

NWSMTA Meeting Minutes 1/15/24

The meeting was called to order by President Chyi-Ling Evans at 9:50 a.m. Chyi-Ling read the minutes from the November 23, 2023 meeting — they were unanimously approved.

1st Vice President Nancy Dempsey announced Dr. Susan Osborn will give today's program. Next month will be a business only meeting. Our attendance has improved at meetings

2nd Vice President/Membership Chair— Marcia Rudin — technical difficulties, Jerry Dolins read report. We have 117 members, two new members.

Recording Secretary — Position is open — please contact Chyi-Ling to volunteer

Treasurer Yushan Sui — Balance as of 1/15/2024:

Harris Bank \$22,758.05

Fidelity Investment Account: \$42,501.85, increase of \$1396

Committee Reports

Helen Chang: AIM Theory Levels 3-9 can pick up exams or wait until March exams
Today is the deadline for repertoire approval. No extra fee for performance exams, fee paid in December covers performance exam, unless the theory exam was taken in a previous year.

Vonnie Mrozinski: Level 3-9 Performance Exams will be held March 17 at Harper College.
The registration deadline is February 17; no schedule changes.

Certification — No report, contact Jennifer Cohen directly if you are interested

Festival of Pianos - Yoko Amano reports that Golf Mill will be going through renovation, but Family Pianos will move to Northbrook Court in time for the October Festival.

Finance/Vision - no report

Group Tickets - Genya bought the tickets, please pick up at her house or she will bring them in March

Hospitality - Mary Hough sent cards to Inge Sedey, who broke her arm, Ann Chang, who is a new grandmother, and Mary Anne Block, who had surgery

Jazz Combo Experience - Will be held at the House of Music and Entertainment on Father's Day, June 16. Start to prepare your students now, any questions call Maureen or Justyna

Midwest Keyboard Performance Challenge - no report

Music Blocks - Mary Anne Block reports there was a recital at the Barrington Library, they are starting lessons this week

Newsletter — No report

Parliamentarian — No report

Publicity — No report — send pictures to Lily Zhang or Maureen Flood for Facebook

Recitals

Classical — Lois Guderian Veenhoven reports that it will take place on April 28 — the deadline will be earlier, on April 4. Needs someone to set up on the day of recital

Pop & Jazz — It's never too early to prepare your students — the deadline is April 14

Scholarships — Please find deadlines on the website or in the yearbook

Sonata-Sonatina Festival — The rooms will be reserved in June or July. Vonnie reports that Harper will begin offering a recording arts certificate, Rooms P105, 106, 107 will become one room for this purpose, which means we will lose 3 studios for our events. Vonnie will keep us posted at the June board meeting. Jerry states that we will need 8 rooms, otherwise we will have to limit the number of entries for teachers.

Teachers' Musicale — Lois Guderian Veenhoven is asking for someone to step up and volunteer to take over this musicale. Due to traveling for a new job, she will not be here.

Website — get news to Deb Lynch or Maureen Flood

Yearbook — No report

OLD BUSINESS— no old business

NEW BUSINESS — Deadline for annual reports and budget is TODAY — please send to Chyi-Ling

Brenda Haynes moved to adjourn the meeting, Maureen seconded. Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

There were 24 members present today, all on Zoom due to inclement weather.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen P Flood