General Meeting Minutes 11/28/16

Marie Rutter moved to approve the minutes from the October meeting and Vonnie Mrozinski seconded that motion. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer: The Edward Jones account was closed on October 13th, 2016. Chyi-Ling Evans received the check of \$19,377.08 and deposited it on October 24th,2016 at Harris Bank. On 10/28/2016 a deposit in the amount of \$21,000 was made to Fidelity Investment (\$7,000 for Fidelity Balanced and \$14,000 for Fidelity Strategic Income). The market value changes month to month. The value as of 10/31/2016 is \$20,994.90. The ending balance of Harris Bank as of 11/27/2016 is \$10,876.63.

1st Vice-President – The program for January will be given by Dr. Bruce Berr and he is open to topics to be discussed. Please submit ideas to Brenda Buchanan by Dec. 1.

2nd Vice-President – The membership is at 124 members. A new member was introduced. The holiday party is at Sue Ioriatti's house on Monday, Dec. 5th, at 10 am. Bring a plate of cookies to share.

Committee Reports:

AIM – Fran Onley reported on Levels 1 -2 Complete and levels 3– 4 Theory. 28 teachers enrolled their students. 7 students are requesting a makeup. Scores are posted on the website and the average score was 92.44%. For future reference, please make sure that student names are entered correctly so that certificates do not have to be re-made. Certificates were awarded for performance completion only. Pins are for those who completed the theory exams. Medals are for first time students only.

Helen Chang reported on Level 5 – 12 Theory to be held on January 29th at Harper College. The registration deadline is December 15th. Please enter your students' information online but send the check to Helen. All teachers who enter students must volunteer. Please consider encouraging your older students to help out for volunteer hours. We are always short of volunteers in the morning.

Helen Grosshans advised teachers to make sure their AIM materials say REVISED to make sure they are teaching their students from the current book. The revision 2015 is for technique and performance. She is looking for committee members to help at the local and state level. Level 12 repertoire should be submitted by January 15th to Stephanie Myers.

Awards Competition – no report.

Certification – no report.

Classical/Pop & Jazz Recitals – no report.

Festival of Pianos – This committee is meeting separately today to work on repertoire.

Finance / Vision – We have moved our investments from Edward Jones to Fidelity Investment. A thank you note was sent to Marie's sister-in-law.

Group Ticket Sales – no report.

Historian / Hospitality – Janice Wilkans sent a memorial for Ruth Peterson to Our Savior's Lutheran Church and received a thank you note. She sent a donation to Journey Care as a memorial for Marilyn Crosland, and a she received a note from Stan Crosland. **Independent Music Teachers** – Contact Maureen Flood if you would like to help with the presentation in March.

Library – Library sale is today. Suzanne Fleer presented new additions to the library.

Luncheon – no report on the luncheon. \$527 was donated to Robin's family for music sold. The rest of the books were donated to the Rolling Meadow Library.

Parliamentarian – no report.

Placement – no report.

Publicity - no report.

Scholarship – no report.

Sonata-Sonatina Festival – A report was given on the Gold Medal recital and a short discussion ensued regarding the overlap between AIM and the Gold Medal recital. One possible solution is to change the venue of the festival, as the Barrington Area Library has limited availability. The committee should submit an inquiry to Deb Lynch, regarding which venues our members have access to for recitals and events. On another note, at the June 2017 board meeting we will discuss the fact that the festival always falls on the same weekend as the ISMTA conference.

Website / E-news – no report.

Whitman Wonders: The parent program is next week.

Workshop – Peter Mack is the workshop clinician on March 5 and 6th, 2017.

Yearbook – no report.

Old Business - Comments on conference sessions - AIM session was wonderful!

New Business – West Suburban ISMTA is hosting a workshop, called Performing with Poise by Paul Kenyon on February 23, 2017. A nice article about Joan Drolet was in the Daily Herald recently.

Deb Lynch motioned to adjourn the meeting and Carol Walgren-Georgas seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 10:39 am.