

General Meeting Minutes 02/20/17

Suzanne Murray called the meeting to order at 09:53am. Jerry Dolins noted a change that needed to be made to his report from last month. The January minutes should read that we have 10 new members and that we lost 20 members this year. The January minutes were then approved.

Treasurer: Chyi-Ling Evans reported that the ending balance of the Harris Bank account as of 2/19/17 was \$13,315.42. As of 12/31/16, the Fidelity Investment account value was \$21,096.49 and as of 1/31/17, the Fidelity account value was \$21,425.98.

1st Vice-President – Christopher Goldston is our speaker today. The topic is “Yes, you CAN teach composition”.

2nd Vice-President – We have 125 members with no new members joining this month.

Committee Reports:

AIM – Helen Chang gave a report of the recent AIM exams. All students passed and the average scores are in the February newsletter. You can pick up your student exams from her today. Thank you to Helen and to Joan James for their hard work in organizing the event.

Suzanne Fleer will send out an email to the level 12 teachers about writing program notes. The deadline is coming up.

Awards Competition – no report.

Certification –no report.

Classical/Pop & Jazz Recitals – The recital is April 30th and the registration deadline is April 16th. Send pop and Jazz checks in the amount of \$5 to Mary Anne Block.

Festival of Pianos – This year will be the 24th consecutive festival. Repertoire will be out next month and all information is online. Deadline to register is June 30th and membership must be paid in full by June 30th to enroll. Maureen Flood will ask The Music Room if they will keep our festival music in stock.

Finance / Vision – no report.

Group Ticket Sales – no report.

Historian / Hospitality – Please send relevant newspaper articles to Janice Wilkans.

Independent Music Teachers – The program on March 20 will be given by Deb Lynch and Rachel Wojcicki. Deb will talk about how to use Skype in a piano studio and Rachel will discuss building a traveling studio.

Library – no report, but there will be a report coming in March.

Luncheon – no report.

Parliamentarian – no report.

Placement – no report. But Joan Drolet took orders for Clavier Companion magazine. A group subscription costs \$20 for 6 issues. Checks should be made out to Joan.

Publicity – Rachel suggested that we share the NWSMTA FB page (workshop information), so it goes out in our news feed. There is a graphic on FB and also a PDF in case you want to print the workshop poster at home for your studio.

Scholarship – Scholarship information is on the website.

Sonata-Sonatina Festival – no report.

Website / E-news – no report.

Whitman Wonders – no report.

Workshop – Peter Mack is the workshop clinician on March 5 and 6th, 2017. Lunch will be ordered from Simply Delicious and the workshop will be held at Countryside Church in Palatine. Brochures will be mailed to members. Deb Lynch will check into having Justin (ISMTA) send out an email blast. Flyers were distributed to members.

Yearbook – no report.

Old Business – no report.

New Business – MTNA national conference is in March.

New officers need to be elected for next year for the offices of 2nd Vice President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer. Nominating committee members are Maureen Flood, Brenda Buchanan, Laurie Sorman, Deb Lynch, and Marie Rutter.

Vivian Pintacura had esophagus surgery, but is home and doing well.

Deb made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Maureen seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned.