

NWSMTA
General Meeting Minutes
October 19, 2009

The meeting was called to order by President Vonnie Mrozinski.

Vonnie passed a committee chair list and a carpool list for the ISMTA conference.

The minutes from the September meeting were approved -- no additions or corrections.

Treasurer Jeannie Carter reported that the annual report has been completed. An additional report will be e-mailed.

1st Vice President and Program Chair, Suzanne Murray, reminded members that our next meeting falls later in the month -- November 30th. The program will be on the Alexander Technique. The December meeting will be held the following week -- the Christmas party. Please bring a "white elephant" gift.

2nd Vice President and Membership Chair, Joan James, announced that we have 116 members. The September meeting was attended by 66 members and 3 guests.

Committee Reports:

AIM -- Rick Lowe announced the AIM coffee, to be held October 26 at Helen Grosshans' house. Fran Onley reminded members that Level 1 & 2 exams are coming up in November.

Awards/Concerto Competition -- Brenda Huang announced that Matthew Hagle, from the Music Institute of Chicago, would be presenting ideas on the Awards Repertoire at today's meeting.

Certification -- Jennifer Cohen had no report.

Festival of Pianos -- Marcia Mally reported that 393 students participated this year, and that the committee has met to wrap up and discuss next year's festival.

Finance & Vision -- Rick Lowe has not yet met with committee to discuss the CD's. He plans to meet with Carol Walgren-Georgas and work out the specifics soon.

Historian -- Janice Wilkans -- no report

Hospitality -- Janice Wilkans -- sent azaleas to Pat Cavers' family, and a \$50 check to the Council of Jewish Elderly, in honor of Roberta Rogers.

Independent Music Teachers' Forum -- Mary Ann Block & Joan James reported that that there were 13 booths at last meeting, and the "first annual" membership fair was a

success.

Library -- Suzanne Fleer reported that our library holdings will be listed on the website. She has acquired 2 new DVD's -- "The Art of the Piano" and the MTNA 2009 convention recordings.

Luncheon -- Helen LoBosco discussed with members the extra expense of holding a fashion show at the luncheon, and discussed the possibility of going to a different restaurant this year.

Music Sales -- Helen LoBosco reminded members to write their name & the price of the music in pencil on the inside cover.

Placement -- Joan Drolet said she only received one call. Members discussed getting calls from the website. Joan reminded members to buy their group subscriptions for Clavier Companion through her, for \$20

Publicity -- Irene Rappa -- no report

Recitals -- Galina Kostukovsky will host the October recital, this Sunday, October 25th at 1:30 and 4:00. There is still room to sign up students. Miyoung Kim will host the April recitals. The 1:30 recital will be classical, the 4:00 p.m. recital will be pop & jazz.

Scholarship -- Cheryl Buller was not at meeting -- no report.

Sonata-sonatina Festival -- Mary Hough & Michelle Ryder were not in attendance -- Denise Dolins reported that there were 345 entries. Genya Kantorovich announced that the Gold Medal recitals will be held on Sunday, November 8 at 4:00 p.m., and then another at 5:30 & 7:00 if needed. Genya needs volunteers to help her at the recitals -- Marcia Mally & Helen LoBosco volunteered.

Website -- Beverly Taylor explained the sign-in procedure for members.

Workshop -- Denise Dolins has updated the flyers -- the recital will be held at Countryside Church on Sunday, and the workshop on Monday. There will be new online communication via email, with reminders and online flyers for students.

Yearbook -- Janice Wilkans announced an error in the ad for Crescendo Music -- Bonnie will only give the 15% discount for cash or check -- for charge payments, only 10%.

OLD BUSINESS

The registration deadline for the ISMTA convention has been extended to October 27th. The deadline for the hotel group rate is October 21st. Vonnie encouraged members to carpool.

NEW BUSINESS

Fran Onley announced that enrollment for AIM levels 1 & 2 has increased since last year.

Mary Anne Block reminded members that all forms are online -- if you have trouble downloading or if you need forms mailed to you, please call her.

Carol Walgren-Georgas announced that Mary Beth Molenaar was announced as the MTNA Foundation Fellow last spring. She encouraged members to donate to the MTNA National Foundation, and suggested a donation from our group. The money goes to the foundation, and the state honors her. Vonnie asked for a motion for our group to donate to honor Mary Beth Molenaar, and in support of the foundation. Deb Lynch made a motion that we make a donation of \$100 and Marcia Mally seconded the motion.

With no further new business, Bev Taylor made a motion to adjourn, and Rick Lowe seconded that motion.