

NORTH HUNTERDON MUSIC ASSOCIATION Minutes

April 10, 2018

Present: 10

Last Name	First Name
Adams	Sue
Angeline	Vincent
Fasciano	Jennifer
Gaidos	Nancy
Garvey	Linda
McDermott	Dana
Parliyan	Nisim
Rothstein	Claire
Rys	Connie
Slack	Jackie

Motion to open meeting made by Connie at 7:01 p.m.; seconded by Sue. Review of March 2018 minutes with Connie motioning to accept and Dana seconding the motion.

Faculty Report – Mr. Angeline

- 16th Annual Prism concert went well, even though we lost dress rehearsal evening (done during the school day). Audience continues to shrink, maybe due to weather. 900 tickets sold several years ago, now down to 480. Future of this concert still undetermined.
- Contract for new uniforms has been signed, returning students have been sized, and we have been told unofficially we may recycle or sell old uniforms as a potential fundraiser. New ones on track for fall; hoping for September 1, although possibly later.
- Media Center re-opened yesterday and several solo and ensembles from Prism concert performed during the grand re-opening. Also, 16 marching band members traveled to Bethlehem Township Thomas B. Conley Elementary school, where music program is in need of help and a new instrumental teacher has been hired. Students did a great job, talked about their instruments, and generated a lot of interest. Group questioned if this could be done at other sending elementary schools in the district? Professional company is usually called in to do this, as HS students can't be pulled from school so often. Today, several Cabaret

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performers came to faculty meeting to perform. May will be busy with concerts.

- Questions: (Connie) When will we know if we need to have old uniforms dry cleaned? Cost/purchase order has already been approved, so please call Plaza Cleaners to come and get them. No rush.
(Nancy) How many music students in the department right now?
200 – 230

Corresponding Secretary Report – Sue Adams

- Sent thank yous to Linda and Jamie. Will send to Shop Rite and Regal Cinema this week.

Treasurer's Report – Jen Fasciano

- Updates: Spent only \$50 total on tech tips for Prism concert, \$30 for Phil and \$20 for one other helper. Fundraising updated with concessions from Musical.
- **TOTAL ACCOUNTS BALANCE** as of April 10, 2018:
Checking Account: \$6,773.29
Gaming Account: \$3,530.63
Savings Account: \$4,248.45
Total: \$14,552.37

Fundraising Report – Connie Rys

- Spring Flower Sale
Discussed whether to do this year during spring concerts and decided yes! Hanging baskets were beautiful and we received many compliments, especially about how long they lasted. Didn't do pre-orders last year, as most people like to look at flowers before buying. Decided to push advertising instead and get people interested ahead of time. Also had

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herbs last year but no one bought them. Decided to do only flowers this year, \$20 one size.

- Bucket Donation Days

Discussed whether we need to do one this year and decided we really didn't need to and that we will do one in the fall.

- Stadium Seat Cushions

Have under 15 left. We paid \$617 for 100, which includes shipping and taxes. Sold for \$8. Sponsorships brought in \$600. Discussed whether we should try to get the sponsors again and how many we should reorder. Decided to get new sponsors and reorder for the 2018/2019 season. Will shoot for 200 and maybe get some discount pricing. We should revise the letter going forward and tell sponsors how many exposures they will be getting. Connie will handle.

Membership Report – Nancy Gaidos

- Nothing to report

Updates and Information – Connie Rys

- Volunteer HIB Training: <http://goo.gl/forms/0YiEbxF0W6>

Open/New Business – Connie Rys

- Committee and Chairperson Positions for 2018/19

OPEN: Vice President, Banquets, Fundraising, and Applebee's. Claire will always help out as VP, although Jen thinks she may have a new VP.

FILLED: President – Jen Fasciano, Treasurer – Connie Rys, Uniforms – Connie Rys, Membership – Alexa Parliyan. Sue will continue as Corresponding Secretary, Dana will continue as Recording Secretary, Linda has her positions filled. Connie will reach out to the membership again for what's left.

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- Spring Cabaret: April 27 – 29
 - Connie received email from Mrs. Cudworth stating she doesn't need help with ticket sales this year.
 - Concession Volunteers
Need to do a sign-up sheet, although Nancy has done it by herself in the past. Nancy will send out an email saying she would love to show someone else how to do it this year. Will need three cases of water.
- Gary Gilbert Scholarship Applications
Connie will touch base with other faculty, but nothing has been turned in yet. Reminder will be sent out this weekend. Applications due April 30.
- End-of-Year Custodial Gifts
Nancy usually puts something together. Linda already gives them stuff throughout the year with a thank you card from NHMA. Leah bakes cookies for them. Nancy has great idea for this year with a spending cap of \$200.

Recent Events – Connie Rys

- Clinton St. Patrick's Day Parade – Sunday, March 11
- Prism Concert – Thursday, March 22
Nancy put together some numbers (See Handout). We have to control the ticket sales and increase sponsorship, but still not sustainable if current trend continues.
(Jen) Kids will be disappointed if this concert is discontinued
(Sue) Maybe take a survey with membership and see how we feel as a group?

Upcoming Events – Connie Rys

- NJ All-State Choir Auditions – April 14 and 21
- Spring Theater Production – April 27 - 29
A Scenes & Songs Cabaret
- Spring Concerts I & II – May 10 and 17
- Music Department Awards Banquet – May 23

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- Flemington Memorial Day Parade – May 27

Next Meeting: May 8, 2018

7:00 pm, Choir Room (Room 131)

Motion to close meeting made by Connie Rys at 8:31 p.m.; seconded by Nancy.
Minutes prepared by: Dana McDermott