

FGMEA BOARD MINUTES TO MEMBERS
May 6, 2006

The May general membership meeting of **FGMEA** was held on Saturday, May 6, 2006 at Hayfield Secondary School in conjunction with Sixth Grade All-County Choral Festival. The meeting was called to order by **Charlie Ring, President**.

Charles Ring, President

- Hard copies of the document ***Fairfax General Music Educators Association Report of Issues and Recommendations & Survey Results 2005-2006*** were sent to every General Music Teacher. Charlie stated, "It is my hope that this report and survey results will raise awareness about what we do. It tells our story. I hope it can be used as a tool with your administration. Often we need to educate our administration about what we do."
- The document covers a wide range of concerns facing General Music.
- The survey revealed that **39%** of General Music Teachers have little or no input in the master schedule.
- **43%** of General Music Teachers do not have a chorus set up time.
- On May 1, 2006, Charles Ring and Joy Petty met with Dr. Roger Tomhave (Fine Arts Coordinator), other Fine Arts leadership and the presidents of the respective music/art groups at the **Fine Arts Office**.
- Dr. Tomhave is working with us to resolve and correct some of the issues and concerns listed in the document. The meeting with Dr. Tomhave and the music leadership was very productive.
- Charlie will meet with Ann Monday, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services Department, to discuss the adjustment to **Regulation 3218.1** and **Regulation 3340.2**.
- Charlie thanked the board of **FGMEA** for their hard work this year. The current board will be returning.
- Linda White, (Haycock Elementary), will take her place among the best teachers in America during a five-day induction into the National Teachers Hall of Fame, June 16-20, 2006 in Emporia, Kansas and Washington, D. C. This is a huge award for Linda but it also is a wonderful award for FCPS elementary General Music Teachers. Her induction emphasizes the importance of Music Education.

- Jack Layne, Haycock Elementary, participated in the first Virginia State Chorus for fifth grade.
- **Retirees, Diana Kristof, (Hutchison Elementary), Lavinia Odejimi, (Mount Vernon Woods Elementary), and Nancy Willis, (Great Falls Elementary), were recognized and given bouquets of flowers for their many years of service to the field of Music Education. We salute you ladies and say, “Well done Ladies!!!”**
- Penny Farris, Fine Arts Librarian, would like to order songs on approval from The Music Source. Penny would like individuals (about 6), to meet on Monday, May 22, 2006 at the Fine Arts Library to review and make selections. She hopes we might find some offerings for the 2007 Choral Festival.

Debbie Key, Treasurer

- Debbie shared the many projects that FGMEA funds have been used for this fiscal year. Projects include:
 - Newsletter Publication
 - Social committee (refreshments Choral Festival and inservices, and meetings, Clinician lunch, greeting cards, gifts, flowers,
 - Inservice Clinician
 - All County-Choral Festival (transportation, lodging, (clinician) and invitations.
 - **FGMEA Grants**
 - Service Charge on Returned Checks
- Ending Balance was: **\$9,864.98. as of May 5, 2006.**

Nancy Pope, Past-President

- Nancy presented the nominating committee’s recommendation for the slate of officers for **FGMEA, 2006-2007.**

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| _____ Charlie Ring | President |
| _____ Joy Petty | Vice President |
| _____ Loretta Schmitt | Secretary |
| _____ Debbie Key | Treasurer |

Cluster Chairs

_____ Carolyn Dorey clusters 1 & 2
_____ Camille Brady clusters 3 & 4
_____ Cindy Noble clusters 5 & 6
_____ Wendy Peterson clusters 7 & 8

These officers were unanimously approved by the general membership through the ballot.

With no further business, the **FGMEA** meeting was adjourned. The next FGMEA board meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 13, 2006 at the **FEA** office. Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary