

Northeast Wisconsin Piano Teachers Forum

September 13, 2019

Minutes

Attendance: Charnon, Borremans, Busse, Teegarden, Koeberl, Lueck, Cape, Cosner, Hay, Janssen, Rector

1. Meeting called to order at 9:00
2. Minutes of June, 2019 meeting were approved
3. President's Report

Michael Rector gave an inspirational welcome with reflections of his attendance at a summer conference on studies of recorded music.

4. Vice President's Report

Heidi Lueck highlighted the programs for 2019/20. Joyce Grill will present a program on Romanticism at the October meeting. A Dutch treat lunch for all interested members will follow at the Village Grill.

5. Treasurer's Report

Kate Janssen reported that a new checking account with a debit card has been activated. Current assets are \$5,370.42. The membership list will be sent via e-mail when completed.

6. Committee Reports

Festival: Maggie Charnon reported on several changes to the festivals.

Calendar: Baroque and All Star will be held on the same date: Nov 16. The recital for both is Nov. 17. All Star is at 1:00 and Baroque Honors is at 2:30. Both are held at St. Elizabeth Seton Church. Revised forms will be available on the Web site ASAP. Forms for both are due on October 25, 2019 to Maggie Charnon. No forms will be accepted after that date.

Awards and Honors Recital Changes: There is a new point system in effect for 2019/20. It will be posted on the web site ASAP. Scholarships for only 1st and 2nd place will be given out for Baroque and Classical festivals. Only the 1st and 2nd place students will perform. 3rd place winners will now be mentioned on the program as honorable Mention.

Teacher Commitment: Teachers should expect to work at least ½ of the day if they have students in the festivals.

Technique Requirements: A reduction in some of the requirements for some of the levels of the technique portion of the Classical Festival have been reduced. Nothing has been added. A new appendix A to the syllabus will be online ASAP.

Fees: Baroque fee has been raised to \$20.00. All others remain the same.

Non-member Eligibility: Non-members of the Forum are now allowed to participate in our festivals and competitions. Fees are higher for non-members and their students are not eligible for our scholarships or other awards. Barb Hay and Maggie Charnon will be visiting regional teacher's groups to encourage non-member participation. This is in part an answering to our interests in The Gathering.

Website: Deb Teegarden announced that there is no longer a need for a password to get into the members only section. Sensitive material such as the member list will be sent via e-mail. This is due to non-members needing information on festivals as well as providing transparency for non-members to explore the Forum. Several changes are being made to the format and some of the documents as well as a google calendar. When completed Deb will send out a notice.

TLC: Carola Buelow reported that condolences were sent to Carol Borremans due the passing of her father.

Historian: Deb Teegarden has arranged to have the website document and archive our historical information from now on.

7. Old Business

The Gathering: Barb Hay reported on the collaborative project slated for Fall of 2020 sponsored by The Gathering. The Forum will participate in a clinic and reception with Jesse Johnson, pedagogue from UW-Madison. Details will be worked out at the Second Gathering in January, 2020. She has also asked for suggestions for future projects and agenda items as well as how you would like the Forum to participate in and glean from The Gathering. Please send suggestions to her and we will have a brief discussion at the October meeting with your thoughts.

Summer Camp Scholarships: Kay Busse reported that her student who received a summer camp scholarship for jazz piano had a very successful experience and will be continuing in the Fall.

9. The meeting was adjourned at 9:45

Respectfully Submitted,

Maggie Charnon, Recording Secretary