

Foxboro Music Association  
Meeting Minutes  
Monday, December 12, 2016

Meeting began at 7:30 PM

Attendees: Lauren Amico, Dale Anderson, Karen Connolly, Jennifer Hoyt, Neil Kaiser, Mr. Massey, Julia Metivier, Nancy Morrison, Rose Morrison, Sheila Peterson, Patti Prevost, Shannon San Bento, Meaghan Scollins, Katherine Udden, Kim Vacheron, Tracey Vasile, Mary Waters, Karen Wheatley

Welcome - Dale Anderson welcomed everyone and thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

Secretary's Report - Jenn Hoyt had emailed the November meeting minutes. They were approved unanimously with no changes. Jenn then spoke about the incorporation process. She started the process by filing with the Massachusetts Secretary of State, and is waiting to make sure that it is approved before going on to the next step.

Treasurer's Report - Meaghan Scollins handed out the financial statements as of December 12, 2016. She said that the \$1600 check for Finish at Fifty finally came and \$350 Yankee Candle check came in, both after the financials were completed. They will be reflected on next month's report. She said that in addition to what's reflected on the statements we still have \$3000 in the passbook account. Meaghan broke out Fundraising into different categories on budget. She said that there are still \$400 in scholarships unclaimed. Per Lauren Amico the deadline to claim the money is 12/31. Lauren will follow up with the recipients. Sponsorships are still coming in. And Dale heard from Michelle Kenney that Meadow farms sales are at \$468.50. Meadow Farms closes on December 15th. Suggestions were given for different store and restaurant fundraisers. The treasurer's report was voted on and unanimously approved.

Steve Massey's Report- Mr. Massey thanked everyone for help with the Thanksgiving Day Football Game. He then said that 28 high school students selected for senior district- the most ever. In addition, 22 (mostly 8th and 9th graders) were selected for junior districts. Two students (Owen Vacheron and Dom Amico) were selected for the all eastern festival in April. Junior Districts will be held in Nauset and Senior Districts will be held in Sharon this year.

Student Reps - Rose Morrison and Mary Waters brought the senior pictures for Neil Kaiser. Mary is still waiting on 3 students in Band and Rose is waiting on 1 in orchestra. Julia Metivier said she's still waiting on quite a few for choir. Julia suggested using the pictures used for Senior buttons if nothing comes in. She will get in touch with Brian Doherty.

Sponsorships - Katherine Udden said that \$12,088 is the current amount of sponsorships received. Katherine and Michelle will set up a table at the concert. Last year total was \$14,121 for the whole year. We have a few new businesses that we've never had before. A few

matching donations are still outstanding. Karen Connolly questioned the expense of sponsorships. Letter cost was \$440 for printing. Neil Kaiser and some other parents said that the quality of the paper matters to people. If they see a letter on standard paper, they are less likely to donate. Karen Wheatley suggested making a list of everything we might want (including printing costs for Sponsorships) and reach out to Partners in Patriotism for another grant. She said to ask for \$5000 or more.

Band Step Up Concert 12/19 - Kim Vacheron, Nancy Morrison, and Shannon San Bento will send in water. Mary Waters said the eboard is organizing food by section.

Elementary school program - Taylor school PTO was going to meet and see about giving more money. Total cost is \$1,950. Schools have said they'd give \$150 each. We are asking for \$100 more from each school. Karen Connolly said that she asked the Burrell school PTO President why the amount they agreed to was so low and was told that the principal only asked for \$150. Once we know if the Taylor school will give more money we will reach out to the other two elementary schools.

Publicity & Volunteers - Sheila Peterson said that there was an article about the holiday concert in the Foxboro Reporter, along with a teaser. We've been getting great placement in the Reporter and 10 articles have already been published this school year on the music program. Sheila will continue to make plug for sponsorships in her articles. Sheila then mentioned that Brian Doherty is continuing to take ensemble pictures. At the December concert he will take concert band and symphony orchestra pictures. In January, we'll start putting them up on our website. Neil Kaiser mentioned that he is having trouble recruiting volunteers. Needs people for 5th grade concert tomorrow and he had to cancel coverage of 8th grade concert. He also still needs help for 8th grade step up concert. He thinks he's OK for Thursday's Holiday concert, but more volunteers are always welcome. Neil mentioned that he filmed the student recital in November. Karen Connolly will put a note on volunteering on the webpage and Tracey Vasile will put the same on the Facebook page. Finally, Neil said that he received a very nice thank you note from the orchestra for the cookout.

Upcoming Events:

5th Grade Chorus & Orchestra Concert 12/13 @ 6:30PM Ahern  
Holiday Concert 12/15 B/C/O @7:00 PM FHS  
8th Grade Step Up Concert Band 12/19 @ 7:00 PM FHS  
Jaycees Caroling on the Common 12/22 @ 6:00PM  
5th Grade Band concert 10:00 AM AMS  
8th Grade Choir Step Up Night 1/9  
7th Grade B/C/O Concert 1/12 6:30 Ahern  
6th Grade B/C/O Concert 1/19 6:30 AMS  
All State Auditions - Shrewsbury HS 1/23  
8th Grade Step Up Concert Orchestra, FHS 7:00 PM 2/6 6:30 AMS  
Winterfest Concert 1/26 7:00 FHS

Jazz Symposium 1/28 FHS all day

Next Meeting January 9th @ 7:30 FHS Band Room

Meeting adjourned at 8:17PM