Northeast Wisconsin Piano Teachers Forum

Minutes from October 4, 2024

New Hope Church

Attendance: Charnon, Rector, Lueck, Teagarden, Koeberl, Busse, Proelock

1. Meeting was called to order at 9:00

2. Minutes from September 2024 meeting were approved

Point of Order: The Treasurer's report was distributed by email before the meeting. The current Balance is \$7,865.71

Point if Order: There was no Vice President's Report

3. Committee Reports

A. Festival

Reminders:

Festival AND Recital are both at St. Anne's Church on Libel in DePere and on the same day. (Nov. 23, 224). Due to the city parade, the scheduling during the day and the recital may be a bit skewed. The schedule and other information will be emailed to you a few days after we schedule.

Be sure to have your contact information for the day of the festival on the entry form. Remember to use the current entry forms and lists from the web site.

Suggestions:

Several solutions were proposed to streamline the communication and other functions of the festival process. All of it will be brought up at the next festival meeting. The suggestions made great sense and Charnon remained red faced and ignorant of all of them but excited to explore.

4. Old business: None reported

5. New Business:

Monster Concert: Justin Krueger is spearheading the project. The NEW regional monster concert is scheduled for January, 2026. It will most likely be held at Lawrence Chapel. There will be local rehearsals for our students and then one rehearsal in Appleton a week before the concert and one the day of the concert. The committee is exploring commissioning a composition from a nationally recognized composer. One mission is to keep costs at a minimum for students to enter and for ticket sales. A survey will be sent shortly to assess interest.

Teachers entering students must serve on a committee and commit their time to rehearsals. Suggestions and questions are welcome and should be directed to Maggie Charnon, the Forum rep on the Monster steering committee.

6. Announcements

Brochures regarding the Fox Valley Young Artist Festival were distributed. Maggie Charnon has extras if you would like one.

Fox Valley Music Teachers Association is hosting Kathy Kautsky on 10/11 at Heid Music in Appleton and has invited the Forum to this lecture and all future ones. Charnon, in turn, has invited Fox Valley to ours. Information about Fox Valley is on their website: FVMTA.org

The meeting adjourned at 9:25. It was followed by a wonderful presentation by Shuk Ki Wong from Lawrence about 20th and 21 century Asian composers and their music for children.

Respectfully Submitted, Maggie Charnon