

**CNYAMT Board Meeting- Pebble Hill Presbyterian Church
Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, June 10, 2015, 9:30am**

Present: James Krehbiel, Amy Heyman, Jessica Tumajyan, Bernadette Kessler, Barb Irwin, James Lee Vatter, Linda Yonteff, Patricia Box, Gayle Ross, Phil Eisenman, Pat DeAngelis

Meeting called to order at 9:35 a.m.

Patricia Box, president, welcomed members, including new board member Jessica Tumajyan.

Dana DiGennaro, secretary, presented the board meeting minutes from May 13th and the annual meeting on June 3rd. Jim Krehbiel made a motion to approve the minutes, Linda Yonteff seconded the motion. Both sets of minutes were approved as presented.

- Luncheon/Annual Meeting
 - Barb Irwin reported that the event went very well, and thanked the committee for their hard work.
 - The food was excellent, the setting was lovely.
 - The only complaint was the sound system.
 - 40 people attended, with 41 reservations.
 - We came in under budget.
 - She would like to boost the numbers and get up to 50 for next year.
 - The Scores for Scholars sale was a success, earning \$375+\$195 that came in before the luncheon. The total was \$570.
 - Sign-ups for upcoming events went well.
- Membership
 - 40 people renewed their membership at the banquet.
 - One new member, Irwin Goldberg.
- Voting of Officers
 - Jim Krehbiel made a motion to accept the slate of officers as presented by Pat Box. Amy Heyman seconded the motion. All present were in favor of accepted the slate as presented.
- Treasurer
 - Linda Yonteff is resigning her position, and we've had no volunteers at this point. Should we hire a bookkeeper?
 - Barb Irwin has a friend that might be willing to be our bookkeeper.
 - She could come to the meetings, but is that necessary?
 - It was suggested that we ask her what her fee is, or pay her by the hour.
 - Starting July 1st, all committees will be required to fill out an expense report that will be sent to the treasurer for each event.
 - Barb will speak to Mary Ellen DiPietra about her fee.
 - Phil Eisenman moved that we authorize Barb to speak to Mary Ellen about becoming the CNYAMT treasurer. We also authorize Barb to discuss with Mary Ellen a potential fee. Gayle Ross seconded the motion. All present were in favor.
- Filling committee chairs
 - Recital chair – Amy Heyman will be the chairperson, Jim Vatter will assist.
 - Publicity – Bernadette Kessler is willing to do this if the committee chairs

send her the information and all she has to do is submit it to local papers, etc. Or people can continue to do their own.

- Photographer –
 - Rosalie Spitzer has volunteered to help when she can, but will need to be reminded of events.
 - Edgar T. was also suggested. (Jessica will check to see what dates he is available.)
 - Phil Eisenman may be available for some events.
- Setting Dates for next year's events
 - Patricia Box used a working copy of Year at a Glance.
 - Board meetings, recitals, competitions, teacher therapy, etc.
 - Amy Heyman will book all of the recitals at the Everson.
 - Jim Krehbiel will book the Temple Concord instrumental winner's recital.
- Technology Workshop
 - Patricia Box would like to hold a technology workshop.
 - She will do it at her house, Friday, September 25, in place of teacher therapy. Pat will check with Steve Rosenfeld to be sure that it is OK with him.
 - Pat can handle 10-12 people for the workshop. She will check the interest of members.
- Setting of dates for summer committee meetings
 - Amy will work to set up a summer competition meeting.
- Budget /Auditor
 - We need to set a date, but the new budget meeting can't happen until later in the summer.
- Competitions
 - Competition financial reports.
 - The expenses for the 3 competitions plus the scholarship competition are way over the amount that comes in for income.
 - This needs to be discussed at the committee competition meeting. How can we lower the expenses? Should we ask for people to donate prize money and then name the prizes after them? We could also ask our members to be a prize donor.
- Events/Workshops
 - Sonata/Sonatina
 - Do we want to have this next year?
 - This year the event was paid for by money that was already set aside for it, but that money is now gone.
 - We would like to table this discussion until we settle the budget.
- Amazon smile
 - We need to remind the membership to sign up and use this as an easy fundraiser.
- "Self Check-Up" on Recitals
 - In regards to our mission statement, we need to finish the discussion on the "Recording of Recitals".
 - Should we continue to record these recitals for the archives?
 - Times are changing and families want to record their own children.
 - The competition committee will make a recommendation to the board of how to proceed with this for the future.

- Everson
 - The staff has changed completely recently.
 - They don't know the history or relationship with CNYAMT/CMM.
 - They are strapped for money, and are wondering why are we using the facility for free?
 - Norma Tippett, president of CMM has met with the Everson staff. There is a good feeling, but there is still not an understanding of whether it is necessary to have high quality music there.
 - We need to cultivate the relationship. Should we co-advertise our events with the Everson publicity? (arts adventure)
 - The piano is in good shape. Bob Lee has reported that there should be no upcoming expenses.

Bernadette made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:35. Phil seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

The next board meeting is September 9, 2015 at PHP.

Respectfully submitted by Dana DiGennaro, recording secretary.