

WFAEA Minutes April 9, 2024 Zoom Meeting

Voting privileges- one vote per paid member; membership forms available online

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by Lisa Chace

Welcome

Present Lisa Chace, Jessica Crandall, Jen Niece, Kathy Swanson, Chris Martin, Kim Keough, Laura Fairbanks, Eric Hammond, Jeannie Chong

Executive Board Reports

President- Lisa Chace

Vice President- Jessica Crandall

Treasurer- Jen Niece

March Income:

\$750 in Business Sponsors (3 new; total income \$4,550, offset by \$214 expenses, net \$4,336, achieving the budgeted amount of \$4,000)

No new members in March (22 current members and dues of \$2,800, \$200 short of budgeted amount of \$3,000 – shortage made up by the business sponsor surplus)

\$82.19 in Interest

March Expenses:

\$500 for Sound & Projection Support for WHS auditorium from Projects

\$200 donation to Project Graduation from Outreach: Community Programs

\$17 for 1 month of Marq software for newsletter (Admin. Expense)

\$10.94 in PayPal fees

Project Funds Available:

\$330 for Wish List items

\$862.55 for larger Projects

All music groups have requested clinician money (\$250 approved for GMS festival not yet paid) .

There are clinician funds available for Art (\$450) and Theater (\$300).

Wix Software for website is renewing after 2 years. \$740 was charged to pay pal. Its a little more than 2 years ago.

Anya (Drum Major) asked about drum major funds. \$350 is allocated already because she didn't use it for her summer camp last year.

Seat of recognition price is reflected on the website and will be in the newsletter.

Scholarship link is working.

Ticket price for Pops Night will need to be put on website once the price is set.

Secretary- Kathy Swanson

- Approved March 12, 2024 meeting minutes All in Favor approved

Director of Fine Arts Report- Chris Martin

- Kudos to Kim, Kathy and Eric and all the volunteers for a successful MICCA.
- Art and Center Stage know the deadline for money.
- Junior districts went well.

- 2 requests:
 - The week of POPs is Westborough Connects Unplug Week . Will we donate 4 tix to Pops Night? The group thinks that it's a good idea. Two sets of 2 tix will be donated.
 - WHS is under NEASC accreditation. They will be doing a sight visit. April 30 and May 1. A parent group will meet at 9:00 on April 30th. For an hour. Jeannie Chong and Kathy Swanson will represent.

General Business

- MICCA debrief - Kim, Kathy, Eric -It was successful! 50 choruses, 1500 kids, Notes will be written down. Student volunteers were great. Volunteer trends are down and TriM really picked up the slack. Kim took notes and volunteers recording made videos. They will be put in the drive for the next cochairs. Eric H said the system is really well oiled. Some parents ghosted their shifts. Communication with volunteers might help. Laura DeCoste said she'd love to help next year. Thanks to Karen Henderson and Westborough TV for live streaming the festival. It was a great addition. As far as tickets, communication as far as admission may need to improve from the MICCA group All 4 adjudicators were all very good and positive. Great job, Chris!!
- Mean Girls Concessions- Shows are Thursday Night open dress rehearsal , Friday night and Saturday night- When is it? Chris will check with Melinda. Friday, Saturday, Saturday says Chris.
- Newsletter - spring issue early May; editorial meeting post-vaca - Jeannie Chong will be meeting after break and it will be out in early May. Lisa will write a brief letter to include in Newsletter and a separate email will go out as well.
- Scholarships due May 1st.
- Pops Night - status check in- Pops Night flier is ready. May 16, 2024.
- Senior Banquet - pick a date to have 1 meeting Banquet invitation will need to go out the week after the break. Seniors don't pay. Family members \$20,

Upcoming Activity

- Swing into Spring - April 10, 7:00pm
- WHS Musical - Thursday, May 2- Saturday May, 4
- Small Ensemble Concert - May 7, 7:00pm
- GMS Band Concert - May 8, 7:00pm
- GMS Orchestra/Chorus Concert - May 9, 7:00pm
- WFAEA Pops Night - May 16, 6:00pm
- WHS Senior Banquet - May 21, 6:00pm

Next meeting May 7, 2024 on Zoom

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 Unanimous