

NWSMTA BOARD MEETING - SEPTEMBER 10, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Carol Walgren-Georgas, President, at 9:50 AM.

The meeting was held at the Rolling Hills Library. There were no additions or corrections to the previous Board meeting minutes. Motion to approve by Maureen Flood, seconded by Marcia Mally.

Treasurers report: Nancy Dempsey read the letter from Zoeller Consulting firm regarding review and verification of checking account and investment statements. The verified cash balance as of June 30, 2018 in the BMO Harris Bank checking account was \$11,305.44. The Fidelity Investment account had a book value of \$26,846.87 and a Fair Market value of \$27,539.81.

The BMO Harris Bank checking account balance as of August 31, 2018 is \$16,970.44. As of August 31, 2018, the ending value of the Mutual Funds account at fidelity Investments totaled \$28,053.33 for a change in investment value of \$194.16.

1st VP and Program Chairman - Jennifer Cohen. Programs for the year are in the membership book.

2nd VP and Membership Chair - Laurie Sorman. We have 122 members as of September 10, 2018. New member coffee at Laurie's home on Oct. 22.

AIM - Helen Grosshans - Timeline is the same. Joan James and Annie Artinian are moving to levels 5 - 12 with Helen Chang. Suzanne Murray will be working with Suzanne Fleer and Marie Rutter (levels 10 - 12). There will be 2 AIM pre meeting chats regarding the exams, the first being on October 5 at Helen Grosshan's home.

AWARDS - Olga Ulitsky and Olga Bornovalova - no reports

CERTIFICATION - Jennifer Cohen - no report

CLASSICAL RECITALS - POP/JAZZ RECITALS - no report

FESTIVAL OF PIANOS - Entries are lower. New budget of \$7,400.00 (\$400.00 increase) requested. Motion for approval by Helen Grosshans and seconded by Deb Lynch. Approved by all present. Two conductors will handle 7 programs. Sandy Liebowitz and Marcia Mally will step down as co-chairs to be replaced by Dianne Adamek and a future interested nominee.

FINANCE/VISION - no report

GROUP TICKET SALES - no report

HISTORIAN/HOSPITALITY - Janice Wilkans - no report

INDEPENDENT MUSIC TEACHERS - Maureen Flood - discussion regarding an activity done at 1 meeting per year. More information to come on this topic. No chats scheduled before regular meetings. Discussion regarding music donation for our library done in the meeting room beforehand and individual music sales before the November meeting.

LIBRARY - Suzanne Fler has older cassettes and videos available at her house. Contact her if interested. The library does get a lot of use but because of online information availability, there is question as to whether we should keep or give away the library materials. This issue will be put into the newsletter for response. Would it be feasible for someone to do a 5 minute book review at meetings?

LUNCHEON - Justyna Weirich. Discussion on simplifying and cutting down on expenses but still keeping the wonderful ambiance of this event for those participating.

PARLIAMENTARIAN - Marie Rutter - no report.

PUBLICITY - Rachel Wojcicki - no report.

JAZZ FEST - Rachel Wojcicki - First week in June

SCHOLARSHIPS - CAMP AND COLLEGE - Pat Borchardt. Discussion on question of length of time for teacher qualifying membership. Conclusion - NWSMTA teacher must be a member for 3 years. Scholarships available to students who have been accepted and have declared a major or minor in a music program and have sent in audition on major instrument of application. Any instrument is acceptable taught by an NWSMTA teacher whose dues are paid. The \$1000.00 will be sent to the school in two separate checks of \$500.00 each, based on passing grades in music related studies.

SONATA-SONATINA FESTIVAL - Michele Ryder - Going smoothly at Harper College. Talk to Carol Walgren-Georgas regarding events at Harper.

WEBSITE - Maureen Flood - View the website to keep up to date.

YEARBOOK - passed around, reviewed and approved by all. To be sent to printer.

WHITMAN WONDERS - Helen Grosshans. Program going well.

OLD BUSINESS:

For information on Harper events, speak with Carol or Vonnie Mrozinski.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mary Ann Block sent a letter of thanks plus 2 tickets to her October 4 fundraiser program event at the Barrington White House (piano and viola concert).

Discussion on time and new location for Teacher Musicale since Steinway is closing their store in Northbrook. TBA.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon. Motion by Marie Rutter and seconded by Helen Grosshans.

Judith Shaltry - Recording Secretary

