

General Meeting Minutes 05/15/17

Suzanne Murray called the meeting to order at 11:00 am. She called for a motion to approve the April minutes. Deb Lynch made the motion to approve, and Carol Walgren-Georgas seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer: Chyi-Ling Evans reported that the Harris Bank ending balance as of 5/14/2017 was \$16,024.04. For the month of April 2017, the Fidelity Investment beginning account value was \$21,818.23 and the ending account value was \$22,080.18. The change value from last period was \$261.95.

1st Vice-President – Brenda Buchanan attended a donor appreciation event at Harper College as a representative of NWSMTA.

2nd Vice-President – Sue Ioriatti reported that we have 127 members, but only 54 have renewed their membership so far. Renewals need to be received by June 30th in order to participate in the Festival of Pianos.

Committee Reports:

AIM – Helen Grosshans reported that AIM had a successful year and that there will be a change in fees next year.

Marie Rutter reported that she ordered the awards for AIM Levels 10-12, but there will be a delay in receiving them.

Awards Competition – Olga Ulitsky reported a successful awards competition and that 80 students participated. It was determined that she will need to turn in a work order next year, so that Harper employees will do the event set-up. She would like to hold the event earlier in the year, but will need to coordinate any date changes with AIM committees.

Certification – A certification coffee will be held on May 17th at Jennifer Cohen's home in Hawthorne Woods.

Classical/Pop & Jazz Recitals – Mary Anne Block reported that 7 teachers and 17 students participated in the Pop & Jazz Recital. She would like to see participation improve next year.

Festival of Pianos – Marcia Mally reported that is the 25th year for the festival and that she is actively seeking a chairperson replacement for the 26th year. Repertoire and entry forms are available online.

Finance / Vision – no report.

Group Ticket Sales – no report.

Historian / Hospitality – Janice Wilkans reported that scrapbook pictures for 2014-2015 are now on the website.

Independent Music Teachers – No report.

Library – Suzanne Fleer reviewed some new materials that are now available in the library. Anything that is checked out at the luncheon can be kept over the summer and returned at the September meeting.

Luncheon – Justyna Krafft-Weirich welcomed all members to the luncheon and thanked everyone for the honor of being voted Member of the Year!

Parliamentarian – no report.

Placement – no report.

Publicity – no report.

Scholarship – The college scholarship was awarded to Alissa Cox, student of Maureen Flood. Suzanne Murray read a thank you note that was received.

Sonata-Sonatina Festival – no report.

Website / E-news – no report.

Whitman Wonders – Helen Grosshans reported that they are finished with parent recitals with over 20 students participating.

Workshop – no report.

Yearbook – no report.

Old Business – Suzanne Murray reported that the person originally nominated for 2nd VP and Membership Chairman had to step down, so Laurie Sorman has agreed to take the position. Marie Rutter motioned to accept the change and Sue Ioriatti 2nd the motion. Laurie Sorman and the new Recording Secretary, Judith Shaltry, were both installed as new officers and Nancy Dempsey, Treasurer, will be installed at a later date.

Committee chairs need to send annual reports, budget requests and job descriptions to Suzanne Murray. Forms are available on the website.

New Business – Thank you to Deb Lynch for her work on the monthly newsletter. Please send any news you might have to her over the summer.

Maureen Flood reported that Kenneth Drake will have a recital on June 3rd in Freeport. She will send more details in an email.

Judith Shaltry is in need of a cello teacher and a tenor voice teacher for her business, North Shore Music Masters. Jerry Dolins offered to help her contact cello and voice teachers who are members of ISMTA and NWSMTA.

The meeting was adjourned.