

**CNYAMT Board Meeting- Pebble Hill Presbyterian Church
Friday, June 11, 2014 - 9:30am**

Present: Patricia Box, Sue Edwards, Bernadette Kessler, Linda Yonteff, Barbara Irwin, Amy Heyman, Phil Eisenman, Jim Krehbiel, Arvilla Rovit, James Lee Vatter, Gayle Ross

Patricia Box, current president and Sue Edwards, former president welcomed members.

Minutes from the May 7, 2014 and June 4, 2014 were presented by Dana DiGennaro. Jim Krehbiel made a motion to approve both sets of minutes with the addition of a Junior Pro Art discussion to annual meeting minutes. Linda Yonteff seconded the motion. With the addition of the single change, the minutes were approved as presented.

- Annual Meeting Report
 - Banquet – Dana DiGennaro reported that the luncheon was a big success, but that it is very expensive to put on. There was some discussion on how to best use the budget set aside for the luncheon. There was a discussion of ideas to hold the recital and luncheon at a different location, but there are always problems with acoustics and the lack of a piano at many locations. Phil Eisenman suggested that we start a list of priorities for the event. Barbara Irwin has an idea to hold it at a catering facility. It was also discussed that we move the banquet to the evening. Patricia Box suggested that we form a committee to discuss banquet ideas. Barbara Irwin has agreed to chair the banquet next year and Bernadette Kessler will assist.
- Voting of Officers
 - A slate of executive officers was presented to the board for their consideration. The slate consisted of Patricia Box, President, Barbara Irwin and Bernadette Kessler, vice presidents, Linda Yonteff, Treasurer and Dana DiGennaro, Secretary. All present voted in favor of these officers.
- Committee Chairs (working to fill vacant committee chairs)
 - Banquet – Barbara Irwin
 - Events and Workshops – each person holding an event will do their own planning, committee work and publicity.
 - Competitions – Amy Heyman will continue
 - Publicity – This job will be absorbed by committee chairs.
 - Website – Sue Edwards will be happy to help with the website after she moves. Michael Hanley was suggested as someone who could possibly help out.
 - Music at the Mall – Bernadette Kessler will chair and Gayle Ross was suggested as a helper.
- Sponsors
 - Suggestions for next year include LeMoyne College, Cazenovia College, Oswego, Manlius Pebble Hill and Pebble Hill Presbyterian Church.
 - Sponsors for 2014-2015 will pay a \$100 fee. There will no longer be different levels.
- Tuning
 - Jim Vatter will arrange tuning for all recitals, Amy Heyman will arrange tuning for all of the competitions and workshop chairs will arrange their own.
- 2014-2015 Schedule planning.
 - A large part of this meeting was spent determining the dates of next year's

CNYAMT schedule of events.

- Jane McGrath workshop
 - The workshop will take place on September 13, 2014 at Syracuse University, Setnor School of Music. The fee will be \$60 for the day for members, \$75 for non-members and SU students will be free. Amy Heyman has contacted Alfred to help with the fee as a sponsor. Steve Heyman has asked SU for \$250. Jane's fee will be \$1100 including her expenses. A flyer will go out soon.
- Friday Morning teacher gatherings
 - Steve Rosenfeld and Jim Vatter would like to book a get together every month. The first meeting will take place on September 19, 2014 at 10:00 am. Topics for discussion will include brainstorming for future topics, finding hosts, etc. Location suggestions included Panera, Wegmans, public libraries, etc., so there won't always need to be host. The second Friday of the month was suggested for future meetings. Phil Eisenman and Jim Vatter will work together to alternate some meetings in the evenings and some in the morning.
- Informal and themed recitals
 - Jim Vatter will arrange recitals with the following suggestions for themes: Animal, ensembles, the lighter side. (Friday, May 15, 2015 was a suggested date, at Artist Piano, 6:30 pm)
- A local Suzuki piano group has asked to merge with CNYAMT to create a younger student oriented division. Jim Vatter will arrange a committee to discuss options.
- Sonatina/Sonata competition/festival
 - CNYAMT has been asked to partner with Syracuse University to chair a Sonatina/Sonata Competition for pianists chaired by Patricia DeAngelis. The date would be May 16, 2015 and the money for the event is already available from the former DeAngelis Competition.
- Summer Committee Meetings
 - Budget – Linda Yonteff, Patricia Box and Dana DiGennaro
 - Competition – Amy Heyman will arrange.
 - Scholarship – Patricia Box will arrange.

Auditor – tabled for next meeting

Events/Workshops/Masterclasses - tabled for next meeting

Compensation for Accompanists - tabled for next meeting

Changes in Merit Scholarship requirements - tabled for next meeting

Meeting was adjourned at 11:37 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Dana DiGennaro, recording Secretary

Officers and Committees:

President – Patricia Box

Vice President of Education – Bernadette Kessler

Vice President of Administration – Barbara Irwin

Vice President of Communication – Bernadette and Barb will work to split of the responsibilities of this job.

Treasurer – Linda Yonteff

Secretary Recording – Dana DiGennaro

Secretary Corresponding – Dana DiGennaro

Recitals – Jim Vatter

Banquet – Barb Irwin

Scholarship – Patricia Box

Membership – Jim Krehbiel
Competitions – Amy Heyman
Sponsorship – Barbara Irwin
Sunshine- Suzanne Sweeney
Website – vacant
Telephone – Barb Irwin
Historian – Linda Yonteff
Everson Piano Committee – Phil Eisenman
Barnes and Noble – Patricia Box
Music at the Mall – Bernadette Kessler