Minutes LRMTA Meeting, Monday, May 4th, 2009 Note-able Music

Christine called the meeting to order. Present were Brenda Lockmuller, Joan Milton, Betty Jo Radley, Christine Rogers, Tamara Bowie, Amberly Steed, Cheryl Hudak, and Marilyn Sinclair.

The agenda was approved by Tamara and second by Brenda L. The minutes were approved by Betty Jo and seconded by Joan. Christine gave the Treasurer's report as prepared by Carol Bishel. The operating/chequing account balance is \$827.43 and the Savings/Awards account is \$1501.50. The report was adopted by Joan Milton with Betty Jo Radley seconding.

Carol Bishel's new phone number is 403-320-2097.

Any comments regarding the proposed revisions to ARMTA membership guidelines should be forwarded to our provincial rep, Karen MacDonald before September 20th. Christine will recirculate the document.

The AMEF fees have been paid. Eleven members participated in our group membership.

The Allied Arts Council offers an Information Fair in conjunction with Art Walk. This will take place on Saturday, September 19th from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Galt Gardens. The purpose is to promote organizations to the public and advertise upcoming fall classes and events. The cost will be \$15.00 with a \$50.00 refundable deposit. Betty Jo offered to man a table on behalf of our branch. Any other members interested in being involved on that day for a few hours can contact Betty Jo or Christine. Christine will take care of booking the table and final arrangements will be made at our September meeting. Copies of our brochure and possibly our directories will be available as well as having our RMT banner for display. Another idea was to have a lap top available to show our website. If anyone has any other ideas, please contact Christine.

We will try to organize a morning coffee discussion for the fall.

Updated brochures are being prepared by Corrie.

Christine and Renee Werenka met to go over the new website. Thanks again to Renee for taking on this responsibility for our branch. If you have any ideas for things to add to the website, please contact Christine or Renee.

The Piano Class Festival will take place from May 11-May 22nd. The adjudicator is Stacy Kwak from the University of Lethbridge.

- Monday, May 11th: morning session (Note-able) and afternoon session (Library)
- Wednesday, May 13th: morning session (Note-able) and afternoon session (Library) evening session (McKillop United Church)
- Thursday, May 14th: morning session (Note-able) and afternoon session (Library)
- Friday, May 15th: morning session (Note-able)
- Tuesday, May 19th: morning session (Note-able) and afternoon session (Library)
- Friday, May 22nd: final concert, McKillop United Church

Please call Karen MacDonald at 403-553-3365 and volunteer as secretary to the adjudicator if you are available for a session. Help at the final concert would also be greatly appreciated.

Our Final General Recital will be Saturday, May 9th at 2:30 p.m. at the U of L in the Recital Hall W-570. Deanna Oye will be there to let us in. Convenors are Joan Milton and Lorrie Wittke.

The Adult Recital will be Saturday, May 30th at 10:30 a.m. at Note-able Music. The convenors are Doreen Laing and Linda Dickey. No program is printed for adult recitals, but please let convenors know who will be playing so they know how many to expect.

Our new executive for 2009/2010 will be as follows:

President: Christine Rogers
Vice President: Linda Dickey
Treasurer: Brenda Lockmuller
Secretary: Tamara Bowie

• Corresponding Secretary: Mary Lee Voort

• Phoning Committe: Andrew Gierulski and Cheryl Hudak

Thanks to Carol Bishel for her contribution as Treasurer and Karen MacDonald for her contribution as secretary. We welcome Brenda Lockmuller and Tamara Bowie to the executive and thank them for coming forward to take on these responsibilities for our branch. Christine will continue for one more year as president. A replacement will be needed beginning September 2010.

There is still interest in a benefits package. Apparently there might be a chance that executive members of our branch would be eligible to participate in the Chamber of Commerce program. Cheryl Hudak and Brenda Lockmuller will continue to look into this to see if anything might be arranged.

We will be holding a practise-a-thon in October. Christine will prepare the materials and arrange for prizes for the categories. It was suggested that members hand out forms to all their students and have them participate in the practise portion even if they don't participate in the pledge/fundraising portion. This should increase the chances of families donating to our awards program. Tamara moved that we spend \$200 on prizes. This was seconded by Betty Jo. Carried.

Joan Milton and Betty Jo Radley will make arrangements to purchase a painting to be donated by our branch to the CFMTA silent auction. Betty Jo moved and Brenda L. seconded that we spend up to \$50. Corrie will take the painting to the National CFMTA Conference.

Betty Jo will make arrangements with Lou Joss for the RC examiner luncheon in June. Members will be notified.

Brenda moved and Cheryl H. seconded that we spend \$30 on a gift certificate for Jan and Case Boskers as a thank you. Christine will make arrangements.

Our next meeting will be a breakfast potluck at Christine's house at 1621 Lakeshore Road S. on Monday, September 14th at 9:30 a.m.