

**FGMEA Executive Board Meeting
FEA Office
February 23, 2016**

I. Call to Order

Jennifer Blend called the meeting to order at 4:39 PM.

Absent: Pam Hill, Margie Woods, Rachel Grimsby, Josie Walker, Pam Wilson, Michael Dennis, Beth Atkins, Sara Alipanah, Pam Beck

Present: Jeanette Essig, Joy Petty, Christian King, Jennifer Blend, Mary Frances Dini, Alisa Kieffer, Bev Ogden, Danielle Mazurowski, Charlie Quinlan, Kelly Harbison, Cheryl Baker, Deb Rudd, Sean Cator

II. President's Report: Jennifer Blend

- A. FEA- Jennifer will speak at the forums for funding. The Board of Supervisors Meetings are on April 5, 6, and 7 – please consider speaking at those meetings to fully fund Fairfax County.

III. Vice President's Report: Kelly Harbison

- A. FEA-Kelly attended a rally last week sponsored by FEA to bring awareness to the board of supervisors to fully fund our budget for next year. Please send a note to the board of supervisors and attend any rally's in the future to show your support of all of programs in FCPS. If we do not get the funding, general music staffing could be affected.

IV. Secretary's Report: Beth Atkins

- A. General meeting notes from November 2015 were approved as written and sent to FGMEA membership as listed on the FGMEA website.

V. Treasurer's Report: Christian King

<i>Ending Balance 11/17/16</i>	<i>\$14,237.73</i>
<i>Deposits/credits</i>	<i>\$20.00</i>
<i>Withdrawals/debits</i>	<i>\$5,111.99</i>
<i>Ending Balance 2/23/16</i>	<i>\$9,145.74</i>

BB&T Bank statement dated 1/29/16 shows a balance of **\$10,649.31**.

There are **5** checks issued after the statement date, totaling **\$1,523.57**

The Bank statement balance of **\$10,649.31** minus **\$1,523.57** is **\$9,125.74**.

We have a total of **\$20.00** in deposits made after the statement date.

\$9,125.74 plus **\$20.00** equals **\$9,145.74**.

VI. Fine Arts Office Report: Jeannette Essig

- A. Budget cuts: Please keep checking personal emails about budget issues and how you can show your support.
- B. The 2016-2017 school calendar will have staff development days in March, not January or February as in previous years. Therefore, we will have to revisit site rehearsal schedules for ACCF for next year.
- C. The technology committee that approves applications for educational use on iPads is continually working on getting new music apps for classroom use approved.

- D. January 19th in-service feedback- Jeanette has been getting feedback from the session. Some teachers were not able to go due to other training that was required on a school-based level. The hope for next year is that all general music teachers will be able to attend.
- E. The Fine Arts Office will be moving during spring break from Fairfax Ridge to Willow Oaks. The office start date is March 28th.

VII. Committee Chair Reports:

A. Choral Festival: Danielle Menard Mazurowski/Sean Cator

- 1. Sean Cator sent out the application for a co-chair for next year's festival via email
- 2. Notes will be compiled from the site-rehearsals by Sean and Danielle and will be sent out either tonight or tomorrow to all participating teachers.
- 3. Joy Petty brought up a concern about lack of Soprano II's at Sol Site. This is something Sean will address next year when making the site rehearsal assignments.
- 4. Sean and Danielle will assign the committees for the festival for teachers soon and will fan that information out via email to all involved.
- 5. Sean sent out a survey to all general music teachers for a piece of music for the 2017 to be commissioned. Participants indicated they would like a piece of music giving a message of unity/acceptance. The piece would be around \$1,500 to commission from Dominic DiOrio, who is next year's clinician. Dominic will give FGMEA the opportunity to give feed-back on the piece once he has composed it.
- 6. Motion: Sean Cator
I move that FGMEA commission a piece from Dominic DiOrio for our 2017 All-County Choral Festival, not to exceed \$1,500 for the commission.
Second: Danielle Mazurowski
Motion passes.
- 7. Rod Tompkins has been amazing the past few weeks for ACCF with technology. Huge thanks to him from Danielle and Sean!
- 8. **Reminder**: each school needs to issue separate checks for T-shirts and CDs

B. Social Media: Pam Wilson

- 1. Update-things are looking great on the website.
- 2. Thank you to Charlie and Rod for making the website user friendly-love the videos.

C. In-service: Cheryl Baker

- 1. Cheryl inquired what we would like to do as a board for in-services next year. We will table this discussion until March.
- 2. Cheryl wants to adopt a standard for people that are FCPS employees who present at in-services. We will table this discussion until March.
- 3. Cheryl will send out a survey through survey monkey to get a feel of what FGMEA members want from in-services in the future.

D. Grants: Josie Walker / Bev Ogden

1. Checks went out to grant winners.

VIII. Old Business

- A. None

IX. New Business

- A. Voting on program art for ACCF.

X. Adjournment: Jennifer Blend adjourned the meeting at 5:40 PM.

Membership: Pam Hill*

As of 2-26-16 we have 106 members with dues totaling \$1,540.00.

*Membership report submitted after the meeting.