Minutes LRMTA Meeting, Monday April 14th, 2003

Lorrie Wittke brought the meeting to order in the recital hall at Note-able Music. There were 11 members present.

The agenda was reviewed and adopted with additions. Under new business: 7g) budget and 7h) RCM workshop. Betty Jo moved the adoption of the agenda with additions. Seconded by Barb Hignell. Carried.

Edith took the minutes in Christine's absence. Thank you to Edith. Doreen moved that the minutes be adopted as circulated. Seconded by Linda Dickey. Carried.

Corrie gave the treasurer's report. The balance in our savings account (scholarship) is \$1450.29. The balance in our chequing account is \$301.73. This does not include the membership fees. Betty Jo moved the acceptance of the treasurer's report. Seconded by Joan Milton. Carried.

Lorrie gave a business license update. She has paid her City of Lethbridge fees because of the threat of being ticketed by the licensing department. The licensing officer informed Lorrie that teachers will be under surveillance and tickets will be served during teaching times.

Joan Milton will be coordinating updates for our web page. Lorrie will ask her husband if he would be willing to help us find someone to assist Joan.

Corrie reported that he has new forms for signboard plates. These will be available for new members and those members that need changes.

Andrew reported that the recent Family Concert recital was very successful with a good atmosphere and a variety of performances.

After discussion Betty Jo Radley moved that our awards presentation for the highest first-class honors marks be made at our Canada Music Week recital in November. Seconded by Marilyn Sinclair. Carried.

The Great Human Race fundraiser for AMEF will take place the second weekend in May. After discussion it was decided that we would send a representative from our branch only every second year. Marilyn moved that we decline to participate in this year's Great Human Race. Linda Dickey seconded. Carried. Corrie reminded members that anyone can participate regardless of whether he or she is representing a particular branch. The proceeds are in support of CFMTA conference in 2005. Joan Milton informed members that there was a possibility that she might participate. Members can send in donations on their own if they wish.

A discussion concerning the recent Kiwanis Music Festival followed. There were a number of concerns including the number of classes, the

number of withdrawals, the cost of programs, free programs for teachers, location of classes, and use of the library. Suggestions can be forwarded to Joan Milton, the provincial festival liaison. Doreen will check into free programs for teachers and a comparison of the number of entries for this year and last year.

Lorrie presented a fundraising opportunity promoted by East Side Mario's. Another idea presented was grocery coupons from IGA, Safeway, and Save-On-Foods. Organizations usually must purchase a substantial number of coupons up front. There were concerns about the affordability of this type of fundraiser for our branch.

Lorrie reported on her recent meeting with Deanna Oye of the University of Lethbridge. She is interested in promoting a working relationship between ARMTA and the U of L. There will be a Piano Pedagogy course from May 17-June 23 at the U of L. There will also be a Vocal Pedagogy workshop with Richard Miller May 30th-June 2nd.

Marilyn Sinclair moved the following slate of officers be accepted for the coming year. Seconded by Linda Dickey. Carried

President: Lorrie Wittke

Vice-President/Recording Secretary: Christine Rogers

Treasurer: Corrie Hausauer

Corresponding Secretary: Betty Jo Radley

Web Page Coordinator: Joan Milton

Phoning Committee: Andrew Gierulski and Carol Bishel

Sign Board Coordinator: Mari Alice Crofts

Next followed a planning discussion regarding the budget for the upcoming year. Corrie moved that we accept the projected budget as discussed. Betty Jo seconded. Carried.

There will be a RCM history workshop on Sept 13, 2003 at McKillop United Church. It was suggested that we send information to Medicine Hat and Cardston. The dates and times will be publicized in *Music Matters*.

The pop/duet recital will be May 10th at Note-able Music at 3:00 p.m. Carol Bishel and Joan Milton will be the convenors.

The meeting was adjourned, moved by Lorrie Wittke and seconded by Linda Dickey.

Our next meeting will be Monday May 5th, 2003 at 9:30 a.m. at Note-able Music.

Highlights and Reminders

- Our copy card at Staples is available for photocopies related to branch business. Members must initial their purchases.
- Our website address is: http://larmta.hypermart.net
- pop/duet recital at Note-able Music on May 10th at 3:00 p.m. Carol Bishel and Joan Milton, convenors
- Annual fees are past due. Local fees (cheques made out to LRMTA) are \$35 and provincial fees (cheques made out to ARMTA) are \$100.
- the awards presentation will be moved to the Canada Music Week recital.
- there are new forms for signboard plates. These will be available for new members and those members that need changes

Next Month's Agenda

- Regular items
 - minutes
 - treasurer's report
 - Family Concerts Association
- Continuing items
 - business licenses
 - CFMTA conference money: \$300 for 2005
 - old sign board
 - Rosalyn Soo Mauldin workshop
 - New members' signboard plates
 - Darryl Frank presentation on tuning
- Other items
 - Piano Class Festival
 - possible printing of branch brochure (Corrie)
 - possible fundraiser
 - year-end social
 - possible lunch with examiner
 - adult recital
 - final recital