



Meeting Minutes  
Monday, September 10, 2018

Meeting Called to Order at 7:03 pm in Foxboro High School Band Room.

**Attendees:** Dale Andersen, Jennifer Hoyt, Meaghan Scollins, Karen Connolly, Cami Tedoldi, Paul Morrison, Nancy Morrison, Dorothy Relyea, Lisa Stowell, Carl Andersen, Amy Spognardi, Patti Prevost, Kristin Hovey, Susan Aubuchon, Katherine Udden, Erin Earnst, Anne Sweeney, Grace Morrison, Antonia Carbone, Meaghan Christie, Molly Flaherty, Madison Corkery, Glenn Daly, Sheila Poku, Greg Calabrese.

**Welcome:** Dale Andersen welcome all and thanked everyone for coming.

**Secretary's Report:** Meaghan Scollins; Motion was made to accept June 2018 minutes

**Treasurer's Report:** Karen Connolly presented an overview of the Budget Report. FY18-19 Budget numbers estimated all income, through Fundraising, grants, etc. Over the summer, the board met to discuss more efficient ways to raise and allocate FMA resources. There were many fundraising efforts last year that did not net a lot of money. Amy Spognardi met with Karen and Meaghan to review Committees income and expenses. As a whole, expenses were \$7,500 more than income. Some was a result of addition opportunities the group voted to include, but there is still areas of improvement. Karen reviewed the income line items in preparation for the October meeting were the Budget would be voted on. With some cost savings that Jen Hoyt will discuss with some of the committee, we hope to finish the year with an almost balanced budget. Karen offered to answer any questions in advance of October's meeting. Carl Andersen questions the workshops showing a profit and Karen and Cami explained that the Summer Workshops are meant to be self-sustaining and do make a small profit most years. This is carried over to as a cushion for years that do not have as high enrollment. Motion made and voted to accept the budget.

**Vice President's Report:** Jenn Hoyt shared a chart of open Chairperson Positions. There are a number of open Chair and Chair shadowing positions available. Three is a need for people to step up and help as there are a number of Senior parents chairing committees this year. At this point in the year, the most urgent need is for Concession and Door coverage. People manning the table usually supply the water and can be reimbursed for the expense. Next is to have someone else take over Apparel Chair. Jen has stepped up to coordinate it this year. We need some to take over the 8<sup>th</sup> grade transition. FMA Audition Scholarships and MICCA needs a co-chair. Founders Day, Grant Writing, Newspaper Articles, Senior Scholarship, Pot Luck Senior Photos all need a chairperson. Reach out to any Board Member if you have any interest in chairing or shadowing any committee. Feel free to suggest to your friends!

**Faculty Report:** Cami Tedoldi introduced herself. She shared that she grew up and went through the program and has a deep appreciation for what the program provides to the student. She sees us as an integral part of the student experience. A few weeks ago, Marching Band was here for a week along with Choir and Orchestra attending various Camps. Drum Majors, Connor

Hoyt and Paul Relyea did an exceptional job. Looking forward to the first home game 9/28. Since the FPS website is getting an overhaul the current website has some outdated info. Cami is trying to get info update but it is difficult due to the website update. Each Ensemble director has email list. Best way to get in touch is through email. The first concert is Voice & Strings on 10/25. The groups have been collaborating with NAHS on a Schubert master work. This is a Collegiate Level Master Work that is being performed 6 weeks into school. Kurt Bacher is Jazz Guest Artist 11/8. Kurt is an outstanding soloist who interacts really well with students. The Family Passes ordered. The Music Staff have all returned from last year. The year is in full swing! Personal level thanks for support and patience last year through the transition. Group loves the Not Your Average Teacher looking for another video!

**Student Reps:** Introduction of Reps – **Band**; Grace Morrison, Molly Flaherty; **Orchestra**; Antonia Carbone and **Chorus**; Meaghan Christie, Maddie Corkery - Student really appreciate all the opportunities the FMA provides. Dale passed along a message to the reps from Neil Kaiser asking them to please start collecting the Senior-Baby Pictures for the slideshow. They are needed by February 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **Committee Reports**

**Apparel** - Jenn Hoyt - Last year had a lot of different option has been scaled back this year and we are only offering Sweatshirts and Sweatpants. Just an FYI, Unisex sizing runs big. Students can turn in the apparel forms to Connor.

