

Maynard Music Association
Meeting Minutes
May 13, 2026
7:15 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

Present: Cheryl Lucas, Pam Sweeney, Sarah Johnson, Rachel Leeuwis, Matthew Truch, Melissa Caless, Samantha Schulz, Kevin Kozik, Kevin Murphy

MMA Officers:

MHS Chairpersons: Cheryl Lucas & Pam Sweeney
Fowler Chairpersons: Rachel Leeuwis & Melissa Caless
Treasurer: Matthew Truch
Secretary: Sarah Johnson
Webmaster: Wouter Leeuwis

Chair updates:

- April minutes have been approved and can be posted.
- Officers signed up to help at upcoming events.
- Senior celebratory event planning is on schedule. MMA is using a new engraver in Ashland as the one in Stow retired. Wouter will present the scholarships during Senior Awards night.
- The final meeting of the school year will include votes for new officers, review of the onboarding guide, and the start of reviewing bylaws, as required biennially. Three terms are expiring: Cheryl's, Matt's, and Rachel's. Cheryl's student is graduating. Rachel will likely run for one term as Fowler Co-Chair.
- Mr. Murphy will continue as the Choral Director next year. Advocacy continues to be needed for the future funding of this role.

Band Director updates:

- Details for MMA support at upcoming events were discussed.
- Six Flags t-shirts will need to be distributed before the day of the trip. Two buses were ordered, and a parent will need to drive chaperones.
- The June 2nd Fowler concert will need sensory kits at the high school.
- For the MHS Band and Chorus concerts, flowers will be supplied by MMA for distribution to seniors.
- MHS will lend the drum kit to the Maynard JazzFest.
- Fowler instrument-specific clinics, funded by MMA, are in the planning stages for June.
- Two school clarinets need repair; quotes are being pursued.
- A clinic for the MHS Band will occur after school.

MHS Choral Director updates:

- The spring concert will last about an hour, between the Chorus and A Cappella.
- The MHS Chorus enjoyed their field trip to Harvard to see the Kuumba Singers.

Fowler Choral Director updates:

- A request for left-handed guitars was finalized.
- The visit from Jonathan Richter, UMass Lowell's Director of Choral Activities, was productive and beneficial for the students to hear feedback beyond their teacher.

Disney trip updates:

- The MHS Band and Chorus have been formally selected to perform at Disney Springs and attend workshops in 2027.
- Fundraising efforts are underway; sponsorship appeal letters have been sent out and a pizza night is planned for June 9th. Families are contributing recipes to the cookbook. A karaoke night may occur on June 22.

Meeting vote:

A motion was made to approve two left-handed guitars for the Fowler music program of two different sizes, for a total of \$300.

Final vote: 6/6

Motion carries: Yes

Pre-meeting online vote:

A motion was made for MMA supplement bus transportation to Six Flags plus the clinicians, t-shirts, and chaperone tickets, at an approximate total of \$5,775.

Final vote: 7/7

Motion carries: Yes

Post-meeting online vote:

A motion was made to fund a trumpet player and educator Jerry Sabatini to do a clinic with the MHS Jazz Band on June 10 for \$200.

Final vote: 5/5

Motion carries: Yes