

**CNYAMT Board Meeting- Pebble Hill Presbyterian Church
Board Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, April 13, 2016, 9:30am**

Present: Patricia Box, Dana DiGennaro, Jim Krehbiel, Amy Heyman, MaryEllen DiPietra, James Lee Vatter, Jessica Tumayjan, Bernadette Kessler, Phil Eisenman, Gayle Ross

Patricia Box, president, welcomed members.

Dana DiGennaro, secretary, presented the minutes from the March 2, 2016 board meeting. Jim Krehbiel made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Jim Vatter seconded the motion. All present voted to approve the minutes, with the addition of Amy Heyman added as the chairperson of the piano competitions.

Treasurer's report from MaryEllen DiPietra

\$100 payment due to the treasurer, every other month for treasurer fee.

\$500 donation received from Artist Piano for prizes for the piano competition – Amy and Pat sent thank you notes.

Lincoln Annuity

The interest income has been rolled into the total that should be used for the scholarship competition prize. We are working to add MaryEllen to the fund, as a user. That way she can get the dividend moved over to the scholarship fund.

There are two outstanding checks from 2015 – Joshua McKennis, Jeremy Park.

The FM Musical check has not been cashed.

Checking account balance – \$9,092.05

Scholarship account balance – \$3,242.28 (plus upcoming \$500 deposit from Piano and Organ Center)

Piano competition questions from Amy Heyman. \$150 for listed under piano competition should actually be assigned to the scholarship competition. MaryEllen should also add a line item for office supplies and food.

Year at a Glance updates

Change of date of Vocal Competitions/Senior Scholarship Winner's recital. It has been moved to May 15th at 3:30. Jim V. will confirm with the Everson and the scholarship winner.

Membership

We have a new member, Tina Oyer Ponce, violin.

Patty Thompson renewed.

Piano competition

Entrance fees collected total of \$785.

Tunings \$95 – just one needed for both competitions.

Total participants, 23 in 4 divisions.

Conflicted this year with the Science Olympiad, so both competition days will be in March next year.

Scholarship Competition

Only one entrant this year, Christopher Spinelli.

He made a you-tube video of his playing, in lieu of an in person audition.

Steve Heyman watched the video and wrote comments.

Christopher was awarded the \$1000 prize.

Only expense was judging fees, \$100 to Steve, and \$50 to Daniel Hege for cancelling.

Violin Masterclass

March 7th

Went well, only 20 people in attendance.

Income \$125 from participants and \$110 from the vase.

\$225 of grant money went to the class.

We need a commitment from teachers in the area to get better attendance.

Spring Playathon

April 2nd

13 teachers, 112 student performers.

Income \$1520, including \$500 from Piano and Organ Center.

POC did not charge us for any expenses.

10:30 – 5:00.

Received a new membership, from the Suzuki violin group.

Really liked the venue, as opposed to the mall.

Well publicized in the newspaper, etc.

Committee was able to set up the space on Friday.

Plenty of help from the committee.

Vocal Masterclass

April 9th

Marcus Haddock and Kathleen Haddock

11:00-1:00

Gayle Ross had a great committee.

25 attendees, 7 participants

\$37 donated in the vase.

\$400 fee, \$75 for church

Wonderful event

Community Outreach

The Hearth at Greenpoint, Liverpool

April 16, 1:15 p.m.

4-5 studios signed up already

About 1 hour and 10 minutes of total music

We will have the piano tuned, can we be reimbursed by The Hearth at Greenpoint?

Instrumental Competition

April 30

14 applications so far

Wendy Mehne, from Ithaca College and Ahreum Kim, from SUNY Oswego are the judges.

Vocal Competition

May 7

Deadline April 16th

Only one application so far

Julie Newell and Ryan Endres will be the judges.

Piano Workshop

Masterclass with Catherine Rollin

November 12, 2016

Start telling your students, location TBA

Artist Pianos Recital -The Lighter Side

Saturday, May 21 2:00, casual attire

Everson Piano Committee

Update from Phil and the committee (Pat Box, Neva Pilgrim, Phil, Barb, Jim Vatter)

The committee feels that we should stay committed to the 1/3 ownership of the piano.

CNYAMT should continue to work with CMM and SNM to find a new home for the piano.

CNYAMT should try to limit events to be held at the Everson.

Phil made an outline draft document about the background of the arrangement between

organizations, with an update of what we the committee feels is necessary for the future.

This was the first step, next is to meet with CMM and see how to proceed.

Some possible venues were suggested.

CMM has also formed a committee to investigate.

The Everson will likely be available for the next year, if we intend to use it.

Sponsorship

New sponsor, Bradley's jewelers

Luncheon

June 1st

Drumlins Country Club, same as last year.

Members are free.

Scholarship – merit and camp deadline is May 1

Corresponding Secretary

Feeling frustrated with the April newsletter that wasn't delivered to all members through Constant Contact.

Publicity

Liverpool High School musical ad submitted.

Website

Pat is still working to improve the visibility of the website during internet searches.

Sunshine

Please send a card to Dave from Piano and Organ Center for open heart surgery.

OTHER BUSINESS

Voss sign/vase who needs next? Jessica – sign only, then instrumental competition. (Pat will bring everything with her when she attends.)

Jim would like to add some recitals for Suzuki students, or for beginners and intermediate students.

Board Positions for next year...suggestions for new members?

Linda Yonteff will be retiring from the board, but could continue with historian.

Jim Vatter has completed 3 consecutive terms.

We need at least 2 new board members.

MaryEllen suggested the building where she works in N. Syracuse would be available for a free space for meetings, etc.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

The next board meeting is Wednesday, May 11, 2016, 9:30, PHPC