

## Westborough Fine Arts Education Association

Minutes March 14, 2023 7:00 PM, Zoom Meeting

Members Present: Jessica Crandall, Lisa Chace, Jen Niece, Beth Kinsky, Kathy Swanson, Chris Martin, Michelle French, Anna Leduc, KIm Keogh

### Executive Board

**Co-Presidents-** Lisa Chace and Jess Crandall

**Vice President-** Deb Cushman

**Treasurer-** Jennifer Niece

Report:

February Income:

\$600 in Business Sponsors (Ad Book) from 1 Orchestra package (Andrew Abu Realtors) and 1

Balcony package (Cox Tutoring)

\$40 for a Seat of Recognition

\$22.27 from Amazon Smile

\$30.34 in Interest

February Expenses:

\$1,150 for Clinicians that had been previously approved:

\$300 to Lindsay Bronnenkant for WHS Symphonic and Concert Bands on 3/1 & 3/17

\$150 to Susan Memoli for GMS Orchestra on 3/7

\$300 to Adam Boyles for WHS Concert and Chamber Orchestras on 3/10 & 3/15

\$400 to Michele Adams for WHS Choirs on 2/16 & 3/16

\$305.82 from Wish List funds for Amy Crossin to purchase Gelli Printing Plates for Mill Pond

\$5.76 in PayPal fees

Project Funds Available:

\$1,194 for Wish List items

\$5,005 for larger Projects (\$3,000 approved for Mill Pond summer band camp not yet paid)

\$2,050 available for Clinicians (\$100 per ensemble + \$50/day for food & travel)

No questions.

**Secretary-** Kathy Swanson Motion by Jen Niece to approve. Seconded by Lisa Chace approved.

- Approve February 14, 2023 minutes

**Director of Fine Arts-** Chris Martin

- Scholarship Update -Chris met with Pauline and Ken Sciarrappa. It was a wonderful meeting and they are in support of the Corinne Sciarappa Memorial Scholarship. The recipient would have a strong connection to STEM and/or Fine Arts Depts and embrace school culture with diversity or sexual diversity. Luke, Corrine's brother, would like to write a bio to accompany the scholarship check. Blurb will be added to the web-site and the newsletter about the scholarship.
- Grant request -Doug Dufresne, Gibbons Middle School Band \$250 -in preparation of MICCA, to work with band and jazz band. Michale Keogh, president of MICCA. Jess Crandall made a motion to approve the funding. Michelle French seconded it. It was approved.
- All State practice -11 students went on Friday- AllState Saturday canceled from snow. It's disappointing. They are trying to make it up.
- Wednesday trip to A.R.T was canceled due to the content of the show.

### General Business

- Newsletter - Beth/Jeanie; update on next issues 4/14, 5/19

Any ideas let Beth and Jeanie know. MICCA pictures will be welcomed. Please forward pictures to them . Guys and Dolls poster. Cast thing or bios. Or interviews. Ask students for snippets.

Choreographer

- MICCA Mar 31-Apr 2 - Kim/Kathy; status and help still needed -Update - Closet is cleaned and

inventoried. We definitely need more push out for volunteers and concessions. A lot of help is needed. Please share and reshare. Preview concert is on the 22nd and 23rd. For the choral preview concert, Steve Maschirelli will be there to assist and train the people. Signage for buses, areas, etc. are needed. QR code to sign-up genius is a good idea. Identifying people to take over Chair positions to shadow to over for Kim next year is a good idea.

- Looking to identify someone to shadow Jen Niece as treasurer . She has one more year and next year is a good year to shadow her.
- Pops Night - May 17 invitation/flier draft and send dates; food donations
- Senior Banquet May 23 - Jeannie Chong, Jen Niece and Kathy Swanson table til next time.
- Uniform Committee - Lisa/Jess; next steps - Lisa proposed getting together with a few students, ensemble directors, and meet. Then maybe do a survey to start. Chris will organize a meeting.

### **Upcoming Fine Arts Events**

- March 21: StringFest: 7 pm
- March 22: WHS Band "Preview" Concert 7pm
- March 23: WHS Choir Preview" Concert 7pm
- March 24/25: GMS Musica- High School Musical the Musical: 6 pm and 2pm
- March 31 - April 2 - MICCA Festival
- April 7 Swing into Spring
- April 28-29 - WHS Spring Musical *Guys & Dolls*

**Reminders** - Town Meeting - March 25 (local elections today!)

**Adjournment Lisa proposed adjournment. Kathy seconded.** Next meeting - April 11, 2023  
*Voting privileges- one vote per paid member*