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**Meeting Minutes**

**February 4, 2022**

President Barb Hay called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. We met at St. Anne’s Episcopal Church, 347 S. Libal St. in DePere.

The following were in attendance: Karen Cape, Carol Borremans, Maggie Charnon, Heidi Lueck, Kay Busse, Barb Hay, Abby Cosner, Deb Teegarden, Laurie Karnopp, Sally Angell, and Heidi Koeberl.

The minutes from our November 5, 2021 meeting were approved.

**President’s report**: Barb informed us that the Advisory committee met on January 28 at the home of Abby Cosner. These are the findings and recommendations of the Advisory committee:

1. We are in need of 3 new officers for 2022-2023. Barb Hay and Karen Cape will not be renewing their terms as President and Secretary. Maggie Charnon, who volunteered to be Treasurer “Pro-Tem”, will relinquish that role as well in June 2022.
2. In order to proceed, we need to be able to self-govern. The consensus of the Advisory board is that if officers are not procured for 2022-2023, the organization will fold.
3. If we do proceed, we recommended that we meet in teachers’ homes and use in house speakers to save costs.

**Vice President’s report**: Abby Cosner informed us that our next meeting would be on Friday, April 1 at 9 a.m. at St. Anne’s. Our speaker will be Rachel Ware Carlton from Lakeland College.

**Treasurer’s report:**  Maggie reported that our balance as of December 31, 2021 was $3099.12. This includes a dedicated festival donation. The full report is attached.

Because of our low balance, a fundraiser is imperative if we are to continue.

An issue was made apparent when Maggie received word that our non-profit status forms had not been renewed annually as they were supposed to. To remedy this Maggie sought advice from an accountant. He is working on the issue. Maggie is compiling a list of Treasurer responsibilities for the future treasurers to ensure this doesn’t happen again in the future.

Barb Hay will help Maggie balance the checkbook, as it was not reconciled when she received it.

**Committee Reports:**

**TLC:** Annie Schneider: Nothing new to report

**Festival:** AllStar is tomorrow, February 5. The numbers are similar to last year. The committee also plans to meet following the festival to come up with a plan for future events.

Maggie brought new Baroque certificates for those who want them.

A concerning issue was reported, that St. Anne’s church had told us we must “postpone’ our Classical Fest, scheduled many months ago, as they were planning to hold a funeral at the church that day (April 30). We asked if there were ideas on a new location. 1st United Presbyterian was recommended as an option to check into. We do not anticipate a change in the date.

**Development:** Heidi Lueck said she is working on a Playathon for April of this year. No date has been set or any other details as of yet. She asked how many thought they would participate. It was recommended she send out information and a set date to the secretary (Karen) to share with the members as soon as possible.

**Gathering**: Heidi Lueck is our liaison for the Gathering. A collaborative event is being planned for this fall, including a performance module, master classes, and a guest artist. This will be held at UWGB. More information will be coming in the future.

**Nominating:** Kay Busse ad Heidi Koeberl will work on contacting people to fill the new office positions. President: 2 year term; Secretary: 2 year term; Treasurer: 1 year term.

**Recruiting**: Heidi L did not know of a committee for this.

**NEW BUSINESS**:

**Camp and College scholarships**: Kay Busse reminded us that the deadline to apply for either of these is the end of April/beginning of May. She will send out a specific date in the near future.

Maggie: the “Press Times”, a local weekly newspaper, will do an article on us in the fall about our festivals.

Kay recommended that we email the membership forms to former and current members. This seems easier for people to deal with than referring them to our website.

**OLD BUSINESS**

This was tabled for lack of time.

Our business meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m..

Our speaker, Dr. Justin Krueger, shared a wonderful presentation titled

*“Exploring Beyond Methods: Navigating the Less Charted Waters of Piano Repertoire”*

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Cape,

Secretary