

NWSMTA BOARD MEETING - SEPTEMBER 11, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Suzanne Murray at 10:00 AM and was held at the Rolling Meadows Library.

Minutes of the previous board meeting were read by Judith Shaltry, Recording Secretary. Maureen Flood requested a correction - that her student did win the college scholarship and did play in the Steinway Awards Competition - Winners Recital on May 6, 2017. Motion to approve by Maureen Flood, seconded by Deb Lynch.

Treasurer report: Nancy Dempsey

The checking account balance at Harris bank as of 8/31/17 is \$20, 597.50

For the month of August 2017, the beginning value of the money market account at Fidelity Investments was \$22, 691.55 and the ending value was \$22, 854, 82 for a change in investment value of \$163.27.

Reports and budget requests should be submitted as soon as possible after an event.

Copies are reimbursed for \$.10 but not for ink cartridge or paper.

Net loss of \$220 for the Library was added to the proposed budget.

Request from Maureen Flood to have a report over a decade - of growth and loss - as a check and balance.

Motion by Helen Grosshans to contribute \$1000.00 to the MTNA Benevolent Fund as a one-time event. Seconded by Marcia Mally. With this action, NWSMTA is now \$2892.56 in the red.

Motion to approve budget by Deb Lynch. Seconded by Laurie Sorman

1ST VP & PROGRAM CHAIRMAN - Brenda Buchanan - not present

2ND VP AND MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN - Laurie Sorman

As of last year, we had 127 members. So far now there are 115 members. Average membership age - 62.

There will be a New Members Coffee on September 25, 9:45 AM, at Laurie Sorman's home.

AIM: Helen Grosshans

Fees are increased - \$20 for Level 1 - 2 and \$30 for Level 3 - 12.

AIM Coffee Workshop - October 23 at Helen Grosshan's home to focus on program and supplementary materials to use for preparation. Follow up with new members at another smaller Coffee. Request by Helen to have an AIM Minute at the business section of the regular meetings (as information on program)

First Judge's meeting on Wednesday, November 8 at Mary Anne Block's home.

AWARDS - Olga Ulitsky and Olga Bornovalova.

Awards competition on April 14, 2018. Winner recital - to be announced.

CLASSICAL RECITAL/POP AND JAZZ RECITALS - Yoko Amano, Fran Onley, Mary Anne Block

Yoko stated that they would like to have more students to participate. Deb Lynch suggested that they put an article in the Newsletter.

FESTIVAL OF PIANOS - Marcia Mally. Steinway becoming more expensive. Net income this year is only \$600.00 - not as many students/teachers as before. Now have 328 students with 26 teachers.

FINANCE/VISION - Marie Rutter - no report

INDEPENDENT MUSIC TEACHERS - Maureen Flood.

Matthew Hagle - speaker for October meeting.

In the creative idea department, the March meeting will be "Snappy Summer Ideas" to grow your income, enrollment and enjoyment. Fran Onley and Laurie Sorman will present.

LUNCHEON - Justyna Weinrich on May 14, 2018, - Chicago Prime - Italian restaurant in Schaumburg.

PUBLICITY - Rachel Wojcicki - is doing publicity for Festival of Pianos. Wants to be contacted for publicity on projects.

SCHOLARSHIPS: CAMP AND COLLEGE - Pat Borchardt - the winner money for College Scholarship stays at \$1000. Judge's fee - \$100. Camp Scholarship: After discussion it was proposed that the \$1000 Camp Scholarship awards be divided into \$300 and \$200 at both the junior and senior levels.

SONATA-SONATINA FESTIVAL - at Harper on November 5, 2017. Gold Medal recital on the following Saturday - November 11.

WEBSITE - Maureen Flood - any problems - contact her. Discussion on problems getting in to Weebly to update information.

YEARBOOK - Maureen Flood - Deb Lynch. Marcia Mally requested to put a calendar in the Yearbook. Yearbook is ready for print. Committee members checked their information.

Yoko Amano to leave Awards committee.

JAZZ FESTIVAL - Rachel Wojcicki with Maureen Flood speaking to the event in Rachel's absence. There is not a host place booked just yet - but the event is slowly materializing. Keep \$2500 expense in budget. Date - early March. Possibility of working with Carol Georgas and Ken Spurr at Harper for this project. More information coming.

HARPER EVENTS - EQUIPMENT REQUESTS. Because of past conflicts, equipment/set-up requests should go through Darlene at Harper.

NEW BUSINESS - Regarding Kathy Sbarboro's recent loss of her husband: Janice Wilkans to send a card. Information to be put in the Newsletter. For personal, private donations, there will be a link for this purpose. Requested by Maureen Flood and seconded by Marcia Mally to send \$100 donation to Kathy from NWSMTA.

Maureen Flood stated that Marilyn Crosland's husband Stan would like to donate her music and music related items to NWSMTA to be sold to raise money for a scholarship for members who wish to pursue continuing education. A discussion on the best way to handle this followed. Maureen will have more information after meeting with Stan.

Meeting adjourned at 11:45

Judith Shaltry - Recording Secretary

