

General Meeting Minutes 10-15-2018

The meeting was called to order by Carol Walgren-Georgas at 9:45 AM.

There were no corrections to the minutes of September 17, 2018 but because of no quorum present, there was no approval motion.

TREASURER report was read by Carol. The BMO Harris Bank checking account balance as of September 30, 2018 is \$9,004.40. As of September 30, 2018, the ending market value of the mutual funds account at Fidelity Investments totaled \$28,071.38 for a change of investment value of \$20.02.

1st VICE PRESIDENT AND PROGRAM CHAIR - Jennifer Cohen. The program for today is given by Kenneth Drake on " Forte Piano - What the Fortepiano and Painting Teach Us About Playing Classic Repertoire".

2nd VICE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERSHIP CHAIR - Laurie Sorman. Our membership is now at 130, with 3 new people coming in this month. The new member coffee will be next Monday, October 22, 2018 at the home of Laurie Sorman.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

AIM - Helen Grosshans - There was an AIM workshop on October 5, 2018. 15 attended. Joan James is the co-chair for the November exams. Reminder is always to bring the correct music and indicate correct levels. Registration is still open. Pre meeting chat related to Theory levels 5-12 (January exam) will be on Monday, November 26, 2018 before the regular meeting. General questions welcome.

CLASSICAL/POP/JAZZ RECITALS - Yoko Amano, Fran Onley reporting to encourage participation of more students. Recitals to be on Sunday, October 28.

FESTIVAL OF PIANOS - Dianne Adamek and Marcia Mally reported that the 25th Festival was a wonderfully successful event for both students and teachers. Posters and medals were displayed for all to see. Planning is in the works for next year. However the use of Northbrook Court is currently questionable.

HISTORIAN/HOSPITALITY - Janice Wilkans. Janice cannot be present at meetings but wants to continue in this capacity. She asks that we call her whenever someone needs a card. Janice also presently has students available for instruction with other teachers. Contact her for information.

INDEPENDENT MUSIC TEACHERS - Maureen Flood. All the yearbooks have been mailed out to members who did not pick them up at the September meeting.

JAZZ COMBO EXPERIENCE - Rachel Wojcicki. Carol is asking for activity reports to be given to her about NWSMTA interesting projects like the Jazz Combo, to bring to the attention of the State Convention.

MUSICBLOCKS - Mary Anne Block reported that she had a successful fundraiser, exceeding the goal for funding the school year.

SONATA/SONATINA FESTIVAL - Jerry Dolins reported that 342 students are entered from 61 NWSMTA teachers and other chapter teachers. Jerry also suggested that everyone check on credentials and categories listed in the membership handbook.

SCHOLARSHIPS - College scholarships may include a major or minor in any instrument taught by a NWSMTA teacher instructor.

WORKSHOP - Brenda Buchanan reports that the clinician will be Laurie Rhoden of Ball State, to be held at Countryside Church in Palatine on March 3-4, 2019.

NEW BUSINESS

There are important ISMTA Bi-Law changes to be voted on by membership at the Convention. If attending, please indicate if you would like a ride to or from the Convention. You may go free to the ISMTA Convention if you are a first time attendee.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 10:30 by Marcia Mally, seconded by Deb Lynch.

Judith Shaltry - Recording Secretary

