

## **NORTH HUNTERDON MUSIC ASSOCIATION Minutes**

**November 12, 2013**

**Present:** Nancy Gaidos, Suzanne Adams, Claire Rothstein, Sharon Witkowski, Cathy Edelsberg, Kim Murphy, Michelle & Ron Smith, Patricia Fitzgerald, Lynne Thompson, Anne Zenerovitz, Sharon Tanzler

Meeting called to order by Nancy Gaidos at 7:05 PM

Motion to approve October 2013 minutes made by Nancy Gaidos, seconded by Lynne Thompson.

**Faculty Representation:** Vincent Angeline

10/11- 7/8<sup>th</sup> grade night was a great day. All schools attended, but one. 45-50 students attended.

Columbus Day Parade a great experience.

Hunterdon Developmental Center Parade on 10/25 was a special event appreciated by all. Nancy Gaidos, who volunteered her time that day, agrees it was a very touching event.

11/1 was Senior Recognition Night – another special event which honored senior band members and their parents.

We are gearing up for final football game on 11/15.

Auditions for winter musical, “Damn Yankees”; Pit Orchestra is forming

2 holiday concerts in December

Marching Band Banquet set for 12/4

Clinton Holiday Parade set for 12/6

Band Council and Vince went to dinner at the Country Griddle and racked up quite a bill resulting in a good 10% donation return for the NHMA.

On 11/7, took 50 students into NYC to see “Wicked” on Broadway. Alumni, Christy Nye, a former 4 year choir member, is an assistant stage manager for “Wicked” and brought the students up to the stage after the show and spoke with them, along with some of the lead performers.

Region Band and Choir auditions are in December.

Concert I will be Freshman Choir, Chamber Choir, Strings, Jazz Ensemble

Concert II will be Show Choir, Concert Choir, Madrigals and Band

Scholarship Concert – not prepared to go ahead with this concert at this time. Don’t want to jeopardize preparation for Prism Concert.

Prism Lighting – no movement on it yet.

Applebee's Fundraiser – Student's performing is one aspect, getting people to come and pay is another part of it. Programs will be handed out at concerts and banquet mentioning fundraiser.

By unanimous vote, there will be no NHMA meeting next month.

Day after Thanksgiving, brass players will be performing in front of the Towne Restaurant in Clinton at 11 AM as part of the Dickens Day events.

#### **Corresponding Secretary Report – Sharon Tanzler**

All thank you notes have been sent out that needed to go out.

Kim Murphy suggested that a thank you be sent to Jeff Gaidos, Nancy's husband, who won last Friday's 50/50 raffle. He generously donated his winnings back to the NHMA.

#### **Treasurer's Report - Patricia Fitzgerald**

TOTAL INCOME: \$2,491.20 (reference report dated 10/9/13-11/12/13)

TOTAL EXPENSES: \$1,424.53 (reference report dated 10/9/13-11/12/13)

Checking account balance as of 11/10/13: \$4,578.66

Savings account balance as of 11/10/13: \$10,153.38

#### **Membership - Faith Truppi (absent)**

Lynne Thompson reported there are 133 paid members. Record numbers so far.

#### **Fundraising Report – Sharon Witkowski**

Two successful 50/50s: one for \$286.00 and one for \$645.00

Stadium seats have already paid for themselves; made \$111 so far.

Homecoming Coat Check Profit - \$81.00

Applebee's date is confirmed for 12/21. Sharon Witkowski stated that her "Santa" may not be able to make the fundraiser in time. Check with Faith Truppi and Nancy Gaidos who have possible Santas for the event.

Patricia Fitzgerald suggested that since there will not be a scholarship concert in January, that we should be thinking about a big fundraiser to replace that one. Discussed by members and felt a replacement fundraiser was not necessary and that we are okay for this year budget wise.

Claire Rothstein mentioned that Wendy Worth, owner of the Dance Academy in Flemington, approached her about being open to the NHMA hosting a bake sale and/or a 50/50 (a portion of which

would come to NHMA), at her studio's performance on Saturday, 12/14. Time would be late afternoon, early evening. Claire Rothstein will obtain more info and forward same to Sharon Witkowski.

#### **Updates and Information:**

Per Nancy - NHMA has a table at every home football game where we are making our presence known. People actually seek us out. Kudos to Patricia Fitzgerald for securing our prime spot at the games.

#### **Recent Events:**

Mr. Andrews and Mrs. Meo appreciated the ticket sales help they had for the fall play.

Marching Band received an "Excellent" rating at the Phillipsburg Band Festival last month.

#### **Open/New Business:**

Fall newsletter – Per Lynne Thompson IT IS DONE☺ and it is still fall! It is in Word format now and can be picked up by anyone in the future. Nancy Gaidos will send to all members tomorrow.

Water bottles from Silver Oaks – Per Nancy, we are good to go. Estimate of our potential need given to Tara L., President of Boosters.

Calendar Alerts – Applebee's to go out, as well as Band Banquet and the 2 holiday concerts.

College Workshop – refreshments will be available. Nancy Gaidos and Cathy Edelsberg will set up and Sharon Tanzler will run stand.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

Marching Band Banquet (Cathy Edelsberg) – E-mails and e-vites are out to all faculty and families. Not doing on-line payment. We will be using Pizza Como for dinner and Costco for cakes and rolls.

Celebration Station will provide balloons for tables and Michelle Smith, Cathy's planning partner, will make "Wicked" witch hats for tables. Nancy Gaidos will make lollipops, as well as some type of "Wicked" wall décor. Cathy thanks everyone who signed up to volunteer that night – all slots filled.

Winter Concerts – Sharon Tanzler to take over Hospitality for these events.

#### **Open Forum/Roundtable:**

Nancy Gaidos to approach Mr. Angeline and possibly Mr. Bergacs regarding lighting on the loading dock.

Motion to close meeting made by Nancy Gaidos at 8:08PM, seconded by Sharon Witkowski

Minutes prepared by: Kim Murphy