## We Believe In Music

North Andover Music Association, Inc.

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NAMA Meeting General Membership Meeting Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 7:00 PM via ZOOM

**Attendees:** Linda Burns, Luke Noble, Kim Hearst, Karen Bussell, Natalie Kissel, Justin Smalley, Janet Manning, Mary Kilpatrick, Michele Nachamie, Helaine Posnick, Kristi Hale, Hope Ralph, Jennifer Kahn, Crissy Lippman

## Secretary's Report

• Notes from the April 13, 2021 meeting were approved.

## Treasurer's Report

- Reserve account = \$20,018
- Additional funds received include \$850 in reimbursement from NAHS for canceled 2020 trip and funds from companies that make donations based upon employee volunteer hours.
- With an operating account budget of \$25,435 and yearly expenses (2020-2021) of \$34,276, we have a shortfall of \$8,841. Approximately \$7,986 will be transferred from reserve to cover expenses (this includes additional monies approved for band jacket purchase [\$4,157] and approved for the percussion instruments purchased [\$3,829] as part of the memorial for Sue Francoeur's parents).
- Unexpected chorus uniform cleaning charge of \$957 from 2020. (*Noted:* returned chorus dresses should be laundered in washing machine rather than dry cleaned.)
- Estimated income from upcoming car wash (May 15, 2021) is \$1000.
- Hopeful that normal fundraising activities can resume next year.
- The treasurer's report was approved.

### **Band Director's Report**

- Band Concert scheduled for Thursday, May 20, 2021, in NAHS courtyard.
- Marching Band sign ups available until May 28, 2021.
- Concert on the Common: August 8, 2021, with Jazz Band and possibly some 2021 seniors.
- NESBA scheduled for Saturday, October 2, 2021.
- Gratitude for chimes purchased for all ensembles as part of the Memorial to Sue Francoeur's parents.
- Music Awards Ceremony scheduled for June in NAHS courtyard; possibly 14<sup>th</sup> or 21<sup>st</sup>.
- Justin will send names for Senior Awards Night to Natalie/Linda for virtual ceremony.
- Color Guard practice at NAMS on Thursdays at 6:00pm.

#### **Old Business**

- Memorial for Sue Francoeur's parents:
  - ❖ Chimes purchased for NAHS ensembles (\$5300), and Bells (\$1000) purchased for NAMS.
  - ❖ Fund donations totaled \$2,240. NAMA board voted via email to approve remaining budget from unspent 2020-2021 equipment budget and reserve account.
  - Plagues will be ordered for the chimes and bells to commemorate the memorial.

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- Scholarship Committee:
  - ❖ Five students will receive NAMA Scholarship awards of \$500 each.
  - ❖ Five students will receive NAMA Community Music Awards of \$200 each.
  - ❖ Linda will create video with NA CAM announcing recipients for virtual NAHS Scholarship Night.
- Request for Continued Advocacy for further updates to DESE guidelines for singing/band practice indoors:
  - ❖ Letter from the Arts for All Coalition included NAMA as a sponsor for updated guidelines; letter sent to MA governor, MMEA, MA Commissioner of Education, MA Board of Education, Secretary of Education.
  - NAMA will continue support via social media.

#### **New Business**

- NAMA Car Wash:
  - ❖ Scheduled for Saturday, May 15, 2021, at NAMS from 10am − 3:30pm.
  - ❖ Volunteers needed for 2 shifts (9:30am − 12:30pm & 12:30pm − 3:45pm).
  - \* Request that *Remind* be sent to Band and Chorus students.
  - \* Noted: chorus students involved in NAHS musical (May 13, 14, 15, 16, 2021) will be unavailable to assist.
- Sweatshirt Fundraiser:
  - Chorus co-presidents Isabel and Maddie have a design for a Music sweatshirt to be sold as a fundraiser for NAMA. They are seeking input approval from Band as well as Color Guard. Sweatshirts could be sold to students, parents, NAMA supporters, and at NESBA.
  - Updates will continue.
- Board positions for 2021-22:
  - ❖ Mary has volunteered to be a co-vice president; Helaine has volunteered to be corresponding secretary.
  - Seeking Publicity Coordinator, Band Co-Uniform Coordinator, Chorus Co-Uniform Coordinator.
  - Slate will be sent out to NAMA membership via email for vote and adopted at June meeting.
- Next meeting will be at 6:30pm on June 8, 2021.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07pm.