

# MINUTES

## CMBA General Meeting

Date | time 09/21/2021 / 7:00p | Meeting called to order by Natalie Stansbury

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### 1. In Attendance

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Matthew Stearns, Natalie Stansbury, Melissa Stanek, Bill Griffiths, Jennifer Griffiths, Lynne DiGennaro and Amy Morris (via zoom)

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### 2. Secretary's Report- Jennifer Griffiths

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- ☐ **Minutes-** The minutes from the last general meeting (May 25, 2021) were not available for review.
- ☐ **CMBA Membership and Patron Forms-** The membership and patron forms for the 2021-2022 school year will be emailed to the group and will also be made available on the CMBA website.

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### 3. Treasurer's Report- Melissa Stanek

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- ☐ **CMBA Taxes-** Melissa reported that the CMBA taxes for the 2020-2021 fiscal year have been successfully filed.
- ☐ **Fiscal Year-End Report-** Melissa presented the fiscal year-end report spanning June 9, 2021- July 31, 2021 noting income from the CMBA apparel sale, Amazon Smile donation, patron donation and the Cortney Elmy Memorial Fund. Expenses were for senior scholarships, recital scholarships, senior awards, apparel and the golf tournament.
- ☐ **The Cortney Elmy Memorial Fund-** Cortney was a Chittenango Central School student who graduated in 2016. While at Chittenango, Cortney was heavily involved in music programs- she played the piano, sang in chorus and participated in the musicals. Unfortunately, Cortney passed away this year and funds have since been raised by her family and friends to honor her memory (currently \$3000.00). Per Matt and Melissa, Cortney's family has directed the CMBA to use these funds as scholarships or in other ways deemed appropriate by the CMBA.
- ☐ **Proposed Budget 2021-2022-** Melissa presented the proposed budget for the 2021-2022 fiscal year which will mirror the proposed income and expenses from last year given the ongoing pandemic. Matt announced that there are two students who have been selected as vocal alternates for All Conference this year and that scholarships in the amount of \$385.00 per student will need to be added to the proposed budget. A motion was made to accept the proposed budget for the 2021-2022 fiscal year, including the addition of the All Conference Scholarships, and this was unanimously passed.
- ☐ **Venmo Account-** Melissa proposed exploring the option of a establishing a Venmo account for CMBA. Venmo is a payment service where users can make payments by linking their bank account, debit/ credit card or by using their Venmo balance if they have access to one. Melissa will collect more information on Venmo and will present it at the next meeting.

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### 4. Vice President's Report- Bill Griffiths

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Deferred at this time.

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### 5. President's Report- Natalie Stansbury

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- ☐ **Apparel Update-** Natalie requested a \$25.00 reimbursement to a customer for an apparel item that was not fulfilled from the sale conducted in the spring. Tracey Pexton, who owns a local home-business called Tees N' Transfers, has reached out as she is interested in setting up an on-line store for the

CMBA. Bill has offered to take over apparel sales from Natalie, he will make contact with Tracey and report back to the executive committee.

- ❑ **Golf Tournament-** Natalie reported that the golf tournament was successful and she is working on completing thank you notes to donors and supporters of the event. The date for the next golf tournament has been set for May 1, 2022.
- ❑ **Open House-** The school district has decided, in light of the pandemic, to have virtual open houses this school year. In order to provide information about the CMBA and promote memberships, Matt will request that the music teachers mention it in their segments.

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## 6. Music Chairperson's Report- Matthew Stearns

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- ❑ **Music events for the 2021-2022 school year-** Matt reported that band, chorus and orchestra classes have all been built back into schedules for the school year. The status of concerts, especially for grades K-5, is unknown at this time. Senior High Area All-State will take place this year at Ithaca College. Junior High Area All- State will be on hold again this year.
- ❑ **All Conference-** Matt announced that two students (vocalists) from CHS have been selected as alternates to attend All Conference this year.
- ❑ **Senior Scholarship Recipient Thank You Notes-** Matt received thank you notes from Alyssa Bonfardeci, recipient of the Callaghan Award, and Maggie Griffiths, recipient of the Milner Award, and these were shared with the group.

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## 7. Old Business

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- ❑ **Student Participation-** Natalie stressed the importance of student participation in the CMBA and has welcomed interested students to attend meetings and participate in events that are held throughout the year.
- ❑ **CMBA Constitution-** It has been decided that the constitution needs to be reviewed and revised for accuracy. An email will be sent out to the group to invite any interested members to a separate meeting where this will be the focus.

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## 8. New Business

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- ❑ **Guest Artist-** In years past, the CMBA has funded guest artists to visit schools within the district but this has been on hold since the pandemic. Matt mentioned that he has received a donation for CMBA that may be allocated to commission a work from a local artist. More information will be made available at the next meeting.

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## 9. Remaining General Meetings 2021-2022 School Year

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- ❑ **January 25, 2022 / 7:00p in the High School Orchestra Room and also via zoom link**
- ❑ **April 5, 2022 / 7:00p in the High School Orchestra Room and also via zoom link**

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:40p and was passed unanimously.