

## **NWSMTA AGENDA – GENERAL MEETING – February 18, 2019**

**SECRETARY** – The minutes were not read due to a lack of quorum.

**TREASURER** – Nancy Dempsey's report was read by Carol Walgren-Georgas. The BMO account stands at \$10,986.66, while the mutual fund account has \$27,727.97, which is a \$1,186.35 change in investment value. Thanks to all who submitted their calendar year-end reports.

**1<sup>ST</sup> VICE PRES/PROGRAM CHAIR** – Jennifer Cohen reported that the program will be about transforming written music to a lead sheet (by Rachel Wojcicki).

**2<sup>ND</sup> VICE PRES/MEMBERSHIP** – Laurie Sorman reported that we have 133 members, with one member re-instated in January.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**AIM** - Helen Grosshans – Helen G. thanked Helen Chang and Joan James for grading all of the Level 5-12 theory exams.

**Levels 1-2,3-4** - Fran Onley, Mary Ann Block – no report.

**Levels 5-12** - Helen Chang, Joan James, Annie Artinian – Helen Chang reported that the exams and make-up exams are finished. A few exams still need to be picked up. Scores are posted online.

**Levels 3-9 Performance** – Helen Grosshans, Vonnie Mrozinski – no report.

**Levels 10-12 Performance** - Marie Rutter, Suzanne Fleeer, Suzanne Murray – The deadline is March 7<sup>th</sup>.

**AWARDS** – Olga Ulitski, Olga Bornovalova – no report.

**CERTIFICATION** –Jennifer Cohen – Call if you want information on certification.

**CLASSICAL/POP/JAZZ RECITALS** –Yoko Amano, Fran Onley, Mary Anne Block – Fran reported that the classical and pop recitals will be held on April 14<sup>th</sup> at the RM library. The entry deadline is April 1<sup>st</sup>.

**FESTIVAL OF PIANOS** –Dianne Adamek sent in a report stating that Maureen Flood will be putting 2019 Festival information on the website soon. Send registrations to Dianne starting May 1<sup>st</sup>. Details about the Meemic Foundation are in the newsletter.

**FINANCE/VISION** – Marie Rutter – Carol initiated a discussion regarding whether the finance committee should meet to plan another event. Helen Grosshans thinks we would have to alternate another event with the workshop, because of availability in the calendar year. Marie suggested a one-time event such as the Bach Festival in 1985. Brenda Buchanan suggested having a joint workshop with other teacher groups. Marie will submit an article to Deb Lynch for the newsletter, asking members to send their suggestions to Marie or Carol.

**GROUP TICKET SALES** – Genya Kantorovich – no report.

**HISTORIAN/HOSPITALITY** - Janice Wilkans – A card was sent to Judith Shaltry on the death of her sister. Pat Borchard is recovering from a heart attack. Please let Janice know if anyone else needs a card.

**INDEPENDENT MUSIC TEACHERS** –Maureen Flood – no report.

**JAZZ COMBO EXPERIENCE** – Rachel Wojcicki – event is scheduled for June 2 at Dirty Nellies in Palatine.

**LIBRARY** –Suzanne Fler gave an overview of some new books in the library – one about Chopin, called Fryderyk Chopin: A Life and Times, which was written by a presenter (Alan Walker) at the upcoming MTNA conference in March.

**LUNCHEON** –Justyna Weirich reported that the luncheon will be held at La Tasca in Arlington Heights for a cost of \$33 per person. We need to have 25 people in attendance.

**MUSIC BLOCKS** –Mary Anne Block – no report.

**PARLIMENTARIAN** –Marie Rutter – no report.

**PLACEMENT** –Joan Drolet – no report.

**PUBLICITY** – Rachel Wojcicki made a graphic for the workshop, which is on the NWSMTA Facebook page. Please share it on your studio page or send it as a message to increase exposure for our event.

**SONATA/SONATINA FESTIVAL** – Michele Ryder – no report.

**SCHOLARSHIPS**- Pat Borchardt - Deadline for camp and college scholarships is April 15<sup>th</sup>. Both Majors and Minors in music are accepted. Applications are available on the website.

**WHITMAN WONDERS** – Helen Grosshans - no report.

**WORKSHOP** – Brenda Buchanan passed out flyers for the workshop, which is scheduled for March 3-4. She is still in need of students for the workshop masterclass.

**WEBSITE/ENEWS** – Maureen Flood, Deborah Lynch – no report.

**YEARBOOK** – Deborah Lynch – no report.

**OLD BUSINESS** - Minutes from September, October, January, and February have not been approved for lack of a quorum at the meetings.

**NEW BUSINESS** - Carol asked for 5 members to form a nominating committee to select a slate of new officers (must include one past president). The open positions are Secretary, 1<sup>st</sup> VP/Membership, and Treasurer. Brenda Buchanan agreed to be on the committee and it was suggested that Carol put out a request for additional nominating committee members, with a deadline to respond.

The MTNA conference is March 16-20<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:26 am.