

LRMTA Minutes Monday, May 8th, 2017, Stephure Hall, Casa

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Christine called the meeting to order in Stephure Hall at Casa. There were 9 members present: Lorrie Wittke, Doreen Laing, Marilyn Sinclair, Betty Jo Radley, Karen MacDonald, Christine Rogers, Linda Dickey, Andrew Gierulski, and Cheryl Hudak.

Karen moved the acceptance of the agenda with Linda seconding. Betty Jo moved the acceptance of the April minutes as circulated with Marilyn seconding.

Karen gave the account balances as of April 30th: Operating Account: \$4365.35 and the Awards Account: \$2313.81. The Practise-a-thon funds have yet to be transferred from the Operating Account to the Awards Account. Upcoming expenses include the 2nd Best Buy gift card for the Practise-a-thon grand prize tie, the examiner's lunch, logo update, U of L recital stage manager, and Magda Adamek workshop expenses. The local fees received back from ARMTA have been deposited. Christine and Linda volunteered to be auditors for the financial books during the summer. Karen and Christine will meet to update the records.

The Music Festival will take place March 12-24th, 2018 and the registration deadline is Jan. 10th, 2018.

Thank you to ARMTA Continuing Education and the University of Lethbridge Conservatory of Music for their sponsorship of the Magda Adamek workshop. Also thanks to Betty Jo for hosting Magda at her home and to Linda and Doreen for arranging for their students to play for Magda during the collaborative portion of the workshop! We appreciate everyone's support and participation in the workshop!

Christine will follow up on the SOCAN fee issue.

Pianist Stewart Goodyear will be the featured clinician at Music Conference Alberta in Red Deer, Oct. 26-28, 2017.

Christine has submitted information to the Allied Arts Council for a feature article on LRMTA for ArtsBridge Magazine.

Christine will look into difficulties contacting Derek Chiu by email.

There will be no coffee and conversation this month.

Christine arranged for an updated nameplate for the Long and McQuade information board for Brenda Lockmuller and is in the process of updating our directory and website.

Kate LaRocque will be pursuing a master's degree and will no longer be able to manage our Kijiji ad. Christine and Lorrie will work on making sure it continues. Thank you to Lorrie for volunteering and thank you to Kate for helping with our advertising!

Christine is in the process of confirming our logo update with Stephanie Shank.

Our final Adult Get-together will be Saturday, June 3rd at 10:30 a.m. at Betty Jo's at 810 Kodiak Bay North. Please let Betty Jo know if you have students who wish to participate.

Final arrangements are being made for our Saturday, May 27th Recital in the University of Lethbridge Recital Hall. The recital will begin at 2:30. Final details will be circulated by email. Christine and Lorrie will be the convenors. Names can be sent by email to either by Wednesday, May 24th. Students may submit second selections.

Our Canada Music Week Recital will be Saturday, November 25th at 2:30 p.m. in the Lethbridge Public Library. In honor of Canada 150 this will be an **all Canadian Program**. We will use our CFMTA Branching Out grant to offer 3 door prizes of \$50 each (cash) to students participating in the recital. Students' names will be drawn at the end of the program.

We will be exploring presentation/workshop ideas for next year including the possibility of offering activities for our string and voice teachers and students.

Volunteers are needed as to take tickets, hand out programs and usher at the Centric Festival from July 5-8. More details will be circulated by email.

A workshop with Jesse Plessis will take place at the home of Linda Davies on Saturday, May 13th from 1:00-3:30 p.m. in 2 sessions. We will be receiving a grant from ARMTA Continuing Education so the charge for students will be \$10 each. Christine will work with Betty Jo and Linda Davies to schedule students. Christine will arrange snacks with Linda between the 2 sessions.

Please let Karen know if you are able to volunteer for the Piano Class Festival.

The lunch with the RC examiner has been tentatively arranged for June 12th at 12:30 p.m. A notice will be sent out by email. Thanks to Betty Jo for making arrangements!

Our next meeting will be Monday, September 11th at 10:00 a.m. at Long and McQuade.