General Meeting Minutes 1-15-2018

In the absence of Suzanne Murray, Brenda Buchanan (1st VP) called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM. There was no quorum present within the membership attending.

The November minutes were referenced as to a date correction regarding the Classical-Pop/Jazz Recitals from April 28 to April 29. However, this was amended by another date correction later in the meeting by Fran Onley.

Treasurer Report - In the absence of Nancy Dempsey, the report states that the checking balance at Harris bank as of 12/31/17 is \$14,115.97. For the month of December 2017, the ending value of the mutual funds account at Fidelity Investments totaled \$23, 392.46 for a change in investment value of \$106.47.

1st VP, Brenda Buchanan announced that the program for today is presented by Wendy Unrath- "Yoga for Pianists".

2nd VP and Membership Chair, Laurie Sorman, reported that there are 133 members as of January 12, 2018.

Committee Reports -

AIM - Fran Onley reported that the pins did not come in for the November AIM session. They were actually sent but returned as undeliverable to the address. They are expected for the February meeting. Levels 3-12 exams are on for January 28, 2018 with entrance fee of \$30.00. Scheduling is in progress. 43 registered for level 5, 30 registered for level 6, 34 registered for level 7, 18 registered for level 12.

Classical - Pop/Jazz Recitals - Fran Onley reported a date change to April 15, 2018 from April 29 and looking to a wider repertoire for performance.

Festival of Pianos - Marcia Malley showed a poster that she created of benefits to students in playing at the Festival of Pianos, among them:

-rare experience - opportunity to play duets - parents and students can play together - students learn to truly listen - there is a pride and joy in the experience - enhances teaching - students realize the number of people who play the piano and participate - participating students overwhelmingly stay with piano - it becomes a great inspirational experience as being part of a team. Congratulations, Marcia, for your creativity in advertising this event!

Independent Music Teachers - Maureen flood reported that Laurie Sorman and Fran Onley will present at the meeting on March 19, 2018 "Snappy Summer Ideas to Grow Your Income, Enrollment and Enjoyment".

Library - no report except to remind anyone who has library items due back, to give them to Brenda Buchanan.

Old Business: Jazz Fest -- Maureen Flood - plans are still underway. Information will follow as plans become more solidified.

New Business: Looking for AMT Journals from Dec-Jan 1989 - 90. Suggestion to look online for material.

Solo sheet music from Marilyn Crosland's collection is still available.

Per Maureen - There is a Dalcroze all day workshop for teachers upcoming. Possibility to use money from the sale of Marilyn Crosland's library for teachers to attend. There is also another separate Dalcroze workshop for piano teachers. Speak to Maureen if interested.

Judith Shaltry - Recording Secretary