

**Maynard Music Association
Meeting Minutes
February 1, 2023
7:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.**

Present: Renee Lilly, Sarah Johnson, Cheryl Lucas, Rachel Leeuwis, Matthew Truch, Melissa Sommer, Clayton DeWalt, Kevin Kozik, Julie Wisniewski

MMA Officers:

Chairpersons: Cheryl Lucas & Rachel Leeuwis

Fowler Chair: Renee Lilley

Treasurer: Matthew Truch

Secretary: Sarah Johnson

Webmaster: Wouter Leeuwis

Chairs Updates:

- Minutes from the January 4 meeting were voted on and are ready to be posted on our website.
- T-shirts for the Disney trip are being ordered, and MMA has committed to covering the expense. These shirts will be worn while the students and chaperones are traveling to and from Florida. Other Disney updates were given as the itinerary is being finalized now that the workshops and performances are scheduled.
- Julie Wisniewski introduced herself as a Fowler parent to a 7th grader and expressed interest in helping MMA, including the scholarship committee.
- MMA plans to invite the superintendent and school principals to the BT ALC concert on Feb. 15. MMA may schedule a meeting with the superintendent separately at a future date to talk about the organization.
- A committee will need to form to plan the Senior Banquet and other Class of 2023 activities.
- All MMA officers are paying attention to the ongoing discussion concerning the school budget.
- Discussion centered around ideas for engaging Fowler parents/community. Ideas included mentoring and an instrument cleaning night run by older students where families can learn about supporting music at home and younger students could learn from older students. The Fowler fine arts night presents another opportunity as the Chorus may perform that night.

Treasurer update:

- The main MMA account has a working balance of \$41,580; Tri-M has \$223; Scholarship has \$9,218, and Trip account has \$2,083.
- Since the MMA is a 501c3 Tax Exempt organization, the MA Tax Exempt certificate (ST-2 Form) should be used whenever possible when making any purchases for MMA.
- Ukuleles have been ordered for Fowler Chorus and should arrive soon.
- High School Chorus' spring performance will likely be May 18.

Prepared and submitted by Sarah Johnson

- A student-run performance will feature pop music, likely in April, rather than Pops Night this year.

Jazz Band Director updates:

- A guitar amp and possibly a bass amp would be helpful for the band. Some more research is needed to make a formal bid.
- For the February 8 BT ALC clinic with MHS and Fowler jazz bands, no assistance was needed from MMA. At the February 15 concert, some students were scheduled to help and earn service points. MMA offered to provide support as needed.

Band Director updates:

- A previously approved bid to repair two French horns with David French will also be enough to cover the repair of an MHS student loaner bass clarinet.
- A list of bids totalling \$1,912.95 was requested to cover the following:
 - 2 grand piano covers (\$310-\$318)
 - 2 snare drum stands, for MHS and Fowler
 - Concert band/orchestral bells (\$684-\$692) for both schools (price includes case and stand)
- Performance dates for the rest of the year are being finalized, with May 3 likely focused on the Jazz Bands, and Wind Ensemble that was initially scheduled for that night moving to the May 25 Concert Band date. The band will perform at the May 29 Memorial Day parade or ceremony, a short performance at Senior Awards Night on June 7, and at graduation.
- The Fowler band concert (grades 6-8) is currently planned for May 31, and they will participate at Great East on June 2. Fowler Chorus (4-5) will perform the same night as the 5th grade band on June 6 (Elementary Chorus and Band Concert). Fourth graders will have smaller shows the week after.

Secretary updates:

- Alyssia Berghuas, Fowler parent, will chair the MMA Scholarship Committee this year.

Webmaster updates:

- MMA now has more Google storage.
- It is now easier to view photos and videos, which are organized by date and name of the event.

Closed Session: Review Bids & Voting

Motion: A motion was made to approve up to \$2,000 for the bid requests submitted by the Band Director.

Final vote: 5/5

Motion carried: Yes