

MINUTES LRMTA MEETING, Monday, Feb. 7, 2006

The meeting held at Noteable Music was called to order by Christine Rogers. 11 members were in attendance: Christine Rogers, Alma Davies; Lorrie Wittke; Andrew Gierulski; Corrie Hausauer; Betty Jo Radley; Joan Milton; Marilyn Sinclair; Doreen Laing; Linda Dickey and Karen MacDonald.

January minutes were approved by Marilyn Sinclair, and seconded by Doreen Laing.

Corrie Hausauer Gave us the Treasurer's report: the balances remain unchanged at Chequing account: \$355.56, Scholarship Account: \$2,993.42 Regarding the \$10 per member to update website, Corrie has no answer to this as yet. Corrie moved and Linda seconded to adopt the Treasurer's Report as read.

Andrew told us that the next concert of Family Concert Association will be held March 17, and will be aimed at a broad spectrum of performing arts to include speech and ballet as well as piano.

We have the dates of the Kiwanis festival; Doreen was able to tell us that the adjudicators will be:

Jason Cutmore – senior piano

Denise Miller – junior piano

Roxanne Bingham – Plan B

The opening of a sacred class was mentioned.

ARMTA news: Linda was not present. We were told that a budget meeting is planned for this weekend, and Joan is planning to attend, and will report next meeting.

Business Licenses: Lorrie Wittke detailed for us the very unpleasant experience she has had with the City of Lethbridge By-Law officer. It sounds as if this is a subject far from resolution, and we will continue to monitor the situation.

Christine contacted Deanna Oye, who said she would give a masterclass late April or early May. Christine will pursue this to come up with a date. Those with students who would like to participate can let Christine know. We will be using the U. of L. Recital Hall for our general end of year recital. It was suggested that a University student could be a guest artist at one of our recitals. Presentation to U of L students will be made again this year by Christine and Corrie to let the music students know about our organization in the hopes of attracting new members. Doreen

would like Christine to pursue the topic of our students performing in a studio recital at the U of L.

High School Special Projects Credits: No response yet.

Federal Tax Receipts: as outlined in the article in CFMTA magazine, this is an ongoing subject.

Website update: Corrie reported that the pages have been added to the website and it is “finished”! He would like us to check it out and give him any feedback. It is easily reached at LRMTA.com. Thanks to Corrie & Charmain for all their work on this.

Brochure update – Corrie again reports that the new brochures are ready to go and just need to be printed. We have changed suppliers for the new plaques to Trophy’s Unlimited and the new ones will be ready shortly.

Christine, Betty Jo and Joan went to lunch with the examiner and reported a very nice time, and that the examiner was very willing to answer questions about the exam process. She said she was having a great time in Lethbridge.

Upcoming recitals:

Festival Preparation: Sat. March 11 @ 2:30 p.m.

Betty Jo and Lorrie will convene

May Recital: final Adult Recital is proposed for June 3rd with Lorrie in charge

The end of year General Recital will be May 6th or 13, depending on availability of dates. Christine will explore this. Karen MacDonald offered to help at the event.

Piano Class Festival: Marilyn brought copies of the syllabus for everyone; the dates will be May 15 – 19 and May 23 – 26. All classes will be held in the Library and the Adjudicator will be Dave Mikuliak. Karen is going to get together with Marilyn with the idea of helping out this year in order to become more involved in the future.

Even although our request did not exactly fit the parameters for the Rotary Club Small projects grants it was decided to apply anyway. It seemed they were looking for a more long term cause, with more recipients. Any money we received would go into our awards account. Christine will pursue this.

Doreen Laing and Marilyn Sinclair will revisit the topic of Bylaw review, perhaps as a summer project.

Apró E. T. Tapes Available – contact Christine. These are formatted with beginning band students in mind, but as they contain mostly music dictation they could be very valuable to any discipline.

Allied Arts Council: civic arts policy forum – Christine is planning to attend a meeting this Thursday, and will report at the next meeting.

Nominating Committee for Annual General Meeting in April. Please think about the need for a nominating committee, and also consider taking on a position yourself.

Our Dues are needed by the end of March. If we bring them to the next meeting, Corrie will take care of submitting them.

Local Fee - \$35

Provincial Fee - \$110 (?)

Doreen Laing brought a new series of Theory Books to our attention. Notable music will most likely be carrying them. They are put out by a Terry Hardless.

Marilyn reminded us that the Canadian Music Writing Competition is on as we speak, the deadline is March 31st. Entries may be given to either Marilyn Sinclair or Joan Milton, as they are the conveners for this event.

Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting date March 6.