Cape Cod Music Educators Association

Fall Meeting Minutes

**Date of the Meeting: September 14th, 2016**

**Location: St. Francis Xavier School**

**Attendees:** Dan Anthony, Andrew Troyanos, Roger, Bobby Rathbone, Megan Anthony, Berj Hagopian, Marcia, Meaghan O'Connor, Lisa Fournier, Rose Richards, Erin, Amanda Kosloski, Leisel, Tom Faris, Liz Lapadre, Ashley, Kayla, Sarah, Liz Nosal, George Scharr

**Date of the Next Meeting: February 4th, 2017, Barnstable High School**

**Dan Anthony called meeting to order at 5:30 pm.**

**Minutes**

**Old Business:**

**Secretary's Report: Minutes approved by voice acclamation.**

**Treasurers Report:**

There was a small mistake in the budget that Andrew addressed and is noted on his report.

More was paid for travel expenses from All-Cape last year. We should remind the conductors that accompanist are not included in their All-Cape travel or lodging as we have teachers here that can cover the role. We also are only paying for the length of the festival and not extra days afterwards in lodging.

Andrew also raised the question of staying with $25.00 for All-Cape.

We lost money on the Jazz festival stemming from lodging expenses and the fact that we did not have a large crowd at the concert. However, it did not significantly hurt our overall bank account.

Andrew reminded the membership to pay for all registration items as soon as possible as he's been receiving checks from schools all the way through the summer.

Treasurers report accepted through voice vote.

**President's Report:**

Information was provided about the Southeastern District, including about upcoming meetings for that group and the auditions in November and December. SE will be having a percussion ensemble again this year as part of the honor groups and students will have to select the ensemble preferences at audition. The same number of students will be recommended for All-State as before.

**Auditions Report:**

Dan Anthony will be in charge of the auditions process. It will function in the same way as last year, but with the kinks worked out from then. Electronic Sign up will begin on October 1 and run until 1 week before the auditions. After that time a late registration charge of $20.00 will be in place. The goal is to have numbers and placement set at the conclusion on the evening of auditions. The auditions will be at Sandwich High School again this year.

Auditions Coordinator--Paige volunteered to be the vocal auditions coordinator. Amanda will be the instrumental coordinator.

**Festival Host Report:**

Dave asked for feedback regarding the recording of the concert. Do we prefer CDs or online recording? Would it be possible to get a document with the program, correct spelling of the conductors' names, and correct name of students that can be copied and pasted by the CD people? It was decided to stay with the CD for one more year.

Do we plan to do a shirt this year? We would like to use the program cover as the T-Shirt design as well. Students of the host school previously designed the program cover. Do we want to have a logo contest starting next year? The deadline for this design is auditions. We also need program information by that time.

Are we keeping the same order? The stage crew prefers it because its more effective to set up the orchestra first instead of the chorus. The group decided to keep the order.

There will be better lighting in Knight Hall this year.

Percussion needs should be sent to Dave ASAP.

When turning in medical forms they must be alphabetized first for the Nurse. They will be returned to be alphabetized if they are not.

The nurse at the festival will practice emergency medicine only. OTC and prescription medication will not be given by the nurse. Let Dave know if you have a concern about a particular student.

If you need sectionals Dave needs to know at least 2 weeks in advance, and even then it may not be possible.

**Managers**

SATB Erin: Erica Washborne from NEC will conduct. The Program was approved, though Erin may still make some changes. Leisel will be the assistant.

Treble Rose: Will Gunn from Plymouth, NH will conduct. The program was approved. Megan Anthony will serve as assistant.

Concert Band Meaghan O'Connor: Brian Cardany from URI will serve as conductor. The program had already been approved in June. Meghan mentioned that Brian's wife is a specialist in elementary music education if we wanted to host a PD. Liz Nosal will serve as assistant manager.

Orchestra: Erin Enos will be assistant manager. The program was approved in June.

Jazz Alex: Auditions will be hosted at DY HS. There is a pdf on [allcapemusic.org](http://allcapemusic.org) with more information. Marcia is organizing vocal jazz this year.

The String Jamboree will be hosted at Nauset Regional Middle School and organized by Berj Hagopian. This is available for students from grades 3-8, and private teachers are also welcome.

