

Lethbridge Registered Music Teachers

Minutes for November 1st, 2010

Our meeting began at 9:30 with a welcome by Christine. The meeting was called to order: in attendance were: Brenda Lockmuller; Isabelle Slater; Joan Milton; Betty Jo Radley; Linda Dickey; Lorrie Wittke; Doreen Laing; Alma Davies; Christine Rogers; Marilyn Sinclair and Karen MacDonald.

Agenda was approved by Linda and seconded by Brenda. Karen MacDonald agreed to take minutes for the meeting.

Approval of October minutes was moved by Joan and seconded by Doreen. Thanks to Brenda: a fulltime secretary still needed.

Treasurer's Report was presented by Brenda: Chequing Account balance is at \$521.65 and our Awards account stands at \$2,156.97. Karen moved and Isabel le seconded to adopt the report as read.

Kiwanis Festival – no updates at this time. Dates are April 4-16, 2011.

ARMTA news: accreditation discussion and ARMTA website display. At this time only accredited subjects will be displayed in bold type, with “subjects taught” in ordinary font. ARMTA is requesting that branches change their website displays to match the Provincial. A number of members do not agree with the lack of theory accreditation. This will be discussed at future meetings. Christine will try to gather more information on the requirements of becoming accredited in theory.

We are encouraged to make use of the ARMTA/CFMTA logo and will try incorporating it in our stationery when the current batch is finished.

Joan took a branch photo for Judith Ammann.

AMEF news: website: www.amef.ca Joan reminded us of the upcoming Music Conference Alberta Nov. 4-6 Red Deer and encouraged all to attend.

AMEF: achievement awards have not yet been confirmed but will be presented at our Canada Music Week Recital and Awards Ceremony; Christine will deal with the application for CMW funds.

Christine reminded us of the Allied Arts Council's existence and its function in the Community. At www.artslethbridge.org we can check upcoming events.

Our contact for RCM in Lethbridge is Lou Joss: 403-328-1730. Due to changes at Long & McQuade, a venue for upcoming exams may have to be found. We will be notified when a decision is made.

CMW activities: \$50 is available from CFMTA to celebrate Canada Music Week. Tamara will arrange for a cake and Christine will pick up other supplies.

CMW recital: Saturday, November 27th at 2:30 p.m. at the Public Library

- convenors Marilyn Sinclair and Karen MacDonald: have entries in by Saturday, Nov. 20th

- program : AMEF, AFA, CFMTA acknowledgements will be included on the program; Christine has paper for printing the program.

Annual Branch awards: \$1200-1300 disbursement is available for awards allocation by Marilyn Sinclair and Doreen Laing. Christine, Brenda and Isabelle will meet at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 20th to prepare the cheques for the awards at Brenda's home. Her address is 1220-8th Ave. S.

Practise-a-thon: Feb. 7th -12th, 2011: Christine and Tamara are working on soliciting prizes for the practise-a-thon. Everything will be ready for the January meeting. All members are encouraged to participate by handing out forms to their students.

Bylaws Review: a sub-committee will meet in January to put together the next draft for presentation to members.

Lucien Needham Workshop: enjoyed by all who attended; he was pronounced wonderful, entertaining and informative and amazing for his years!!

Performer's Club: It was decided to combine the coffee meeting with the Performer's club and will meet Nov. 15th 10:00 a.m. at the home of Linda Davies at 1260 5th Ave S. **The Coffee/Performer's Club meeting was postponed to Monday, November 22nd at 10:00 a.m. because of Linda being sick.**

Recitals:

- December Adult Recital will be held Dec. 11 at 2:00 p.m. at Betty Jo Radley's home at 810 Kodiak Bay North near the north side Walmart. Head North on 28th street N. Take the first left onto Kodiak Gate. Take the next left onto Kodiak Blvd and then the next left again into Kodiak Bay. Use the East, side door. Call Betty Jo to let her know if you have students who will participate at 329-1655.
- The usual Christmas Drop-in session will be at McKillop United Church Dec. 18 from 2 – 4 p.m. Call Marilyn Sinclair if you have any questions at 329-9188.
- Festival Preparation Recital: Saturday, March 26th at 2:30 p.m. Library. Convenors Lorrie Wittke--one other volunteer still needed.

New Business:

It was decided to pursue planning to host the winner of the provincial round of the CMFTA National Piano Competition. Marilyn will find out more details from the provincial convenor and will meet with Christine and Brenda on November 20th after the award preparation meeting.

Congratulations - Linda Davies is a member again! add to directory: linda.d.davies@shaw.ca 403-328-6085.

Next Meeting date: January 10th, 2011 at 9:30 a.m. Long and McQuade