MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER September 11th, 2006 at the home of Christine Rogers

Meeting called to order by Christine Rogers. Present were Christine Rogers, Linda Dickey, Marilyn Sinclair, Joan Milton, Andrew Gierulski, Betty-Jo Radley, Corrie Hausauer, Linda Loose, Alma Davies, Cheryl Hudak, Doreen Laing and Karen MacDonald.

The Agenda was approved by Karen and seconded by Linda D. Approval of the June Minutes was proposed by Doreen and seconded by Joan.

Corrie gave us the Treasurer's report: Chequing account has \$646.07 and the Scholarship Account now has \$2,892.74. Corrie moved and Linda L. seconded to adopt the Treasurer's report as read. Copy card has been updated and is kept at Copy desk at Staples.

Andrew reported that they are looking forward to a successful new season of the Family Concerts Association – he will keep us posted.

Kiwanis Festival update by Doreen - they are looking for names for adjudicators for Plan B (submit to her). The Festival will run March $19 - 31^{st}$.

AMEF exam achievement awards are given in 3 age categories for excellence of marks in the previous exam year (December 05 to August 06). The prizes vary with the age groups as follows:

Beginner	Introductory to Grade 4	\$50
Intermediate	Grades 5 to 8	\$100
Senior	Grades 9 to ARCT	\$150

It is not necessary to be a member of AMEF for your students to qualify. Please submit your candidates to Christine at the next meeting or before October 5.

Under Old Business a variety of topics were revisited:

The Business License question is still very much alive. Christine gathered more representative fees from other communities, and a letter basically saying the City of Lethbridge was going to ignore our requests was passed around for members to read. Marilyn Sinclair has made contact with representatives of the Allied Arts Council regarding this matter. We are not giving up!

Marilyn Sinclair reviewed the By-laws and has asked us to read them through and give her some input at the next meeting.

New Business:

The APTA conference runs from September 29-30 in Red Deer. Please contact Doreen if interested.

Marilyn passed around a sign-up sheet for the various recitals throughout the year to get convenors. A finalized copy of this will be provided next month.

Magazine subscriptions were discussed; Marilyn proposed dropping the Clavier subscription as it appears to be fraught with miscommunications and confusion. We will keep on with the Keyboard Companion as it was voted the most useful publication.

The fund-raiser Practice-A-Thon was discussed and "kits" were handed out. These kits are available on line. Thanks so much Christine for your efforts in having this project prepared for our first meeting!! It will run October 16 -21^{st} , the Grand prize will be a \$200 Gift Certificate from A & B Sound (we voted on this at the meeting), and there will also be prizes from the Music Court, the Lethbridge Symphony, Leister's and Note-able Music. Thanks to Corrie for a lovely colourful poster for this event!

November awards presentation will be looked after by Linda Loose assisted by Karen. Please bring applicable marks to October meeting. The period covered is December 05 to August 06.

Christine will check with Lorrie Witke to see if her idea of adult gettogethers is still current.

It was agreed that Paul Thompson would be invited to our October meeting to give a presentation on Piano Tuning.

Jan of Note-able music donated 8 pieces of sheet music for our branch to draw for door-prizes at our meetings. Corrie won the September copy.

The University of Lethbridge will be presenting theory groups this fall if you have any students appropriate to this; they are currently offering History 3 as well as Rudiments. Call 329-2304 if interested.

Next Meeting – Note-able Music October 2 at 9:30. See you there.