**Bottle and Can Drive** – September 15<sup>th</sup> (rain date September 22<sup>nd</sup>) - Due to Liability issues, the decision was made not to let student drive this year. So more parent drivers will be needed. Sign up Genius was used for volunteers and for the items still needed to be donated. Liz Hall is sending out an email to her Neighborhood Facebook group to let people know they can drop in her driveway. Someone suggested that we post in Foxboro Discussion. Lisa Stowell suggested using SignUp Genius to get people to let us know they have Bottle and Cans and we will have a prescheduled route. She will talk with Shannon about possibility of using this next year.

**Concessions** - Sign Up – Needs a Chairperson or two. Dorothy Relyea discussed how Concessions work. She offered to help the first few times to reverse shadow.

**Concert Door** - Sign Up – Needs a Chairperson. It could be the same person for Concessions as neither are very involved.

**Finish at the Fifty** Recap. Check hasn't arrived yet.. Coordinator of race has contacted us looking for payment information so hopefully the check is on its way. Jen said it went well. There were more Ahern students than in previous years.

**Fundraising** - Remaining Inventory Follow-Up – Karen Connolly– Looking to finish up and sell the remaining items from last year's logo fundraising. The first concert Karen will try to sell the PopSockets, Phone Wallet, Stadium Seats and Lanyards. A better job will need to be done in tracking the inventory in the future.

**Hydration** - Football Game Water Sign Up - Susan Aubuchon – Needs people to sign up to bring water to game. She passed around a sign-up sheet for the game; email and phone are needed. Please contact Susan Aubuchon or one of the Board Members if you have interested in helping out.

**Sponsorship** – Katherine Udden – An updated listing of concerts to go on the back side of the letters is needed. The Charis want to send them out early in order to be able to capture the Sponsor with the concert passes. Will be updating the Sponsor form to include a way to identify parents so passes can be sent to non-parents.

**Scholarship Committee** - Michelle Kenney will be continuing but is in need of a co-chair. The Co-Chair isn't needed until the Spring.

**Step-Up Cookout** – FHS B/C/O and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade B/C/O – October 5<sup>th</sup> - Dale Andersen – Carl Andersen – This is a great event to introduce 8<sup>th</sup> graders to the FHS music. Sign-Up Genius will go out to parents for donations. FMA will purchase the meat. In desperate need of barbeque grills to cook the burgers and hotdogs as the family that usually donated the use of their grills have all graduated. Carl asked to be able to rent a large grill for \$125. He suggested this could be offset by asking parents to bring hotdogs. Carl has researched online but doesn't have specific place to get it yet. Even if rental grills are need the total will be within the proposed budget so no vote is necessary. Sign-up Genius will go out soon. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade class is smaller and the date is a no-school day so could be a smaller than usual turn-out. All 8<sup>th</sup> graders were given the info on their syllabus. Time for non-band is 5:15. Band students earlier to attend rehearsal with Marching Band. Details for students in their syllabus.

**Web-Site** - Update - Karen Connolly. Last year FMA website was compromised and had to be taken down. It then needed to be rebuilt from scratch. Karen has just started to fill in the shell. It is a slow process but is happening. She is not sure how much of the historical information she will be able to recapture. Karen is hoping to have it set up so that she could transfer to someone after her. Therefore she used the platform that is the most accessible. On another note, our domain name is still not owned by the FMA. We are trying to get it, but it is a multi-step process that could take some time.. We have a new website hosting company that is in a generic name not a specific person's name.

**Google Groups** – Update of the mailing list is in process. Meaghan Scollins is going to send an email to Cami to send out to the Parents/Guardians to join the group. Please email [foxboroughmusic@gmail.com](mailto:foxboroughmusic@gmail.com) if you would like to receive an invitation to join the Google Group.

**Senior Buttons** - Brian Doherty- Email went out to the Seniors on their Buttons

#### **New Business –**

Publicity - There is an article is coming out in the Foxboro Reporter about Summer Workshops. Pictures and article about Marching Band Camp was in the Sun Chronicle.

Thanksgiving Game – FHS/MHS annual Thanksgiving game is in the running to play at Fenway Park for their Rivalry Week. If selected the game would not be on Thanksgiving Day but could be the night before. As soon as FHS knows, the information will be shared. Awaiting the MIAA decision.

**Next Meeting October 1<sup>th</sup> at 7pm (date change due to holiday).**

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:07pm**

**Respectfully submitted,  
Meaghan Scollins  
Secretary, Foxboro Music Association**