

**CNYAMT Board Meeting - NSEA 210 South Main Street, North Syracuse
Board Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, September 13, 2017, 9:30am**

Present: Dana DiGennaro, Bernadette Kessler, Patricia Box, Phil Eisenman, Barb Irwin, Gayle Ross, Mary Ellen DiPietra

Bernadette Kessler, president, welcomed members and called the meeting to order at 9:32 am.

Dana DiGennaro, secretary, presented the meeting minutes from the June 7, 2017 annual luncheon and the June 14, 2017 meeting. Phil Eisenman made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Pat Box seconded the motion. All were in favor of approving the minutes as presented.

Mary Ellen DiPietra, treasurer, presented the treasurer's report for the summer. Not a lot to report over the summer.

Balances

Checking account - \$6,249.39

Scholarship account - \$2,438.37

Lincoln Annuity - \$17,311.04

Edwards Jones account - \$13,763.08

2017/2018 Budget

Mary Ellen presented the new 17/18 budget. Much discussion took place about the details of the budget. Mary Ellen will make the changes that were discussed and we will vote on the new budget at the next meeting.

Membership

50 active members have renewed, 15 still need to renew.

6 auxiliary members have renewed, 3 still need to renew.

16 honorary members.

8 active spouse members have renewed.

98 total members at this time.

3 new members, Kat Jenks, Mary Whittington, Christine Klemperer

Year at a Glance Confirmation

The updated schedule is available on the website.

Website

Pat said that everything is updated. No forms yet, but dates are updated.

CNYAMT Signage

Brand new signs were presented that were purchased from Voss signs, that look great.

Total spent was \$328.85.

We updated one sign (with the new logo), and purchased two new ones (a retractable table top and a floor design).

A question arose, should we share our membership information with Civic Morning Musicals? We need to ask permission of our members, but CMM can certainly take our public information from the website.

Tri-fold

Pat will update the tri-fold and present it at the next meeting.

Competitions

The competition committee met over the summer. Dana gave an overview of the minutes.

The piano and scholarship competition forms are still needed for the website.

Events/Workshops

Off the Bench workshop given by Pat Box.

September 22nd at 10:00 am

6 people signed up

Instrument Discovery Zone

October 21st at 9:30 am

Heidi Kovarik will be the new chairperson.

Barb Irwin will speak to Tony DeAngelis, to see if he'd like to help out.

Community Outreach

Friday, September 22nd at 6:30

Park Terrace

Teresa Mirakian is the fall chairperson and Mary Whittington is the spring chairperson.

Barnes & Noble

Pat has posted the updated schedule on the website.

Recitals

Halloween Recital

Sunday, October 22nd at 2 pm

Liverpool Library

Barb Irwin is the chairperson.

Low signups so far. Barb will send out a reminder.

100-year Celebration of William Gillock

Jim Vatter will chair, no date yet.

Masterclasses:

Jim Vatter has suggested the following masterclasses, but we cannot move forward without more information and a proposed budget.

Flute: Annette Farrington - November 4th

Piano: Dimitri Novgorodsky - Fall

Piano: Jacob Ertl - Winter/Spring

Scholarship

Pat Submitted a grant proposal to the Syracuse Rotary for \$1,500 for camp scholarships.

She also received an email from Syracuse Sounds of Music letting her know that it is time to submit a new application for grants this year. What will we apply for for a grant? We need ideas on what to apply for.

Sponsorship

There is some confusion about competition sponsors, and how it affects regular sponsorships.

If chairpersons are arranging sponsorships, please let Barb Irwin know.

She will send out some new recruiting letters, for new sponsors.

Corresponding Secretary

There has been a recent change in our Constant Contact account for the amount of people assigned account user access. These people have been allowed to work on emails and the newsletter in the past. Constant Contact changed our plan, and are only allowing one account user for our price point, although we previously were allowed four. Dana contacted Constant Contact and they have reinstated our ability to have four account users.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:18 am.

The next board meeting is Wednesday, November 8th at 9:30, NSEA