

MINUTES

CMBA General Meeting

Date / time 06/13/2022 13:30p *Meeting called to order by* Natalie Stansbury

In Attendance

Matthew Stearns, Natalie Stansbury, Melissa Stanek, Bill Griffiths, Jennifer Griffiths and Lynne DiGennaro

Secretary's Report- Jennifer Griffiths

- **Minutes-** The minutes from the last general meeting (April 2, 2022) were emailed to members and posted on the CMBA website prior to the meeting. No changes or alterations were suggested. The minutes have been approved.

Treasurer's Report- Melissa Stanek

- **Financial Report-** Melissa reported on the current status of the CMBA checking and savings accounts noting income from the Golf Tournament and concession and merchandise sales from the Spring concerts. Expenses were for concession items and supplies for the golf tournament. The budget has been approved.
- **Election Report-** Melissa announced the election results for the 2022-2023 CMBA Executive Board- **President-** Bill Griffiths; **Vice President-** Natalie Stansbury; **Treasurer-** Lynne DiGennaro and **Secretary-** Kristin Douglas. Melissa mentioned that Bill, Lynne and Natalie will need to go to the bank to make sure all have access to the accounts once she steps down from the treasurer role. Melissa will assist in the transition by filing the taxes and preparing the end of the year summary report.
- **Summer Scholarships-** There has been one application received for a summer scholarship and the board has approved an award in the amount of 25% of the total tuition cost- which is the maximum allotted amount- to be given.

Vice President's Report- Bill Griffiths

- **Apparel Sale-** Bill reported that he has spoken to Tracey Pexton of Tees N' Transfers and she has requested having the CMBA online store open only during specific times throughout the year. Bill will look at the 2022-2023 schedule of musical events (once it is approved) and make sure it coincides with the online store being open. Bill also discussed offering some merchandise which is less expensive than what is currently available and having a ship to school option to off-set shipping costs. Tracey has since updated the online store with some lower priced items and will now offer a ship to school option for online sales.

President's Report- Natalie Stansbury

- **Golf Tournament-** The golf tournament was held on May 1, 2022 and it has again proved to be a successful fundraiser for CMBA (over \$3000.00 was raised). Natalie will check with Richard at Woodcrest about reserving a date for next year and then Melissa will follow up by sending a deposit to hold our spot.

- **Current Officers-** Melissa and Jennifer will be stepping down from their current roles and will prepare appropriate transition plans for the incoming board members through written resources, education and mentoring. Natalie has prepared a month by month outline of the responsibilities of the President as well as a guideline for how to coordinate the golf tournament. These will be kept in a secure bin (location to be managed by the President) and will be shared with executive board and CMBA members.

Music Chairperson's Report- Matthew Stearns

- **Music Awards Ceremony-** The awards ceremony was held on June 12, 2022 at Theodore's Restaurant and it was offered for high school students who participated in All-County, All-State and NYSSMA.
- **Middle School Ice Cream Truck Party-** On Thursday, June 16, 2022, the CMBA is hosting an ice cream truck party for middle school students who participated in All-County, the CMS Solofest and/or NYSSMA.

Old Business

- **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 last year and funds have since been raised by her family and friends to honor her memory (currently \$3000.00). Cortney's family directed the CMBA to use these funds as scholarships or in other ways deemed appropriate by the CMBA. Some ideas discussed were scholarships and private music lessons and Matt will discuss these with Cortney's mom to make certain she agrees with these ideas. As a token of thanks, the CMBA has purchased a windchime which will be presented to the Elmy family by Matt at a later time.

New Business

- **Funds for Middle School Select Choir Trip to Syracuse Stage-** Rosemarie Connelly has asked if the CMBA could help with the cost of taking her students who are in Select Choir (roughly 30) to go to see The Little Mermaid with Syracuse Stage on January 5th of next year. Student tickets are \$12 each. Another alternative for funding that Melissa informed the board of is the BOCES Arts in Education COSER service. All Chittenango teachers have access to the list of vendors and the application. If this service is used, once district approval is given, BOCES takes care of the payment to the vendor. The district gets a percentage back by using this service, so districts don't actually pay full price. The money received back from this service does go into the district's general fund, not to a specific department's budget. If this is the chosen source for funding, CMBA funds would not be used in any way for this. There has traditionally been a limit on the amount through COSER, but due to COVID, there has been some flexibility. The CMBA has voted to fund the entire amount of the select choir trip given that so few requests have been received for enrichment opportunities in the last few years.

Remaining General Meetings 2021-2022 School Year

The next general meeting will be planned for August 2022- date and time TBD

UPCOMING MUSIC EVENTS:

- Graduation~ June 24th

Motion to adjourn was made at 4:00p.