Maynard Music Association: Joint Business

Meeting Minutes

5-3-17

Present: Becca Soloman, Bill Freeman, Kevin Kozik, Jennifer Wayne, Bonnie Wilson, Brenda O’Neil, Annemarie Caloggero, Lisa Grimm, Renee Lilley, Stephanie Gavin,

**MMA Officers:**

Director: Bonnie Wilson

Co-Chair: Open Position

Treasure: Stephanie Gavin

Secretary: Annemarie Caloggero

Minutes from our April Joint Business meeting were approved and are ready to be posted.

Programs…

* Are currently being reprinted in preparation for our spring concerts.

Charitable Giving

* A sizeable donation was made in April from a former Maynard student to be used toward additional scholarships, repair of instruments, and purchase of new instruments.

Scholarships

* To date, of the 24 band/chorus seniors expected to graduate in June, only one student has turned in a scholarship application. MMA is considering extending the deadline in the hopes that more applications will come in.
* MMA talked about what should be done with the monies earmarked for scholarships if there are not enough applicants:
  + One suggestion was to offer scholarships to students that have graduated and are currently in college pursuing a career in music.
  + Another suggestion was to use the money for music lessons for a student who otherwise wouldn’t be able to afford them.

Jazz Jams

* Miss Gately is continuing her weekly Sunday night impromptu jazz café at the Pleasant Café in Maynard from 4-6. All musically inclined students and community members are welcome to participate. Audience is open to all.
* Summer Music Program
  + Miss Gately is running her annual summer music program in July as well as offering individual lessons. For more information she can be contacted at: trishgately@gmailcom
  + Mr. Kozik is also offering summer music lessons. He can be reached at: kkozik@maynard.k12.ma.us

Open Positions for 2017-18

* IMMA Fowler is seeking to fill the following positions:
  + Co-Chairs
  + Secretary
  + Treasure: This position has been filled!
  + Webmaster
* MMA High School is seeking to fill the following positions:
  + Co-Chair
  + Treasure in training
  + Secretary
  + Webmaster

School Committee Meetings

* School Committee meetings are an opportunity for advocacy and promotion. Upcoming School Committee dates:
  + May 11th and 25th
  + June 8th

Budget 2017-18

* Proposed school committee cuts would mean a drastic reduction in musical offerings for students in all 3 schools. Parents can advocate to maintain the current music program by attending town meetings and school committee meetings. Parents and students are urged to advocate for our program through emails, written letters, or phone calls to superintendent of schools, Dr. Robert Geradi, assistant superintendent Jennifer Gaudet, school principals, and school committee members.

Motion: A motion was made to spend up to $100.00 on a plaque inscribed with a dedication to Andrew Sorg, private instrument instructor, to be placed over one of the practice room doors at Fowler. Seconded: Jennifer Wayne

Final Vote: Unanimous

Motion Carried: Yes

Motion: A motion was made to spend up to $600.00 on an acoustic keyboard amplifier for the Fowler Middle School with an additional $100.00 for the purchase of a warranty for this device.

Seconded: Bonnie Wilson

Final Vote: Unanimous

Motion Carried: Yes

Next meeting: TBA