

Franklin Music Boosters  
December 13, 2011

**Call to Order:** 7:24 at the home of Amy Czuba,

**Attendance:** Susan Baker, Melissa Beckmann, Judy Butler, Amy Czuba, Robin Dao, Jolynn Ewen, Cindy Gleichauf, Debbie Harvey, Marilyn Klauber, Pamela McIntyre, Theresa Metras, Mike Peacock, Nancy Schoen

**Review of Minutes:** With one correction, motion to approve, seconded, passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Debbie read aloud several thank you notes from students who had received lesson scholarships. See attached treasurer's notes.

**Director's Report:** See attached.

Nancy introduced Mr. Michael Peacock, member of the FHS music staff. Mr. Peacock is developing curriculum that will integrate music classes into the Franklin Arts Academy (FAA). Mr. Peacock explained that the FAA is modeled after the Boston Arts Academy (<http://www.bostonpublicschools.org/school/boston-arts-academy>). Students accepted into the FAA program take yearlong arts classes, academic courses that integrate art into the curriculum, and electives outside the academy. Graduates receive a Franklin High School diploma from the Franklin Arts Academy. An FAA diploma will give students a competitive edge when applying for college and employment. Approximately 50 seniors and 60 juniors are currently enrolled. A FAA Parent/Student Information night is planned for January 4 in the FHS lecture hall.

Mr. Peacock said that several parents of FAA students have organized to support the program. Mr. Peacock conveyed these parents' request to use the FMB 501c3 designation for some of their fund raising efforts. While money earned from student events would go into a student activities account, sponsor donations would need a 501c3 organization. Discussion included issues such as 1.) how FAA income would be accounted for within the FMB (e.g., a separate account or a separate line item), 2.) the amount of income anticipated for the FAA, and 3.) specifically what the FAA income would fund. Mr. Peacock said he hoped that the FAA would eventually establish its own 501c3; it is a lengthy and complicated process. Debbie offered to investigate the appropriateness of using the FMB 501c3 designation for FAA funds. A decision was postponed for some future meeting.

He encouraged the Boosters to visit <http://www.soundinthehall.com/home> .

**Old Business:**

**Pizzeria Uno Nights:** 12/6 UNO income not yet received

**FHS Winter Concert Silent Auction:** The auction created an exceptionally festive atmosphere this year. Everyone thanked Cindy for pulling this together. Cindy shared thoughts, recommendations for next year. The manager of the Dunkin Donuts located close to the Franklin Country Club is an FHS Band alumni and eager to support FMB. Stop and Shop, BJ's and Garelik Farms made very generous donations. (Concert refreshments were free.) Cindy recommended sending certificates of appreciation to all donors. Marilyn suggested donating concert tickets also. Next year, winners should be announced while the risers are being set up for the chorus. Also, there should be a very obvious close to the bidding, such as the ringing of a bell. Publicity in the local media elicited donations from the community.

**Music Apparel:** Much appreciated again this year.

**Senior DVD:** Judy reported that she and Haven took pictures at the rehearsal and Winter Concert. A few pictures have been sent to Judy from parents. Scott Bump took photos at the concert, see [http://www.scottbump.com/Franklin/Franklin-High-Winter-1/20501397\\_bmrK8J](http://www.scottbump.com/Franklin/Franklin-High-Winter-1/20501397_bmrK8J), password "winterconcert2011".

#### **New Business:**

**FAA Request:** Please see above.

**Choral request:** Mike Sansoni has requested purchase of a few choral pieces to peruse for possible future performances. Debbie needs a specific amount in order to give him a check.

**Middle School BSO ticket request:** Nancy reported that \$200 was needed to reserve the BSO tickets. This money would be returned to the Boosters. Moved, seconded, passed.

**Jazz Café:** Pam will order paper supplies, etc. Robin will organize food. The life-size wood silhouettes need major repair.

**Possible NYC trip April 2012:** Discussion included a possible schedule, chaperones, security issues, expectations regarding student behavior, etc.

Adjourned 9:11 pm