

Friends of Colchester Music Meeting Minutes
January 12, 2016 - CMS Band room - 6:30-8:00pm

Members in Attendance

Evan, Melissa, Laura, Tyler, Sally, Jeanette, Martie, Emily, MaryFran, Laurie, Marie, Angela

1. Concerts

- a. Soiree - Saturday, February 6th
 - i. Signup genius for desserts, etc. out soon
 - ii. Advertising in Winter Carnival brochure
 - iii. Flowers (Flower A Day), vases? rolls? - Angela has a connection (Marie will give Angela a number)
 - iv. Selling tickets at the door - not pre-selling, but taking reservations
 1. MaryFran, Laura, Laurie, Jeanette - offered to help at the ticket table
 - v. Need support with silent auction 120 items (!)- Angela and Marie will set up
 1. Make announcements for final auction
 - vi. Silent auction will stay live until midnight Friday the night before the auction, then in person from noon-8:30pm
 1. Mike Soulia created online auction site - have to create an account (no payment online)
- b. PPS Musical 'Squirm' February - 10th and 11th, 6:30pm
 - i. no need for a reception
- c. MBS 3rd and 4th grade Music- February 17th, 6:00pm and 7:00pm
 - i. no need for reception
- d. MBS 5th grade Band and Chorus - February 18th, 6:30pm
 - i. DVDs and carnations (?)
- e. CSD Choral - March 4, 7:00pm
 - i. 50/50 raffle, etc.
- f. CSD Band - March 12, 11am
 - i. 50/50 raffle, etc.
 1. Mark Holly and Chris Cooper will help moving chairs

2. PR - Sally

- a. can still submit to Sun, etc. (Madrigal festival) from CHS events
- b. Submit current photos to Marie for website

3. Fundraising - Angela

- a. \$100.00 check from Hazelett!
- b. \$459 - CMS winter concerts
- c. \$403 - CHS concerts
- d. Shirt orders need to be back Thursday, February 11th
- e. Krispy Kreme - Canadian dollar is great right now (\$0.70)
 - i. Asking to invest in \$1500 USD → \$2000 Canadian for now. Motion from MaryFran, concern from Laurie - safety deposit box for FCM? Labeling for now

4. Budget - Laurie

- a. Handout provided - about \$8700 balance
- b. Winter concerts - large amount of donations
 - i. Let's try to better separate money from flowers/DVDs/donations at each concert
- c. Music festival fees

5. Teacher Updates

- a. Martie

- i. Teachers are getting time to meet at in service Monday
 - ii. Nice to have college students come back to visit and observe
 - iii. Concerts coming up - UMS doing a Circus Smirkus event
- b. Tyler
 - i. Getting back into school mode coming back from paternity leave
 - ii. New students soon with quarter changing
 - iii. Ukuleles are a big success - keyboards? Perhaps wait to teach until next year
 - iv. MBS UA teachers - have been tasked to organize assemblies. VSO coming for instrument petting zoo in April. PTO helping cover costs
 - 1. Need help with stations (perhaps CHS students)
- c. Emily
 - i. Ukuleles were/are a huge hit
 - ii. Potentially having a few students get involved with MUSIC-Comp's Opus 31 project
 - iii. Keyboard unit (7th), Noteflight composition (6th), Public Speaking (Performing Arts)
- d. Melissa
 - i. All State auditions are this weekend - about 32 students auditioning- festival in Missisquoi, VT
 - ii. Prepping for soiree and NYC trip
 - iii. 9 students made it to New England Music Festival - \$99pp - festival in Gilford, NH
 - 1. Help funding students? Propose to pay a third per student, but perhaps case by case for specific student needs

Next meeting is February 9th at 6:30 in the CMS Band room