May 16, 2016 – General Meeting Minutes

Maureen Flood called the meeting to order at 11:00 am. No one had any changes to the April minutes, so Brenda Buchanan motioned to accept the minutes and Deb Lynch seconded the motion. All were in favor of accepting the minutes from the previous meeting.

TREASURER – Chyi-Ling Evans reported the following:

Harris Bank has a balance as of \$17,867.41.

Edward Jones has a balance of \$19,239.12 (Cash = \$12,504.15 and Mutual funds = \$6,734.97).

Chyi-Ling found some mistakes on the Profit / Loss statement, so she will fix these and re-send. Please keep records of check requests / deposits and turn in the original receipts to her.

1st **VICE PRESIDENT AND PROGRAM CHAIRS** – Please turn in committee reports and job descriptions to Maureen Flood, before the board meeting in June. Today's meeting will be followed by the luncheon.

2nd VP AND MEMBERSHIP CHAIR – Sue Ioriatti reported that we have 134 members. Jerry Dolins reminded us to send in our MTNA dues by June 30th.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

AIM COORDINATOR – Helen Grosshans has AIM exams to be picked up. Cash awards will be given when the plaques are distributed.

AWARDS COMPETITION – No report.

CERTIFICATION – The certification coffee has been cancelled, but Jennifer Cohen will be happy to mentor anyone who is interested.

CLASSICAL / POP & JAZZ RECITALS – Nine teachers and twenty-six students participated in the classical recital. Eight teachers and twenty-one students participated in the pop / jazz recital.

FESTIVAL OF PIANOS – Marcia Mally encouraged teachers to enter their students. Deadline for entering is June 30th. Palatine Music Center has the repertoire available.

FINANCE – no report, but Maureen sent an email to Rick Lowe and she thinks that Suzanne Murray and Rick will need to meet regarding the Edward Jones account.

GROUP TICKET SALES – no report.

HISTORIAN/HOSPITALITY – no report.

INDEPENDENT MUSIC TEACHERS – A great opportunity is available for someone to chair or co-chair this committee. It is a once a year commitment of providing a program.

LIBRARY – Suzanne Fleer reported that the library has three new books entitled <u>Playing Beyond the Notes</u>, <u>Pianism</u>, and <u>Learning Strategies for Musical Success</u>.

LUNCHEON – Thanks to Justyna Krafft-Weirich for hosting today's luncheon at Sun Shui Fine Chinese Cuisine & Sushi in Arlington Heights.

PARLIAMENTARIAN – no report.

PLACEMENT - no report.

PUBLICITY – no report.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP – no entries this year.

CAMP SCHOLARSHIP – there were 4-5 winners of a camp scholarship.

SONATA-SONATINA FESTIVAL— no report.

WHITMAN WONDERS – no report.

WORKSHOP – no report.

YEARBOOK – no report.

OLD BUSINESS – The new officers were installed by Parliamentarian Marie Rutter. New officers are:

Suzanne Murray – President, Brenda Buchanan - 1st VP & Program Chair, and Lily Zhang - Corresponding Secretary.

Gavel will be given to Robin Meredith-Kramer's family at a later date.

New Business – Robin's son Zach has contacted Justyna and will donate all of Robin's music to NWSMTA. Justyna is planning to have the music at her home. Teachers can make an appointment to come and view it and perhaps offer a free will donation, which will be given to Robin's medical fund. It was suggested to include Ruth Petersen's donated music in this "fundraiser" for Robin as well.

The memorial for Robin, called The Gathering, will be held on June 2 at Church of the Incarnation, in Arlington Heights, from 11am to 7pm.

Thank you to outgoing and ongoing officers! Marcia Mally presented Maureen Flood with a trophy for stepping in as President this year.

Maureen asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Deb Lynch so moved and Denise Dolins seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.