LRMTA Minutes Monday, September 11th, 2017 Long and McQuade

Check out the website for updates and information regarding upcoming events and meetings at <u>www.lrmta.com</u>

Christine called the meeting to order at Long and McQuade. There were 8 members present: Marilyn Sinclair, Betty Jo Radley, Brenda Lockmuller, Tamara Bowie, Christine Rogers, Linda Dickey, Andrew Gierulski, and Cheryl Hudak.

Brenda moved the acceptance of the agenda with Linda seconding. Betty Jo moved the acceptance of the May minutes as circulated with Tamara seconding.

Christine gave the Treasurer's report in Karen's absence. The account balances as of September 11th are: Operating Account: \$937.31 (which includes the \$250 City of Lethbridge Grant for Canada 150), and the Awards Account: \$5700.81. Thank you to Christine and Linda Dickey who volunteered to be auditors for the financial books during the summer. Christine presented the Annual Financial Report which she and Karen had prepared. Christine moved the acceptance of the Annual Financial report, seconded by Cheryl. Thanks to Karen for her continued work for our group as Treasurer!

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

Christine reported on recent ARMTA developments. Karen MacDonald is no longer able to continue as our ARMTA Board Rep. Thank you to Karen for her service in this role for our Branch! Brenda is interested. Christine will contact her with information.

Music Conference Alberta takes place at the Red Deer Sheraton, October 26-28, 2017. Featured this year is prominent Canadian pianist Stewart Goodyear who will present a lecture-recital on the Beethoven Piano Sonatas. He will also lead a masterclass and give a keynote address on Canadian Musical Identity. For more information follow the link: http://www.musicconferenceab.ca/studio-sessions.html

Registration is available on the MCA website: <u>http://www.musicconferenceab.ca/delegate-registration.html</u>

Christine will continue to follow up on the SOCAN fee issue.

Christine has arranged items in the Library Showcase just inside the main entry way. We have the showcase booked for the month of September through the Allied Arts Council. Take a look if you are at the Library this month! An article and photo appear on page 5 of the most recent Library *Happening* Magazine.

Christine has submitted information to the Allied Arts Council for a feature article on LRMTA for ArtsBridge Magazine. It will appear in the AAC 60th Anniversary edition next year.

Our next coffee and conversation is set for Thursday, September 21st, at 9:30 a.m. at Linda Davies' home at 1260-5th Ave. S. (Not 5A). Please call Betty Jo at 329-1655 or Linda at 328-6085 to let them know if you will be attending. Our October coffee and conversation will be tentatively booked for Thursday, October 12th. At this time we will disburse the awards.

Christine made a presentation to music students at the U of L Student Orientation on September 6th.

University of Lethbridge Department of Music: 50 years of Music and Music Making Anniversary Symposium and Gala Concert, will take place Thursday, September 28th to Saturday September 30th. There are a number of sessions and events planned during the weekend that might be of interest.

https://www.ulethbridge.ca/notice/events/50-years-music-and-music-making-u-l-musicsanniversary-symposium#.WbGvUXaGPcs

https://spark.adobe.com/page/HGBg9yjhNXbQC/

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

Our Canada Music Week Recital will be Saturday, November 25th at 2:30 p.m. in the Lethbridge Public Library. <u>Please note: In honor of Canada 150 this will be an all Canadian Program.</u> 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. Christine applied for a City of Lethbridge Canada 150 Grant and we received \$250 for our CMW recital. Christine presented a draft budget including posters, pencils, iTunes cards for more door prizes, and cake for a reception. Brenda moved we move forward with plans and Linda seconded. Tamara will look into arrangements for the cake. Tamara, Marilyn and Betty Jo will be convenors. Tamara will take names and make up the program. Betty Jo and Marilyn will help with the door.

The Christmas recital activities will take place on December 9th in Betty Jo's Studio at 810 Kodiak Bay N. The adult meeting will be at 9:30 and the student performance will take place at 10:30. Brenda will be convenor with Betty Jo. Please call Betty Jo and let her know which of your students will be attending. (Reminder: this is no longer a drop in format: all students are to arrive for the 10:30 start time.)

Our Festival Prep Recital is booked at the Library for Saturday, March 10th, 2018 at 2:30 p.m.

We will be determining awards in memory of Joan Milton to be presented at our Annual Awards Presentation. Marilyn has contacted her son, Davin and he will be available to help with the presentation.

Keys to Piano will take place at Casa on March 2nd and 3rd, 2018.

Christine has been following up on an invitation for a workshop by Christopher Norton. After discussion Cheryl moved and Linda seconded that we continuing with organizing details. It will take place on Thursday, October 26th from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. in the Theatre Gallery of the Public Library, Main Branch. All teachers and students are welcome. The fee will be \$20 for teachers and \$10 for students. Christine will confirm arrangements and develop promotional materials. Mr.Norton's presentation will cover the following topics: his approach to composing; introduction to his compositions, and introducing students to improvisation in the lesson.

Christine presented information regarding a possible fundraising recital featuring local piano duo John-Paul Ksiazek and Graeme Roset, both graduates of the University of Lethbridge and Conservatory teachers. Brenda moved that we go ahead with arrangements and Betty Jo seconded. They will present a program featuring Mozart's two piano sonata and a two piano arrangement of Gershwin's Rhapsody in Blue. It will take place in the ATB Financial Community Room at Casa on Saturday, January 27th at 7:30. Details will be finalized and confirmed.

All handouts are available on the LRMTA website at: http://lrmta.com/index.php/informatio/membersteach/member-documents/

The APTA Conference will take place September 29-30th in Red Deer. For more information follow the link: <u>https://aptaonline.net/apta-conference/</u>

Branch awards are due on or before the next meeting, October 2nd. Please use the current form which includes the photo release information. It is available on the website. http://lrmta.com/files/4614/7987/5257/Branch Awards Submission Form with photo permission 2015.pdf

All entries must use the application form. Contact Christine if you need a hard copy.

Long and McQuade will be moving to a new building sometime in the New Year. We may need to find an alternate location to meet. Betty Jo offered her studio if needed. Our next meeting will be Monday, October 2nd. Details regarding a musician wellness presentation by international experts in lieu of our meeting will be circulated as soon as they are available.

Minutes prepared by Christine Rogers

Our next meeting will be October 2nd. Details of location will be circulated when determined. We are currently planning a presentation organized by Peter Visentin from the University of Lethbridge with a panel of international experts regarding musicians' health and prevention of music related performance injuries.