

Foxboro Music Association
Meeting Minutes
October 5, 2009

Meeting began at 7:32 PM

Attendees: Kim Vacheron, Kathy Zerrip, Dale Anderson, Karen Appel, Deb Broderick, , Paula Bishop, Harold & Mary Lou Casson, Maggie Cavanaugh, Jen Chalmers, Tricia Conlon, Ann Crook, Ray Fuller, Steve Massey, Jill McComb, Victoria McComb, Chris Mitchell, Dave Opatka, Ruth Sharpe, Karen Thomas, Christine Thayer, Ellen Wilbar, Karen Wheatley, Maria Kent (guest)

Secretary's report: Accepted as written.

Treasurer's report: Accepted as written. Deb handed out proposed budget figures for 2009 and 2010 and we approved the tentative budget pending changes in income.

Steve's Report: Mr. Massey handed out a list of proposed activities/guest artists/symposiums for the year, 6 of which are already in our budget figures for the year. We agreed that other workshops/residences; etc would be funded based on our financial outlook. We all agreed that these programs enhance the quality of the music programs, provide priceless experiences to the students, and should be funded if at all possible, even if it means reducing scholarship funds for '09-'10.

Student reps: Victoria McComb is the chorus rep.

Maria Kent, RCCA: There will be a concert on December 5 in the HS auditorium with Robin Spielberg, pianist, performing, as a fundraiser for the Cocasset River Recreation area. Volunteers are needed. Kim Vacheron has the signup sheets, and they will be available at the next FMA meeting as well. Bakers are also needed for the bake sale on the same night. Donations may be dropped off at the High School on the afternoon of December 5th. It was mentioned that this is also a great way for students to earn community service hours.

Website Update/Publicity: discussed selling ads on the website as a fundraising vehicle. Paula has also created some "email groups" for communicating to members and friends in order to make our email communication less cumbersome (this secretary in particular thanks you, Paula!)

Guardian Storage: fundraising opportunity offered to us to pick thru their trash cans for 5cent empties after Pats games. We passed on this, but will let other organizations in town know about it in case they want to participate.

Sponsorship: Barry working on letter, (about 1000) to be sent October 2009. Also working on Procedural manual for future use. He'll let us know when he needs envelope stuffing assistance.

Tailgate/Cookout 10/23- thank you to all who have volunteered to donate food and help cook and serve. Set up begins at 3:30 at the Ahern. Kim will send a separate reminder to everyone about grill pickups, etc.

Letter to B/C/O Parents grades 10-12- Harold Casson and Jill McComb will get these out.

Hospitality- Dale Anderson will recruit volunteers for baking /set up/clean up for the Nov 12 Jazz Concert reception at November 9th meeting. Nov 24th Young Artist showcase, FMA provides water, students bring snacks/baked goods.

Wreaths- Discussed options for wreath purchase, possibly piggybacking on to another organization's buy. Please be on the lookout for *musically themed* ornaments and ribbon. Apparently Michaels' has discontinued the ornaments we have purchased in years past.

Holiday wrapping at LL Bean- we are still interested in this fundraising opportunity as long as we can get dates that are meaningful (read: non-pats games!) for optimal tips...

Photo op for Band families 11/6- marching band will be on the field in formation after the Nov 6th game for parents and friends to take photos of the band and their students. A rare opportunity not to be missed!

Upcoming Events:

- **Fall Jazz Concert 11/12**
- **FMA Young Artist Showcase 11/24**

Respectfully submitted, Karen Wheatley, Harold Casson

NEXT MEETING: November 9, 2009 @7:30 PM