

General Meeting Minutes 04/17/17

Suzanne Murray called the meeting to order at 9:50 am.

Treasurer: Chyi-Ling Evans sent in her report which showed the ending balance of the Harris Bank account as of 4/16/17 was \$16,777.99. For the month of March, the Fidelity Investment beginning account value was \$21,817.51 and the ending account value was \$21,818.23 for a change value from last period of \$0.72.

1st Vice-President – The program for today, entitled “Girl Scout Tricks - What Music Teachers Can Learn About Retention from Scouting”, is presented by Dr. Mary Beth Molenaar.

Eight teachers and one guest participated in the Teachers’ Musicale at Steinway Gallery in Northbrook. Yoko Amano encourages teachers to consider performing next year.

2nd Vice-President – Sue Ioriatti reported that we have 127 members. We have a new member Susan Erickson with us today and she teaches in Arlington Heights.

Committee Reports:

AIM – The AIM Performance Exams Level 10-12 will be held at Harper College on April 23rd. Marie Rutter reported that the student and judging schedules have been published.

Marie is looking for teachers to judge AIM level 12 recitals on May 13th – two recitals in the afternoon at the same venue, and on June 8th (Thursday evening) at a student’s home in Arlington Heights. There will be a few more recitals in June, as well. Judges will be paid \$25.

A Kuhlau Complete Sonatina book was left at a previous AIM exam. See Marie if it belongs to you or your student.

Helen Grosshans has plaques, certificates and scoresheets from earlier AIM exams.

Awards Competition – Yoko Amano reported that the schedules were sent out.

Certification – A certification coffee will be held on May 17th at Jennifer Cohen’s home in Hawthorne Woods. A sign-up sheet will be passed around for those who are interested in attending.

Classical/Pop & Jazz Recitals – Some entries have been received. The deadline is passed, but Mary Anne Block will take a few more entries this week. Call her or submit entries online. The recitals will be held on Sunday, April 30th, at the Rolling Meadows Library. Yoko Amano initiated a discussion regarding non-members entering students in the recitals. Sue Ioriatti will connect with the particular non-member to see if she can help her get signed up. Mary Anne Block said that costs for entering the recital are listed on the website at \$5 member / \$7 non-member.

Festival of Pianos – Laurie Sorman reported that The Music Room in Palatine has the Festival music in stock. Maureen Flood set this up and asks us to support our local music store. As a reminder, MTNA membership must be paid by June 30th in order to participate in the festival.

Finance / Vision – no report.

Group Ticket Sales – no report.

Historian / Hospitality – Janice Wilkans sent a get-well card to Janice Larson Razaq, Carol Walgren-Georgas (for knee replacement) and Fran Onley (for broken arm). Helen Grosshans asked that a card be sent to Beverly Taylor (for a mini stroke). She came home yesterday and there will be no lasting consequences.

Independent Music Teachers – No report.

Library – Suzanne asked for recommendations of books and CD’s to include in our library.

Luncheon – Justyna Weirich will collect checks for the luncheon today (cash or check in the amount of \$27). Payment covers two appetizers and an entree choice of chicken, vegetarian, or salmon plus dessert and a soft drink. Deadline to register is one week before the luncheon. The luncheon will be held at Demetri's at Lake-Cook and Waukegan Road in Deerfield. We will start at 10:45 am with a short business meeting and installation of new officers.

Parliamentarian – no report.

Placement – no report.

Publicity – Rachel Wojcicki has prepared a video of Deb Lynch's presentation on Skype piano lessons. See Rachel if you would like her to send you access to the video link.

Scholarship – The college scholarship deadline has passed and one entry was received. Check deadline information for camp scholarship on the website or in the yearbook.

Sonata-Sonatina Festival – no report.

Website / E-news – no report.

Whitman Wonders – Helen Grosshans reported that the program is winding down for the year.

Workshop – no report.

Yearbook – no report.

Old Business – Suzanne Murray asked for nominations from the floor for the open officer positions. No nominations were received. The slate of officers compiled by the nominating committee is Second Vice President & Membership Chairman – Alexis Ross, Recording Secretary – Judith Shaltry, and Treasurer – Nancy Dempsey. Suzanne Murray asked for a motion to accept the nominations as presented. Marie Rutter so moved and Denise Dolins seconded the motion. All members were in favor.

New Business – Suzanne asked for member of the year nominations and received the following names: Brenda Buchanan, Michelle Ryder, Laurie Sorman, and Justyna Weirich. A paper ballot vote was taken, Marie Rutter tallied the votes, and the Member of the Year is Justyna! Congratulations!

Suzanne Murray was recently in Phoenix and purchased a souvenir book from Musical Instrument Museum. She brought it today if members are interested in looking through it.

Suzanne brought sample committee job descriptions for those committee chairpersons who still need to turn in an updated job description.

Marie Rutter made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Brenda Buchanan seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.