

NORTH HUNTERDON MUSIC ASSOCIATION Minutes

March 9, 2021

Note: This meeting was conducted through Zoom

Present: 19

Last Name	First Name
Angeline	Vincent
Dieterman	Diane
Fasciano	Jen
Gartlgruber	Margaret
Holk	Melissa
Holliday	Gina
Hopta	Charlie
James	Stacy-Ann
Komarek	Joe
Lipinski	Laura
McCormack	Jen
McDermott	Dana
McGrew	Dawn
Parliyan	Alexa
Patuto	Jen
Shustack	Anna
Smith	Karen
Wallace	Susan
Walsh	Ryan

Motion to open meeting at 7:02 p.m. made by Susan. Motion to approve February meeting minutes made by Karen; seconded by Jen McC. Motion passed.

Faculty Report – Charlie Hopta

- Mr. Steven Dodruff, replacement for Mrs. Cudworth while she is on maternity leave, will be joining us next month. We have started to finalize the last performances for this year, which will be virtual. The winter musical is over, and we are moving on to the spring cabaret with the

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theatre organization. This will be performed via live stream in mid-May. We will not be using professional equipment this time, so we are as yet unsure of how it will play out.

Faculty Report – Vince Angeline

- Mrs. Cudworth had a baby girl yesterday, Ellis Danielle Cudworth. Congratulations!!
- Winter Musical was the highlight of this year! It was a unique and unforgettable experience for all involved. The challenge was to put something of high quality together in a much shorter period of time than we normally would have. We had two separate casts and we were able to rehearse with live students. We performed twice on recording days and twice on performance days. The production company did fantastic work. To have two live performances with audiences in the theater was more than we had ever hoped for this year.
- We are now working on other virtual performances to release soon. There will be a live performance concert at the beginning of June (2,3,4) outside on Singley Field. We will have a dress rehearsal night, performance date, and a rain date. At this point, the audience will be parents. Hopefully we can have a larger audience by June if crowd size restrictions are adjusted. Spacing the students and other safety protocols will be followed.
- Spring Banquet and Senior Awards: we would like to combine and do this at the final concert. The awards will be presented live in front of all students and parents, just without dinner.
- End of year events: no St. Patrick's Day parade, no spring concerts in May, probably no Memorial Day parade in Flemington.
- Questions:
 - Joe: Will all music groups perform at the final concert? **Yes!**
 - Susan: Are the new cohorts working well? **Yes.** It's nice to have more students in school, although we'd love to have them all back! We did have to make some adjustments in the seating.
 - Alexa: Have you thought about Master Class options? Newport Jazz \$ needs to be spent! **Nothing concrete yet.** We can roll the money into next year.

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- Joe: Will you need money for microphones for the outdoor concert?
Joe will send Vince the name of the company he uses.
- Margaret: Could we use \$ for tents for the concert? It might be worth pricing it out, maybe as a backup plan.
- Margaret: Thank you to all faculty for the awesome work on the musical! Unfortunately, we can't get a recording of it because of licensing.

Corresponding Secretary Report – Amy Belica

- Please remind her to send Mrs. Cudworth a baby gift from us.

Treasurer Report – Alexa Parliyan

- We have four more memberships in PayPal.
- Below expenses, about our fundraising goals.
- **TOTAL ACCOUNTS BALANCE** as of March 1, 2021:

		<u>Set Asides</u>	
Checking	\$ 7,010.95	Newport Jazz Fest	\$ 1,222.20
PayPal	0.00	Silver Oak (Prism)	500.00
Gaming	820.44	Hunterdon Music (Prism)	250.00
Total	\$ 7,831.39		\$1,972.20

Total Actual Balance: \$ 5,859.19

Fundraising Report – Dawn McGrew

- FlowerPower Sale
Not finished until May – please share with friends and family, spread it far and wide. We are now up to \$502.00!

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- Pampered Chef
Tracy will be setting up the website for us. We will start March 31, right before spring break and continue through to the end of April in a push to give products as gifts for Mother's Day. Will deliver orders within a week of order being received. We get 15-18% of what we sell.
- AmazonSmile
People are remembering to do it. Keep up the good work!

Membership Report – Jen Fasciano

- We are up to 82 members. Jen tracked down two unpaid, only one left.
- Reached out to 14 alumni parents for alumni email lists. Got five positive responses. Also sent them the fundraiser info. The Membership chairperson will hold these lists and send out the info going forward. Hopefully the lists will continue to grow. NHMA google site can be shared.

Open/New Business/Upcoming Events – Susan Wallace

- Winter/Spring Newsletter
Laura has a lot of great pictures of the musical, but is still waiting on some info to add in. Will put out another one in late spring, maybe after the final concert in June. Susan will send Laura her blurb for the winter issue.
- Senior Banquet
Sounds like Mr. A. has this planned and there won't be a separate event. Jen P has requested a list of seniors so we can do the yard signs for them. Will order 50 signs. \$190 for signs, and maybe \$30-\$40 for the stakes to put them in the ground. Can we do a banquet by ourselves? We can throw something together quickly. It will be just us, no faculty, just kids and us. 47 total seniors this year, which is more than last year.
- Prism Concert 2022
Alexa will be gone, so do we need to add this as a position? Should identify a chairperson by November. We want to make sure that this is

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covered. Alexa does have everything written down for the next person. Ideally two people would be best. Hardest part is getting the sponsors.

- Committee/Chairperson Positions Open for 2021/2022
 - Vice President
 - Treasurer
 - Marching Band Equipment Coordinator
Joe K will take this on. Thank you, Joe! Jen P has Jeffrey's binder, so she will get it to Joe. Jen McC will help out with Band Camp.
 - Hospitality Chair
Stacy-Ann is willing to go again for another year. Thank you, Stacy-Ann!
 - Raffle Chair
Colene Belli. Susan will reach out to confirm.
 - Add new chair position for Marching Band Football Dinners
Karen will give guidance.
 - Concessions Chair (Musical and Cabaret)
Jen Molzen did it previously and would share what she did. Good profit for us.
 - Prism Concert Chair
- Gary Gilbert Scholarship Applications
Will send applications (paper form) out soon. These will be due to faculty by April 30. Should we extend the deadline? We did not offer these last year. We could just have a Google form emailed directly to Susan. Should also extend the deadline until the end of May. Discussion to be continued at April meeting.

Recent Events – Susan Wallace

- Winter Musical – You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown!
Vince did a terrific job and it was so nice to see all the kids!

Upcoming Events

- Spring Concert

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- Early June and outside on Singley Field
- Senior Banquet
None
- Cabaret
NHMA won't have any role for this year.

Open Forum/Roundtable

- Diane: William Paterson University is having a LIVE Musical Student-For-The-Day program on April 15, maybe another one later in the summer as well. Also, Mason Groves at Rutgers is doing a free virtual sample music lesson.

Motion to close meeting made by Susan at 8:25 p.m.; seconded by Dana.
Minutes prepared by: Dana McDermott

Next Meeting: **April 13, 2021**
 Via Zoom at 7:00 PM