

To: IMADA Members
From: Jo-Ann Duncan, IMADA Secretary
Re: Mar. 9, 2010 Meeting Minutes
Date: Apr. 3, 2010

The members of the Ipswich Music, Art and Drama Association, Inc. (IMADA) convened at 7 pm, Tuesday, March 9, 2010 in Room B104 of the Ipswich Middle/High School. Members in attendance included: President Terri Murphy, Treasurer Gerry Rogers, Secretary Jo-Ann Duncan, Gerry Dolan, Anne Brown, Sandy Bemis, Kathy Butler, Joan Gallagher, Becky Gayton, Tracy Halliday, Connie Hambley, Christine Hezzey, Betsy Johnson, Trina Schell, Steve Veiga, and Alicia Zampitella

President Terri Murphy chaired and opened the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

1. February 2010 Meeting Minutes

Jo-Ann Duncan motioned to accept the minutes, Sandy Bemis seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

2. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Gerry Rogers submitted the March report and noted there was a lot of activity this month. The sculpture class and Chinese interpreter were paid and half the fee to send seven music students to the MMEA All State conference was paid. Almost \$450 in concession sales profit was raised at the MHSDG Drama Festival Preliminary Competition. More than \$1575 net was earned in concessions, messages and roses sales at the middle school production of *Pirates of Penzance*. A grand total of \$59,136.41 is in the IMADA account. After deducting the amounts earmarked for specific program, there is a total of \$10,694.33 uncommitted.

Jo-Ann Duncan motioned to accept the treasurer's report, which was seconded by Betsy Johnson, and passed unanimously.

Gerry will ask Deb Faust if the Company's wants their CD rolled over.

3. New Business

Open positions: Terri Murphy reported our current webmaster Cindy Parker would like to be replaced. Also the Vice president slot is still vacant.

The Jazz Band and The Company of IHS Drama Competition results were posted in the most recent newsletter. The Jazz Band won Gold for their performance and could move on to the State level of competition with many students receiving individual awards. The Company will not move on, however several students received awards. Terri Murphy received an email requesting any old instruments available to send to Haiti. Please email Terri for more details.

Miranda Russell donated \$20 from her CD sales at the Roots concert to IMADA.

4. Old Business: Committee Reports

Budget Committee: Nothing to report.

Annual Fund Campaign: Nothing to report.

Fall Concert: Terri Murphy reported the Ipswich Cultural Council has set 10/1 as the date for their annual Art Show and Fire on the River. After some discussion, IMADA decided to hold a concert on 9/25. It was mentioned that the TV show Glee has sparked interest in acapella groups. Anne Brown suggested U of Rochester's Midnight Ramblers and there are several other groups in the Boston area. A subcommittee will look into options.

Program Book: Nothing to report.

Thanksgiving Breakfast: Nothing to report.

Email/Website: Nothing to report.

Seat Plaque Campaign: Nothing to report.

Art for the Arts: Steve Veiga reported notices have been sent out to artists and into the newspaper. An invitation will be mailed to all previous Art for the Arts artists, former donors to IMADA, and the people who registered to bid at the event last year. The posters have been printed and will be distributed. 21 artists have sent in their forms to date. A discussion ensued with suggestions of Robin's Art for the Arts t-shirts and packages of note cards with Robin's art featured. The note card idea was widely received with the proceeds to benefit the Robin Silverman scholarship fund. Terri Murphy led a discussion on the hours and closing time on art sections. It was decided to run the show from 6pm-10pm, with student music from 6:30pm-9:30pm or so - starting with orchestra and ending with jazz. A subcommittee meeting was planned for 3/18 at 7pm at the First Church.

Art Show Receptions: Nothing to report.

Front-of-House, Middle School Play: Nothing to report.

Front-of-House, High School Play: Nothing to report.

Scholarship Committee: Sandy Bemis reported the forms are at the Guidance office and will be available to students on 3/15. Anne Brown spoke with Rick Silverman regarding Robin's scholarship; it is not restricted to a visual artist. Nor did Rick want to say the student had to be majoring in art. Rather, "the student should seriously be pursuing their art in college." In addition to the \$1,000 Robin Silverman Scholarship, Steve Veiga motioned to spend up to \$10,000 in college scholarships, which was seconded by Jo-Ann Duncan, and passed unanimously.

Mass HS Drama Guild Festival: Nothing to report.

Fine Arts Award Night: Nothing to report.

Concert Clothing Closet: Nothing to report.

Publicity: Nothing to report.

Quarterly Event Posters: Nothing to report.

Grant Writing: Nothing to report.

5. Fine Arts Department Updates

Gerry Dolan reported he distributed to 300 students a questionnaire regarding their interest in traveling to England and Scotland for 10 days in April of 2011. Thus far 150 had been turned back to him with 133 yes, 12 no, 5 maybe. It appears the trip is a "go" and Gerry is researching travel agencies.

Gerry reported a guitar missing from the band room during the extended weekend of the power outage. The police are involved and actively seeking its return. It is the third specialty guitar missing in the past two years.

Gerry is talking to various music faculty at other schools who may be interested in the open orchestra position prior to advertising.

6. Upcoming Events

IHS Jazz band to Salem State Jazz Festival; Thurs., March 11

IMS Chamber Music Concert; Tues., March 16 7:00 pm

MMEA All-State Festival; Thurs. – Sat., March 18 – 20 in Boston

MMEA Junior District Festival; March 24, 26 & 27 in Lowell

"All Town" Band Concert; Wednesday, April 7 7:30 pm

Robin's Art for the Arts; Saturday, April 10 6:00 pm, First Church

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, Apr.6, 2010 at 7 p.m. in the Guidance Office** of the Ipswich Middle/High School.