

CNYAMT Zoom Board Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, Jan. 12, 2022: 9:30am

Present: Bernadette Kessler, Mary Ellen DiPietra, Joanne Mroczek, Phil Eisenman, Gayle Ross,
Mary Whittington, Robbie Padilla, Kim Farrell, Barb Irwin

Welcome members: Bernadette Kessler, President:

Correct and approve minutes from November meeting: Motion: Kim F. Seconded: Mary Approved

Treasurer Report: Mary Ellen DiPietra

Membership: Phil Eisenman: New: 1 Members: 54 Spouses: 6 Honorary: 18

Calendar/Web/Social Media/News: Joanne Mroczek

Chairs are to check their web pages and send edits to Joanne. Recital videos are posted. All competition, festival, and tuition assistance applications and PayPal payment are now online and will be emailed to chairs as they are submitted.

Events/Workshops/MasterClasses

- Holiday Recital Report: Kim Farrell

11 Teachers and 65 Students participated. Valentine's recital is dedicated to 1st Responders, posted on YouTube and sent to various agencies. Kim will look into publicity for this recital (Bridge Street, Syracuse.com, etc.) Mother's Day recital is booked. Guidelines will include video submissions and program to be submitted by deadlines with no exceptions.

- Friday Morning Forum: Mary Whittington

Robbie gave a great presentation on Method Books with a chart to compare levels between publishers. Mary gave examples of method book title and lyric changes to reflect cultural awareness. She also showed publications with great examples of World Music. Discussion included World Music Recital in May.

- Vocal Masterclass: Gayle Ross

Scheduled for 5pm on January 14 at OCC. Proof of vaccination is necessary for all participants and audience members.

Festivals

- Baroque, Classical, & Sonatina Festival: Lynn Moroz

Scheduled for March 12, Artists Pianos. Judge is Pej. Online payments and applications are in the process of being completed.

Competitions

- Piano Competition: Amy Heyman, Ya-Wei Tseng

There are 4 Divisions with Amy, Ya-Wei, Bernadette, & Robbie, each in charge of one division. Judges are Asami Hagiwara and Gary Fisher

- Instrumental Competition: Dana DiGennaro/James Krehbiel

- Vocal Competition: Neva Pilgrim/Gayle Ross

Mary Ellen will set up PayPal as advised by chairs with divisions and member/non-member fees for both Instrumental and Vocal Competition.

Scholarship & Assistance

- Senior Scholarship Competition: Dana DiGennaro

Applications and web site page is updated.

- Merit Scholarship: Barb Irwin

- Student Lesson Tuition Assistance: Bernadette Kessler

The need for assistance is on-going and a great benefit to students. We have supported 111 lessons and applications are open to teachers at any time.

- Summer Camp Tuition Assistance: Bernadette Kessler

Applications due May 1st. Hopefully camps will be open this summer.

- Instrument Tuition Assistance: Bernadette Kessler

Kim has agreed to Chair this Committee. Application is being finalized and will be sent in a member email asap. Both Artists Pianos and Piano and Organ Center are supporting this with matching gifts toward an instrument purchased at their stores.

Grants: Bernadette Kessler

Bernadette and Mary Ellen have submitted all information for the SSMA grant. Bernadette appreciates the support and edits of the committee.

Scores for Scholars: Open Position. Scheduled for 11 am on the date of the Luncheon.

Annual Luncheon: Barb Irwin

Barb is in the process of researching Drumlins for the banquet in regards to the new management, food quality, and price to decide to have the event there in June.

Sponsorship: Barb Irwin

8 paid sponsors for this year.

Sunshine: Suzanne Sweeney

No Report

Historian: (Open Position)

NEW BUSINESS

Nomination Committee for President Elect

Bernadette's term ends June 30th and Kim Farrell has been nominated by Mary Whittington. Bernadette and Kim will Co-President for the upcoming year.

Board Member Recommendations are welcome at any time and can be submitted to Bernadette.

Vase & Signs: Vocal Masterclass

Adjournment: 11:10 a.m.

The next board meeting: Wednesday, March 9: 9:30 Zoom

Respectfully submitted,

Gayle Ross, Recording Secretary