

LRMTA Minutes Monday, May 2, 2022, Zoom Meeting

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Christine called the Zoom meeting to order and welcomed those participating. There were 7 members present: Brenda Lockmuller, Deanna Oye, Christine Rogers, Betty Jo Radley, Tracy Bozzi, Tamara Bowie, and Linda Dickey. Thank you to everyone who attended! Thank you to Betty Jo for taking notes for the minutes!

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

Christine gave the Treasurer's report. The account balances as of April 28: Awards Account: \$2693.59 and Operating Account: \$1254.90. There is still one outstanding awards cheque. Christine has been in contact with the parent. The ARMTA String Competition award donation cheque has been debited from our operating account. We will receive our local dues from ARMTA once they have been processed by the ARMTA administrator. Tamara and Tracy offered to audit our financial records during the summer after the financial summary has been prepared. Christine moved the acceptance of the Treasurer's report with Brenda seconding.

No new information regarding the [Lethbridge and District Music and Speech Arts Festival](#). If you have any comments, feedback or suggestions regarding the Festival phone: (403) 381-6512 or contact the General Manager, Megan Wittig: email at: generalmanager@lethmsf.org

[ARMTA](#) News: A new ARMTA logo has been created and a redesign of the ARMTA website has been launched. More information regarding new opportunities will be shared with teachers when available. Visit www.armta.ca Please view information on scholarship availability and deadlines at: <https://armta.ca/scholarships/> Every branch will have \$400 of ARMTA Continuing Education funding for workshops or other events for the coming year.

CFMTA Online Conference *Connecting Canada* will take place July 8th and 9th. Registration opens April 1st. For more information: <https://www.cfmta.org/en/connecting-canada-2022/>

The [RCM Teacher Portal](#) is still open to all teachers at this time.

Our next virtual coffee and conversation date is Friday, May 6th at 10:30 a.m. Details will be circulated to members by email.

Information regarding University of Lethbridge Fine Arts events can be found here: <https://www.uleth.ca/fine-arts/event-season>

Ticket information for events can be found at the following link: <https://uleth.universitytickets.com/>

Information regarding Lethbridge Piano Intensive is available on the University of Lethbridge Conservatory website under **Courses and Programs**. Final detailed schedule and information to register to audit the course will be posted as soon as confirmed. Contact Deanna Oye with any questions Deanna.Oye@uleth.ca

<https://www.ulethbridge.ca/music-conservatory/programs>

Lethbridge Piano Intensive is a summer intensive piano program for students of all ages! Students should register for the program that best fits their skill level. Students will work with artist-teachers from the University of Lethbridge Department of Music and Conservatory of Music in one-on-one lessons, duet, duo or trio coaching, rhythm workshops, master classes, and also expect to participate in social activities (eg. pizza party), extended technique workshops, and musician's health sessions. This program will culminate in a final public concert in the University's beautiful recital hall on July 9 in the afternoon and there are also plans for a downtown pop-up concert during the week, featuring students from this program.

Student time commitment: **Intermediate-Advanced, July 4-8, 9-6pm**, and **Junior, July 4-8, 9-12pm**. In addition, there will be a welcome faculty concert on July 3 (late afternoon), and a student concert on July 9. Zoom (online) options are also available for those who cannot spend the entire week in Lethbridge, with the same time commitments. Detailed daily schedules will be sent out in June.

Although this program is non-auditioned, we are happy to provide feedback on the program that best suits your skill level (email the artistic director, Deanna Oye at Deanna.Oye@uleth.ca).

Piano teachers and parents are welcome to audit the sessions or choose to enroll in our adult program which includes 2 days designated to adult piano students. **Adult sessions will run on June 11 and 18 from 9am-6pm**, and adults can also audit the other LPI sessions as well.

Registration deadline: June 3.

Fees:

- *Intermediate/Advanced: \$650*
- *Junior: \$350*
- *Adults: \$125*
- *Intermediate/Advanced Exclusively Online: \$350*

Please visit our website (www.LRMTA.com) regularly and notify Christine if you would like any updates for your listing.

Thank you to Tamara who has begun a Facebook advertising campaign which will take place during the months of May, June, and August for up to \$300. Ideas for promotional material to be included in the ads can be sent to Tamara at: gtbowie@telus.net

Our final general recital will be an in-person recital with restrictions which will take place on Friday, June 3rd at 7:00 p.m. at Andrew's Presbyterian Church at [1818 5 Avenue S](#). Details will be finalized and circulated to members. The adult group activity will take place on Saturday, June 4th, at 1:00 p.m. in the Theatre Gallery of the Lethbridge Public Library. Betty Jo has offered her personal studio booking to adult students of other teachers. Thank you, Betty Jo! Please contact Betty Jo if you have adult students who would like to participate at: b.radley@shaw.ca

Our **Annual General Meeting** followed. Betty Jo moved that we accept the following nominations for the executive for the 2022-2023 year:

Brenda Lockmuller: President
Lorrie Wittke: Vice-President
Christine Rogers: Secretary
Christine Rogers: Treasurer
Mary Lee Voort: Corresponding Secretary
Lorrie Wittke: Provincial ARMTA Branch Representative

The motion was seconded by Linda Dickey. All in favor. Carried.

Thank you so much to all the above for agreeing to serve our organization! Christine will begin the transfer arrangements for bank signatures.

A Policies and Procedures review will be done in conjunction with the executive transition planning.

Keys to Piano has been cancelled for 2022. Students of RMT's will be invited to other events organized by the Conservatory. Information will be circulated when available.

Brenda has initiated an RCM book exchange program for students. Contact Brenda at bjlockmuller@gmail.com if you or your students have RCM books to sell or if you have students in need of used books.

Our next meeting date in September will be determined and information circulated.

Minutes prepared by Christine Rogers and Betty Jo Radley