

**Foxboro Music Association  
Meeting Minutes  
Monday May 11, 2015**

Meeting began at 7:30 pm.

**Attendees:** Dale Andersen, Britny Andersen Pam Atanasoff, Lauren Amico, Joanna Eva, Mimi Foley, Susan Godfrey, Maria Kerrigan, Christine MacDonald, Colleen MacDonald, Mr. Massey, Donna McAuliffe, Morgan Milender, Grace O'Connell, Kathleen O'Neill, Sheila Peterson, David Piper, Meaghan Scollins, Lynne Silver, Kim Vacheron

**Dale** - Welcomed and thanked all for attending and for their continuous help. Multiple volunteer positions are open – notably Scholarship (Teresa and Karen are retiring), Sponsorships (Leila is retiring) and Concessions (Pam and Jackie are retiring). Michelle Gardner will be taking over Concessions. All concession items will be reimbursed and it comes with a BJs membership! It would be nice to have a jazz parent and an orchestra parent.

**Secretary's Report:** Last meeting's minutes approved.

**Treasurer's report:** Meaghan stated that Scholarships all haven't been claimed yet, but that we're in a good position for next year. Report approved.

**Mr. Massey** – Commended all students in the POPS and stated that they did an amazing job. Spoke at length about the drop off in audience attendance for the Jazz Festival over the years. Both Spring and Fall have declined, but more significantly in the Fall. Ten years ago, there would be 500 people in attendance and the group back then was no better than the excellent group now. There are 2 main jazz concerts a year and the profits from Spring jazz fest go to the FMA minus any fees for guest players, such as Sean Jones. Discussions on how to improve attendance included glossy posters, social media, art groups, advertising at the library and neighboring music associations and new papers. Dale suggested getting a PR person next year.

**FMA Web Page** - Continued discussion on the FMA Web Page. FMA is looking for group of 3-4 people that would include a technical web designer and marketing. Much discussion on whether to hire a professional to design and keep up the web page. All concurred that we should contact Paula and that we need a complete revamping/design of the web page. Also, the web page should include video clips from concerts and ads for the next concert.

**Student Reps** – Morgan thanked all the FMA parents for all their support.

**Events** – Thank you to the Gygi family for hosting the cookout. Pot Luck Dinner still needs 4 volunteers. Kim will take care of the flowers for the senior parents.

**Scholarship Readers** – Kim organizing the senior essays. Need 3 readers. Pam, Meaghan and Mimi agreed to read.

**Founder's Day** – Dale said that volunteers were still needed for Founder's Day – 11:30 or 12 to 3pm. The theme this year is "Music in the Air." David Piper acknowledged that the Jazz Choir would do 2 sets of 45 minutes and the band would do a couple sets starting at the FMA tent ending at the stage. Bottles of water will be in a cooler wagon behind the marching band. Pam will donate non chocolate candy to tent.

**Memorial Day** – Band will march with Veterans. Need volunteers to bring 4 cases of water in total.

**Finish at the 50k Road Race** – Dale has not had a response yet to this fundraising event on July 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Upcoming Events :**

- FMA Jazz Fest May 15<sup>th</sup> with Guest Artist Sean Jones – FHS @7pm
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Band, Chorus & Orchestra – AMS May 19<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm
- Chamber Music Concert – FHS May 21<sup>st</sup> @ 7pm
- FMA Potluck Dinner – FHS May 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 6:30pm
- Memorial Day Parade May 25<sup>th</sup> 9am
- 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Orchestra and Chorus, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Band, Junior Jazz – May 28<sup>th</sup> AMS @ 6:30pm
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Band visits the Elementary Schools
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Band, Orchestra and Chorus – June 3<sup>rd</sup> AMS @ 6:30pm
- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Band, Chorus & Orchestra Concert June 4<sup>th</sup> AMS @ 6:30
- FHS Graduation 2pm June 7<sup>th</sup> FHS
- Jaycees Concert on the Common June 11<sup>th</sup> featuring the Jazz Ensemble @7:00pm
- Founder's Day, June 13<sup>th</sup>
- Jazz Improvisation Camp June 22<sup>nd</sup> – June 26<sup>th</sup> AMS

**Next meeting June 8, 7:30pm**

Respectfully submitted, Mimi Foley

Adjourned 8:38pm