The band workshop maybe hosted by Liz Lapadre and will probably be the Tuesday before February vacation.

Choral Workshop is still to be decided.

Junior Jazz will be at Nauset Regional Middle School and Megan Anthony will host.

**Voting**

Election results:

President: Stephanie Booth

President Elect: Dan Anthony

Treasurer: Andrew Troyanos

Secretary: Bobby Rathbone

Meaghan O'Connor will remain on as webmaster.

Meaghan mentioned putting YouTube videos on the website. We make the students do a media release page, but we don't know who is supposed to be doing the recording and photographing. Our current media is over 2 years old. Discussion was held about making it a group effort where every one contributes. If any one still has anything from last year, send it to Meaghan so that they can be placed up.

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**New Business**

Ashely Owen from Cape Cod Conservatory: There are new ensembles available for the students. This year they will be offering Rock Ensemble.

Jazz and Orchestras still exist as well.

Children's chorus will be started this year as well.

There are free tickets here for symphony concerts. Go support your local professional musicians. The symphony's next concert is Passport to France. Students can come to more than one. Email Ashley for more information.

**Elementary All-Cape Discussion**

Tom Faris is trying to create an All Cape elementary group. He has a database of all the elementary schools. He is wondering how best to formulate the database. All-State does this digitally. The association has thought about that, but there is a financial issue that exists in the creation. This would be a one day rehearsal and then follow the rest of the All-Cape festival schedule. We need a host school to run the rehearsals where the kids would go.

While nothing will happen this year, but the hope is for fall of next year. The goal is to get the elementary schools and teachers into the mix. There would most likely need to be a fee that would have to be used for offsetting the cost. (Would this stop kids from being able to participate?).

Andy proposed that we charge admission to cover those costs.

Tom contacted the Boston children's chorus to get ideas. The conductor wouldn't be the big cost, it would be the gathering of an elementary library.

Questions were asked as to:

Where would we put these extra students? Where would the audience go?

All state does a completely separate concert for the elementary students.

What do the elementary teachers want to do?

Should we put this in an email out to the elementary teachers so that they can have a voice in the creation of this event?

Which grades should we include? We want this to be as inclusive as possible.

The point was made that we should meet with these teachers so that we aren't making decisions for them. It was mentioned that we could schedule a meeting that coincides with our All-Cape festival.

Thursday was mentioned as the day which the rehearsal for the elementary students. It was felt that it would be better so that it doesn't make the Saturday meeting longer.

The point was made that it is important to help elementary teachers understand that at this is completely for them so that they will attend.

Tom was given the responsibility to make decisions about what to plan so that we can discuss the matter with the elementary teachers when we speak with them.

Berj Hagopian stated that we should bring in a clinician to bring some prestige to start the event, modeling it after the Jr. Cape festivals. The actual teachers could do the conducting to help with the desire of the teachers to participate.

An accompanist would be needed for the event.

It was felt that the event should have a night concert so that it becomes self sufficient.

**Motions from the Floor**

Andy has a debit card for the CCMEA Account for music ordering.

Motion: Host of Jazz festival doesn't receive anything - maybe $200 for hosting? Motion was made for $100. Seconded was made. Motion was passed.

Motion: Need second name on account. That will be Dan Anthony.

**Announcements**

Barnstable is in its second year of having a Tri-M organization. There are also Tri-M's at Mashpee, Falmouth, DY, so that they can all begin working together. Barnstable wants to do a full session with the other Tri-M schools so they should get together and brainstorm sessions like a reading session. The students have a list of ideas beyond the current offering that they would like to discuss.

Dan Anthony is trying to create a database of the cape music educators. He has a list of 147 teachers through the state school sites. He thinks it's inaccurate and would like to get help from the membership to make it more accurate. He would like to make it group editable so that we can contribute if we know who is at a particular school. It was mentioned to maybe go on the website behind a password.

Falmouth academy is creating a new performance space. In a few years it could possibly host Jazz or something one day once it's completely set.

Mashpee no longer hosts MAJE.

Motion to adjourn. Second. And passed.

Meeting over at 7:00 pm.