Minutes LRMTA Meeting, Monday Dec. 2, 2002

Christine Rogers brought the meeting to order (in the absence of Lorrie Wittke) at her home at 1621 Lakeshore Rd. S. There were 9 members present.

The agenda was reviewed and adopted as printed. Edith Enns moved the adoption of the agenda. Joan Milton seconded. Carried.

Andrew G. moved the minutes of the November meeting be adopted as circulated. Betty Jo Radley seconded. Carried. Christine passed out the revised membership list. <u>Please advise her of any errors or changes.</u>

Corrie gave the treasurer's report. The balance in our savings account (scholarship) is \$560.89. The balance is deceptively low because Corrie had to write a cheque for \$900 to AMEF for the private donations so that receipts can be issued. AMEF will then write a cheque back to us. Corrie will stay on top of the transfer. The balance in our chequing account is \$174.59. We have just received our money from the Great Human Race, \$302. Corrie reported that Christine's request to 1st Choice Savings and Credit Union for funds for our awards program was successful. We will be receiving \$1000 in January. Corrie had a meeting with the bank and they have a few requests regarding publicity for their donation. These are as follows:

- An invitation to our February recital to help present the awards
- A 1st Choice Savings and Credit Union banner to be displayed at the recital
- A logo for the program
- An acknowledgement in the program
- Thank you cards from students receiving awards (the address can be included in the envelopes as we have done in the past with other donors)
- Other publicity suggestions:
 - Mark Campbell's Global noon hour interview
 - Channel 12 recording of recital
 - Student performance with Lethbridge Symphony

Christine will write a thank you from our branch. We will make final arrangements at the January meeting. The names of the private donors will also be listed in the February program. The name of Betty Jo's student that made a donation will be kept anonymous as requested. A discussion followed concerning the possibility of moving our scholarship account to 1st Choice Savings and Credit Union. Corrie will look into this.

Cheryl O'Neill made a \$25 donation to our scholarship fund. She and her family were unable to attend the scavenger hunt but still wanted to contribute. Joan Milton will send her a thank you. Betty Jo moved the adoption of the treasurer's report. Seconded by Edith Enns. Carried.

Christine gave the business license report in the absence of Lorrie Wittke. The City has in fact decided to raise its licensing fees. As of Jan. 1st, 2003, the fee for music teachers will be \$165 per year. Teresa Allred has sent an e-mail on our behalf to the Mayor and City Council. <u>All members</u> <u>are urged to send their own letters or e-mails to the Mayor and City Council.</u> It was decided that it would be best to focus on the education and discrimination issues. If you have any questions contact Lorrie at 381-1350. The e-mail addresses are on the copy of the letter by Teresa Allred and are as follows:

ryan_parker75@hotmail.com

vaala@telusplanet.net

wardsg@shaw.ca

jmauro13@shaw.ca

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dmheatherington@shaw.ca

E-mail access is also provided at the City of Lethbridge website at:

www.city.lethbridge.ab.ca

<u>Members are also asked to encourage parents and any other interested</u> <u>parties to send letters or e-mails supporting our cause</u>. Lorrie is interested in writing a letter to the editor. She will prepare a draft and e-mail it to members for feedback before she submits it. Doreen suggested an article in the paper. She would be willing to pursue it with support from other members. Lorrie, Christine, Joan would be willing to help with an interview. Doreen will also check with Linda Dickey. Marilyn reported that there were 14 performers at the Nov. 17th Canada Music Week recital. Each participant received a gift certificate. Two CD's were given away in a draw. We were able to offer these extras because of money from AMEF.

Doreen reported that at this time Chapters is not willing to put up our old signboard. She will continue to work on it.

Christine reported for Lorrie on the possible Rosalyn Soo Mauldin workshop. The timing between Rosalyn's schedule and the University's does not work out. Our branch cannot afford to have Rosalyn on her own. Lorrie will continue to pursue this for next year.

Members reported on the recent Alberta Music conference.

Linda and Doreen will report on the World Pedagogy Conference at January's meeting.

First-class honors marks were handed in to Doreen.

Andrew reported that the first Family Concerts performance will take place on January 17th at the Lakeview Bible Church. The theme will be Shakespeare and Music.

A discussion followed concerning a possible Christmas recital at Save-On Foods. Lorrie has tentatively booked Saturday, December 14th at 2:30 p.m. Call Lorrie if you have students that could play. She would prefer to have a program rather than a come and go recital.

Marilyn sent on a hello from former member Astrid Lange. Our next meeting will be January 6th, 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

- Clavier subscriptions are due. One more member is needed to get the rate of \$25 U.S. Call Marilyn if you are interested at 329-9188.

- All members are urged to send their own letters or e-mails to the Mayor and City Council regarding the licensing issue - Members are asked to encourage parents and any other interested parties to send letters or e-mails to City Council supporting our cause regarding the licensing issue

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Next Month's Agenda

- Regular items
 - minutes
 - treasurer's report
 - Family Concerts Association
- Continuing items
 - business license update
 - CFMTA conference money: \$300 for 2005
 - old sign board
 - Rosalyn Soo Mauldin workshop
 - World Pedagogy Conference report (Linda and Doreen)
 - awards recital arrangements
- Other items
 - planning of spring recitals
 - possible lunch with RC examiners
 - Kiwanis Festival deadline