

Maynard Music Association
Joint Meeting Minutes
9/2/20 Zoom meeting

Present: Bonnie Wilson, Stephanie Gavin, Renee Lilley, Marc Cryan, Bill Freeman, Cindy Blanchard, Cherly Lucus, Sara Johnson, Alex Waldren, Wouter Leeuwis, Trish Gately, Kevin Kozik, Annemarie Caloggero

MMA Officers:

Director: Bonnie Wilson

Co-Chair: Renee Lilley

Fowler Treasure: Bill Freeman

High School Treasure: Stephanie Gavin

Fowler Secretary: Marc Cryan

High School Secretary: Annemarie Caloggero

Secretarial Update

- Minutes from August Leadership meetings are ready to be posted on our website.
- The website has been updated to include
 - Monthly MMA meeting schedule
 - School Committee meeting schedule
 - Casino Night updates
 - Annual report
- Officers agreed to add headshots to website
- By-Laws were updated this summer and are ready for the group to review.

Choral Director Update:

- District competitions are on hold due to the pandemic.
- The choral director is in the process of creating remote learning plans for the start of school in mid September. Plans could possibly include
 - a virtual winter concert
 - 1x a month virtual coffee house with MHS musicians and community members
 - Enrichment event with Hofstra University choral group/department
 - Days with the Pros: 4 in the fall and 4 in the spring
- Choral director is working to gather more names for the private instructor list for posting on the MMA website.
- A request was made for a portable voice amplifier. This device would be worn by the choral director and used for outdoor concerts.
 - 3 bids for this item were received prior to the meeting.
 - Members agreed to review the bids after tonight's meeting and vote following everyone's review.

Band Director Update:

- Schedules and planning for the first few weeks of school in both buildings is underway.
- Updates to the private instructor list may include the addition of a saxophone teacher.
- Plans are underway for distributing 4th grade instruments at the September 11th orientation.
- MMA is still in need of 4th/5th grade email lists.
- Tri-M activities will start when school starts.
- Marching band/pep band clubs are a possibility at the high school for this school year.
- Band director anticipates that he will need masks for musicians if the district allows outdoor performances.

Jazz/Wind Director Update:

- Virtual this fall and winter to include small and large groups with more of a focus on instruction instead of performance with an October start.
- Virtual AVSM was a success!
- Director anticipates the need for masks in the weeks ahead if in person lessons/practice/performance are allowable.
- Director is interested in working with the other music directors and MMA to plan another enrichment activity with the master.

Budget: Review line items for 2020-2021

- Based on a conversation with Charlie Murphy, his financial contributions to our organization will remain the same for the 20/21 school year.
- Fowler working balance \$14,583.00
- HS working balance \$14,846.67

Fowler Chair & High School Chair

- Updates on MHS
 - HS is interested in working with MMA to support enrichment
- MMA's website isn't linked to the district's website. MMA secretary will inquire about this.
- Welcome back letter from MMA is in draft form and will be ready for the start of school.

Casino Game Night Update

- Next meeting Sept 21st
- A donate button has been set up on our website.
- Information about this years casino night will go out in October for a short November drive.

Next meeting: Wednesday, October 7, 2020, at 7 pm via Zoom (See link on the webpage prior to the meeting)

Motion: An online motion was made to purchase the SHIDU Portable and Rechargeable Bluetooth Voice Amplifier 18W with wired microphone headset for the MHS music program for \$68.99 plus a carrying case for \$14.99 from Amazon. Tax = \$5.25 Total \$89.23

Second: Wouter Leeuwis

Final Vote: 8/8 in favor

Motion Carried: Yes