

NWSMTA meeting January 19, 2014

President Robin Meredith-Kramer called the meeting to order at 9:45 am at the Rolling Meadows Public Library. November meeting minutes were approved upon motion by Pat Borchardt and seconded by Janice Wilkans. Chieko, treasurer, reported a balance of \$16,822.69 in our checking account and \$18,911.65 in the investment account. Members are encouraged to turn in receipts for reimbursements promptly.

1st Vice President & Program Chair: MiYoung reported on upcoming programs, listed in our yearbook. Janice Razaq will be presenting today on effective judging techniques. Faith Lutheran Church on 431 Arlington Heights Road is the location for our February and March meetings.

2nd Vice President & Membership Chair: Suzanne Murray reported we have 135 members now. Addendum was passed out to include new members. At the state level our numbers are down, so all are encouraged to promote membership.

AIM: Mary Anne reported that technique requirements are from the new syllabus now that it is 2015. Pins are being handed out today. Theory levels 5-12 evaluations will be on January 25. We have 202 students enrolled and 34 teachers entering students. Vonnie reported the deadline to enroll in the Performance exam is February 16 for level 12. Levels 11 and 12 are encouraged to take their performance exam after April 12.

Classical/Pop & Jazz Recital is April 19 and the deadline to enroll is in early April.

Festival of Pianos: New repertoire is selected and will be available in March at the meeting. Marcia Malley presented some of the books to be used as repertoire. The list will go out in February.

Group Ticket Sales: Genya reported CSO has tickets available except for the Kissin concert.

Historian/Hospitality: Janice Wilkans sent a get-well card to Maureen Flood.

Independent Music Teachers: Chat at 9:15 before our meetings to discuss issues with teaching.

Library: Suzanne Fleer reported she has 2 new items: The Success Factor in Piano Teaching and a DVD of Pressler playing in Paris. These can be checked out.

College Scholarship: Pat Borchardt reminded members that the deadline to apply is April 15 and new rules and requirements are on the website, as well as forms. Camp scholarship deadline is April 30.

Workshop: Brenda reported the workshop will be held at the Barrington Library on March 1-2. Kristin Yost is our clinician. Brenda asked for input from members on recommendations on places to cater our lunch on Monday. The flier will be ready to distribute very soon.

New Business: Clavier can be renewed by sending \$20 to Joan Drolet soon. Motion to adjourn was made by Mary Anne Block, and seconded by Deb Lynch. Meeting adjourned at 11:30.

Brenda Buchanan, Recording Secretary