

**Foxboro Music Association
Meeting Minutes
September 8, 2008**

Meeting began at 7:30pm

Attendees: Karen Appel, Gini Baumiller, Paula Bishop, Allison Booth, Deb Broderick, Betsy Buckland, Jim & Vanessa Caffin, Marylou Casson, Tricia Conlon, Anne Crook, Bev Crocker, Karen DiCanzio, Deb Green, Cynthia Haward, Hayley Ienello, Patti Ienello, Judi Kackloudis, Chris Lowey, Ruth Mackie, Steve Massey, Leila McNeff, Andres Navedo, Barry Nelson, Aimee Orlando, Lisa Pearson, Seana Peterson, Sheila Peterson, Leanna Pink, Melissa Read, Ruth Sharpe, Holly Steel, Sheila & Paul Stringfellow, Cindy Sullivan, Karen Thomas, Kim Vacheron, Caroline Vines, Kathy Zerrip

Secretary's report: Accepted as written

Treasurer's report: Accepted as written. We need to begin the budgeting process.

Steve's Report: Mr. Massey expressed his appreciation for the FMA. He pointed out that we are doing something special, not just for our own children but for something greater. We are supporting something artistic which will benefit all. Our support shows that we believe that art is very important. He pointed out that the music calendars are available online, also, that the US Army field band will be with us on March 12. Barry Nelson made a motion to increase Steve's discretionary fund to \$1000. This was approved.

Ms. Pink's Report: Ms Pink told us that there are 60 choir members but she is in need of some boys. She said that the choir will be purchasing black choir dresses (\$50/each) to make the group more cohesive.

Student reps: The new FMA reps are: Hayley Ienello (band), Seana Peterson (chorus), and Maggie Cavanaugh and Ashley Donnelly.

Website: The site looks fabulous thanks to Paula Bishop. She is cleaning it up and it will be ready soon. If anyone wants to add anything (pictures, or whatever) just email Paula.

Senior Buttons: Bev Crocker has volunteered again for this. Seniors will have their pictures taken Monday @5:30, and ready for Friday's game. One button will have ribbon decorating it, one will not.

EScrip: This is a simple fundraiser. FMA is registered. When a person registers their account info, then makes a purchase from certain stores/restaurants, a portion will go directly to FMA.

Sweatshirts: Kim has 50 orders for sweatshirts for the band. They will be ready in 2 weeks. She will give the chorus and orchestra order forms. Sweatshirts are \$35 for regular or zip front. String bags are \$10.

Stadium Cushions: This is our first fundraiser of the year. We have ordered 250. They will be sold at the football games for \$20/each. We hope to have Al Sozio say something to promote them at the game.

Cultural Council Grant: Barry Nelson, Paula Bishop and Ruth Mackie have volunteered to look into applying for this grant on behalf of the FMA. The grants are \$50 to \$500 and are awarded for events which impact the community not just the school. (Perhaps Jazz Fest?).

Water/hot chocolate for football games: Charlie Helou and Marina Sweeney volunteered to chair this. Because of the beautiful new uniforms, only water will be offered this season.

Bottle and Can Drive: This is set for September 20. Rain date is September 27.

Tailgate Cookout: Leila & Tricia will coordinate for October 17. Chorus & orchestra will be invited.

Wreath Fundraiser: Tricia Conlon, Dale Anderson & Sheila Stringfellow will chair this. They will be available to preorder at football games, online and at parent/teacher conferences. They cost \$35 each.

Letter of Invitation: Letters already went to freshmen parents, now we will invite the rest of the parents. Tricia C, Sheila S, Chris L, Lisa P, and Cynthia S offered to fold and stuff envelopes. Thanks.

Wrapping at L.L.Bean: Lori Decker is handling this. She has booked some dates for us. Stay Tuned!

Fall Events: Football games (9/12, 10/3, 10/10, 10/17, 10/31, Thanksgiving 11/27)

Fall Jazz Concert – Thurs 11/13

FMA Young Artist Showcase – Tues 11/25

FHS Holiday Concert – Thurs 12/11

Respectfully submitted, Judi Kackloudis

Next meeting Monday October 6, 2008 @ 7:30pm