# **Maynard Music Association Annual Review 2105-2016**

Welcome to the Maynard Music Association for the Fowler School & MHS. We are a volunteer parent association that supports the needs of band and choral students at Fowler and Maynard High School. We focus on recognition, enrichment, scholarship and musical support of students and teachers through our volunteerism, advocacy and annual fundraising.

## **Highlights of the year:**

# May 2015:

• In May 2015, We said goodbye to 18 year veteran band teacher William Brisson. He was serenaded at his final concert by many Maynard students, past and present, as an official tribute to his years of teaching.

#### June 2015:

- Final meeting held
- Collection and inventory of uniforms was completed. All uniforms gathered were cleaned and stored
- Determined that there were not enough uniforms in count and size to outfit the band/chorus for the year ahead and limited funds toward filling the inventory.

## July/August 2015:

- Meetings for the Casino Night Fundraiser
- Attended 8<sup>th</sup> grade cookout night and had Maynard Music Jackets and Sweatshirt samples and forms available.

## September 2015:

- Fowler School's New Band Director;
  - At the beginning of the year, we welcomed Mr. Kevin Kozik as the new director of music at Fowler.
- Organizing for the year ahead:
- Created the budget for both schools with projected expenses
- Organized for the open houses at Fowler and MHS with welcome letter, music calendar, band jacket information, sweatshirt information, request for volunteers and emails, prompts to the website, email contact and Facebook pages
- Started gathering bios of the music staff for the music program
- Began the process of assessing needs for the HS band: focus this year is on replacing marching percussion drums and harnesses.
  - We purchased 3 drums and harnesses plus a marching mace. With the new banner purchased the year before and the new band jackets the year before that, the parades are looking brighter with each purchase.
- CASINO NIGHT Fundraiser Weekly meetings held to collect ads and table sponsors for Casino Night, collect prize basket items, prepare for event night

#### October 2015:

- Casino Night Fundraiser preparations
  - Sold Casino Night Fundraiser vouchers
  - Organized complimentary babysitting with the HS band and chorus members.
  - Continued to make prize baskets, collect ads and table sponsors for Casino Night, completed the Casino Night Program, thank you posters and table sponsor signs
- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Instrument Night at Fowler: supported with arranging for students to demonstrate instruments to parents and 4th grade students and collect emails of 4th grade families
- Supported the HS with Pep band chaperoning during the football season

### November 2015

- Continued preparations for Casino Night: confirmed food, dealers, tables, vouchers, prizes, table sponsors, and advertisements for the program. Completed prize baskets, reserved tables, decoration orders and the like
- Casino Game Night on Saturday, Nov. 7 at the Maynard Elks from 6:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. The
  fundraiser made over \$10,000 this year for the music programs for Fowler School and Maynard
  High School. Over 25 volunteers supported this event in chairperson positions, decorations,
  food prep, prize basket donations and creation
- Supported as volunteer drivers for Senior District auditions for MHS
- Supported with volunteers for marching in the Veteran's day parade
- Solicited for Kudos for the Music Series programs and started formatting the annual program
- Continued discussion about enrichment opportunities.

#### December 2015

- Fitted students in formal attire for the State House holiday performance
- Volunteers accompany the students to the State House performance
- Volunteers chaperoned the Christmas Parade and fitted students with band jackets
- Band members and chorus members perform at the town's annual holiday Sip-n-Stroll
- Volunteers managed the Fowler Candy-Gram fundraiser
- Volunteers supported the winter concerts with programs, volunteer chaperones, complimentary food table
- Volunteers supported the chorus for caroling

### January 2016

- Prepared tax letters for Casino Night donors
- Continued discussions for enrichment, purchases for the music programs
- Volunteered as drivers to Senior District performances, All-States auditions and Junior District auditions

#### February 2016

- MHS Pops Night supported tickets sales and food. Ticket proceeds and monetary donations to support Disney 2017 trip.
- Began organizing for Great East Festival MMA to provide funding to reduce price of tickets and transportation for both MHS and Fowler groups

## March 2016

 Continued organizing for Great East Festival: busses, costs, deposits, finances for t-shirts for Fowler

- Began planning for the return of Jazz Cafe for Fowler and MHS: advertisements, ticket sales, organization
- Provided raffle basket for High School musical, Grease.

# **April 2016**

- Supported Jazz Cafe at MHS for Fowler and MHS Jazz Bands
- Volunteered as drivers to the Junior District practices and performances

## May 2016

- Supported Spring Concerts at Fowler/MHS and Solo & Ensemble Night at MHS
- Volunteered food and table staffing for MHS concert
- Purchased gifts for Directors and accompanists
- Purchase and presentation of 7th grade gift of trumpet themed artwork to Band Director.
- Arranged for students to present gifts
- Promoted summer music camps
- Volunteered as chaperones for Great East Festivals for Fowler and MHS
  - Fowler 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> Band Gold
  - o MHS Band Platinum
  - o MHS Choruses High Gold
- Organized chaperones for the Memorial Day Parade which was cancelled due to weather.
- Hosted and awarded certificates at the Music Banquet for MHS chorus and band
- Made a MMA promotional video for concerts to be shown on the website and school webs
- Awarded 3 scholarships to deserving seniors

## June 2016

- Supported with programs for the 4th grade concert
- Set dates/rooms for next year's meetings at Fowler Library on the first Wed. of each month at 7pm
- Asked for inventories of instruments to be repaired or replaced at both schools for planning purposes
- Purchased and presented plaques to our students who placed at the Senior District performances, All-States auditions, and Junior District auditions.

### July/August 2016

- Met to vote on officers and to change directorship with the State
- Supported with covering uniform collection with protective bags
- Supported with organizing for prepare and addition to plaques
- Supported by arranging for hanging of award plaques at MHS
- Jazz band Fowler/HS perform at the Farmer's Market

# **Maynard Music Association 2016 - 2017**

#### What's New:

## **OUR NEW WEBSITE & FACEBOOK: New website url!!!**

Our goal is to provide the parents, students, and community with information regarding MMA news, fundraising news, MHS and & Fowler Music Program news and updates. Please check back frequently as the site and FB will be updated throughout the year.

Find us on our new website: www.maynardmusic.org for the following information:

- · Calendar of meetings and events
- · Volunteering opportunities
- Private lesson information
- · Music audio of band pieces
- Photo Gallery
- Casino Night Fundraiser and Meeting minutes

Find us on FaceBook and "like" Maynard Music Association for:

- · Fundraiser updates and Casino Night vouchers
- · Photos of our events
- · Updates on trips and festivals
- · Current events in Music
- Articles related/shared about music

### **OUR OFFICERS:**

At the end of 2016, we said goodbye to our Fowler Co-Chair Christine Baritone, our treasurer, Tom Babian, our HS secretary, Maureen DeVos. Our election and change of directorship for 2016-207 is as follows:

### Fowler School:

Co-Chairs: Annemarie Paczkowski

Treasurer: Stephanie Gavin

Secretary: Open

## Maynard High School

Chair: Bonnie Wilson Treasurer: Stephanie Gavin

Secretary: Annemarie Caloggero

## **MEETING DATES - We need your voice!**

We meet the First Wednesday of each month at 7pm in the Fowler Library!

- 7pm Fowler Business
- 7:30 Fowler/HS joint business
- 8:00 High School business