

## Manchester Band Parents Association (MBPA) Meeting Minutes

Feb 10, 2014

### **Opening:**

The regular meeting of the Manchester Band Parents Association was called to order at 7:00pm on 2/10/14 by Craig Johnson.

**Present:** Keith Berry, Ann Wendling, Annette Glahn, Kristy Murphy, Annette Peck, Craig Johnson, Gary Robbins, Helen Robbins, Lee Purtill, Steve Petersen

**Approval of Previous Minutes:** January minutes approved

### **Director's Report:**

- **Berklee Jazz Fest** – MHS made an excellent showing at the Berklee Jazz Fest. The Jazz Combo received an Honorable Mention (4<sup>th</sup> place) in their division. The Jazz Ensemble came in 5<sup>th</sup> in their division.
- **Manchester Jazz Fest** will be on 2/12/14. Daytime and evening volunteers have been arranged by Craig Johnson. Bands will arrive in the auditorium lobby and be directed by volunteers to their assigned places for instrument and equipment storage. Concessions are being arranged by Ann Wendling. There has been enough soda and drinks donated to cover the need. Pizzas will be delivered and will be sold, along with many other snacks and food items.
- **United States Army Field Band and Soldiers Chorus** will present a concert on April 7<sup>th</sup>. We will need student volunteers that afternoon afterschool to help clean up and prepare for the evening concert. 8 MHS students will be allowed to play along with the band on stage. The US Army Field Band and Chorus will do an educational program at MHS during the day.
- **Jazz and Percussion Concert** will take place on 4/23/14.
- **Boston Brass Concert** is on 4/30/14
- **Pratt and Whitney Screaming Eagles Band** is still interested in having a spring concert to benefit the MHS band program. We are still working on a date and venue.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

- Treasurer report reviewed. Current balance is \$11,558.81. Treasurer reports there are no outstanding bills at this time

**Fundraising:**

- Toilet Paper Fundraiser will be presented at next MBPA meeting.

**New Business:**

- Concert Suggestions –

It was suggested that members of the MBPA could look out for any concert goers that would benefit from sitting while waiting for the doors to open up, namely the elderly or anyone that looks like they are having difficult standing for prolonged periods of time. It was suggested that a few chairs be made available for this purpose.

It was also suggested that members of the MBPA continue to vigilant at the doors during the concerts to discourage people from exiting or entering the concert during a song – or at least to help shut the door quietly if there is real need for someone to leave suddenly.

**Next Meeting:**

Monday, 3/2/14 at 7:00 pm. All parents are encouraged to attend.

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm by Craig Johnson

Minutes submitted by: Kristy Murphy