



Foxboro Music Association Meeting Minutes
Foxboro High School Band Room (Stephen C Massey Suite)
May 12, 2025

In attendance: Nicole Groves, Jodie Whidden, Jenn Hoyt, Bobbi Gooch, Jaleen Hu, Jen Brancato, Brad Palter, Michelle Thaxton, Mike Bristol, Julie Coote, Jen Guild, Lisa Bolgen, Jean O'Bryant

- I. Call to Order** - The meeting was called to order at 6:15 pm. Thank you to Denise Hui for hosting the Jazz dinner, and to Jenn Hoyt for organizing the FMA scholarships.
- II. Student Reports** - No students present.
- III. Mr. Sawyer's Report** (read by Jodie Whidden)- Apologies I can't be there in person! Congratulations to all of the high school students on a beautiful set of POPS concerts last weekend! Thank you to all of the parents who volunteered for various roles for the event as well.

Spring Jazz Fest was last Wednesday. Congratulations to the students involved, collaborating with guest artist Jon Bean was an amazing opportunity for them.

Thank you to Jenn Hoyt for all of her work coordinating the FMA Scholarships this year. While we didn't have as many students auditioning as in previous years, it was nice to be able to give something to everyone who auditioned.

The final concert of the year for the high schoolers is the chamber concert next Thursday, 5/22 at 7:00 pm.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the potluck banquet on Friday, 5/23. The music E-Boards are working on their awards and speeches. Please let me know if you need anything from me to help prepare for this event.

The middle school students are preparing for their upcoming concerts: 7th and 8th grade concert is this Thursday 5/15, 6th grade concert is Tuesday 5/20, and 5th grade concert is Thursday 5/29.

Ms. Kerner (the music teacher at the Taylor and Burrell schools) is retiring at the end of this school year after a long career impacting thousands of Foxborough students. We are grateful to her for all of her contributions to the Foxborough music department over the years. Congratulations to Ms. Kerner!

- IV. [Budget Update](#)** (Jenn Hoyt) - Nothing to report, file is located in the linked Budget folder.

- V. **Board Members Elections** (Bobbi Gooch and Jean O'Bryant) - Thirteen members were present to vote, The ballots were distributed and tallied and the results were:
- President - Brad Palter
Vice President - Nicole Groves
Treasurer - Michelle Thaxton
Secretary - Jodie Whidden
- VI. **FMA Auditions** (Jenn Hoyt) - Next year announcements for the auditions need to be made earlier. Jenn Hoyt explained the FMA Audition process to the meeting. Lisa Bolgen offered to chair this committee next year.
- VII. **Potluck** (Julie Coote & Jen Guild) - They are in good shape, but looking for more food on the sign-up genius. Gift cards are coming in. We have 48 seniors, and 130 families. We will be purchasing gifts for 9 teachers, the FCA, and 3 cards for the custodians.
- VIII. **Memorial Day Parade** (Jodie Whidden) - Jodie and Nicole will bring water and gatorade.
- IX. **Founders Day** (Jen Brancato) - Del's has kept their prices the same, we will be selling for \$5. The signup genius is ready.
- X. **Vote to Accept** [Meeting Minutes from April 15, 2025](#) - Passed by a vote of 13-0-0.
- XI. **Old Business** - Mike is still working on transitioning to the new Google drive photo storage.
- XII. **New Business** - There will be pictures for the Seniors to take home at the potluck.
- XIII. **Adjournment** - The meeting adjourned at 7:00.

Next meeting is June 9th!