

The September 9, 2019 board meeting was called to order at 9:45 a.m. Treasurer Midori Kim passed out the Profit & Loss statement to members, and a list of frequently asked questions to the treasurer, regarding deposits and check requests.

Long time member, Marianne McGraw passed away recently, and her daughter requested that any donations made to NWSMTA should be directed to the our Camp Scholarship fund. These donations are not shown in the current budget.

Diane Adamek mentioned that the loss for the Festival of Pianos will be \$200, but that shortage will be covered by the Northbrook Symphony.

AIM

Helen Grosshans reports that there are no co-chairs for the November and January exams. For the time being, those exams will not be scheduled, but Helen hopes to proceed if volunteers for those positions come forward. Former co-chairs will help the incoming volunteers.

AWARDS COMPETITION

The Awards Competition will take place, and Olga Bornovalova and Olga Ulitsky will be lining up a speaker for the October meeting.

CERTIFICATION

Jennifer Cohen reports that one of our members, Laurie Sorman, has been recently certified, and will be reimbursed half of her registration fee.

HOSPITALITY

Janice Wilkans was unable to be here, but it was noted that Fran Onley's brother died, Kathy Sbarboro's father, too. Diane Adamek has recently had a procedure on her knee, and thanked everyone for cards and well-wishes.

LIBRARY

Suzanne Fleer plans to have a Library sale in October. VHS tapes will be available for purchase. There is a level 2 Celebration Series available, as well.

LUNCHEON

The luncheon will take place on May 18th, Justyna is still looking for the restaurant to book.

MEMBERSHIP

Annie Artinian is traveling and Maureen Flood is filling in for her. There are 118 members as of today. The New Member Coffee will take place on October 7 at Annie's home. Discussion about attracting new and younger members; Rachel Wojcicki will create a Google survey for teachers under age 40 (about 12 in our group) and ask if they have suggestions or ideas for meetings and activities.

PROGRAMS

Jennifer Cohen reports that she has heard from new member, Elizabeth Lieberman, who suggests small teacher musicales before the start of the business meeting, 9:35 - 9:40 a.m. on a regular basis. Elizabeth will perform with her duet partner, and if other teachers are interested, contact Jennifer. Also, Jennifer has planned the annual teachers' musicale for April

13, the day after Easter. This will take place at Elizabeth Lieberman's home, and there is seating for about 18 guests.

TREASURER

Midori Kim reports that she has received \$1010 so far from MTNA for memberships.

ALL THAT JAZZ

Rachel Wojcicki has suggested prospective date of June 14, 2020, for the event. This is Father's Day, and she and the committee think that the date will be appealing to dads as a family outing.

SONATA-SONATINA FESTIVAL

The deadline is October 7, and the Festival is November 3. There was discussion about whether or not to raise fees for next year. North Shore MTA is at \$30. Also discussed was whether or not non-members should be limited to 3, and possibly that could be increased.

Deborah Lynch moved to accept the budget, and Jennifer Cohen seconded

REPORTS

AIM

The committee met during the summer and discussed photocopies.

1. No downloaded or photocopied music will be allowed.
2. The student must provide a copy of the music if not memorized, and judge will dispose of it.
3. The AIM workbooks will be downloadable. All students must bring the whole workbook for transposition.
4. Student must bring either the original copy or the workbook with his/her name on it.

In summary, no photocopies will be allowed. Students will receive an "incomplete" if they bring photocopies, but could still advance the following year.

Level 12 date for completion has been extended to July 31.

The fees will change to \$30 per exam. Students giving a recital will pay more, \$50, for the judges fee.

No late registrations will be accepted after deadline.

Teachers ONLY may contact co-chairs.....No parents.

At the time of this board meeting, there are no co-chairs for certain levels, and there will be no exams at those levels unless volunteers step up to fill the positions.

AWARDS

The recital for Awards winners has been set for Saturday, April 25th, at the Rolling Meadows Library. As of right now, there is no repertoire program scheduled for the October meeting, but the co-chairs are working on finding someone to present.

This year, there will be no workshop, no IMT Meeting. Members will be encouraged to attend the MTNA Conference in Chicago.

OLD BUSINESS

Marie Rutter, Brenda Buchanan and Vonnie Mrozinski met to discuss the bylaws revision. They suggested allowing 20 or 22 people at the meetings to constitute a quorum, since fewer members are attending meetings. The bylaws will be on the website, and the changes will be presented to the general membership, that voted on at the October meeting. Deb Lynch moved to change the number to 20 for a quorum, and Suzanne Fleer seconded. All voted in favor. This will be sent out by email and announced at the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Carol Walgren-Georgas reported that Mary Anne Block sent a thank you note for the \$1000 donated to her charitable foundation, Music Blocks, and as a thank you, 2 tickets will be donated to NWSMTA to attend a recital by Llewellyn Sanchez in a Barrington Hills Home on September 21st.

Deb Lynch made a motion to adjourn and Marie Rutter seconded. Meeting was adjourned.