

Foothills Music Teachers Association

General Monthly Meeting Minutes, Rockley's Music Center
November 15, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President April Larsen at 9:23 a.m. There were 20 in attendance. The October minutes were corrected and approved as emailed to the members.

Treasurer's Report: Elinore Quander, NCTM, reported we received \$48 from donations from the music library. The Scholarship Savings Account has \$18,542.02 and the checkbook balance is \$2181.97. A change in procedure for check cashing was discussed. The chairs of events will be informed when checks should be turned in. They should be turned in before events occur.

Barnes & Noble: Kathy Hammer, NTCM, reported a cancellation at 5:00 p.m. on Friday and encouraged all to participate. The handouts were distributed which include an online code for online orders. Thanks to Jan Tuttle for designing these, they can also be accessed on the Barnes & Noble page on the FMTA website.

Cares and Congrats: Kathy Hammer reported that Betty Witte had a stroke at Performance Group last week and is home now.

Community Outreach: Lorian Bartle reported the May 20 recital at Morning Star at Wheatridge from 2-3 p.m. Others are invited to participate. Lorian is considering changing the Farmer's Market event to the end of May, the weekend before Memorial Day. There was a discussion about adding a date in August.

Hospitality: Davina Perret thanked Kathy Hammer, NTCM, and Brenda Ohlschwager for providing refreshments.

Librarian: Davina Perrett reported donations of music and CDs, and a pouch is attached for donations. The resource library is in the bin. There are also left-over ribbons from Achievement Day.

Membership: Robin Braun reported one new member, Johnny Sterling, from Evergreen.

Newsletter/Yearbook/Website: Jan Tuttle reported the deadline for the newsletter is the 1st Wednesday of each month. She is updating the directory in January, she will send out a reminder for members to check their information and send her corrections. The "Find a Teacher" feature is working to help students locate our teachers. The events calendar on the website has a map feature which gives and shows the addresses of each event.

Performance Group: President April Larsen reported it will be held at Diana Gaide's house on February 9.

PRP: Arlyce Black reported a great turn out. *Mindset* is the next book.

Scholarships: President April Larsen encouraged those who have students from incoming 8th graders to seniors, to apply for scholarships for college and/or music camps.

Sonatina Festival: Evelyn Billberg reminded us our students need to be preparing their sonatinas.

Winterfest: Davina Perret reported the deadline for registration is January 3. The recitals are scheduled for 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., with activities in between including counterpoint, dancing the minuet, and keyboards for learning ornaments. Volunteers are still needed. Non-recital students can do activities between recitals for \$7. Teachers are encouraged to come in costume. Member are asked to bring toilet paper rolls to the January meeting. Students at level 2 and above may participate, and it will be held at Our Savior's Corner of Hope Church on Jewel and Garrison.

Achievement Day: Laura Trefethen reported 16 teachers and 146 students attended. It was very successful and flowed smoothly. Laura will send out evaluation sheets to those teachers who participated. There will be digital registration for next year, and a volunteer is needed to train next year with Laura to be able then take over the chair when she steps down. There was discussion on how to get more teachers and students to participate.

The meeting adjourned at 10:12. Alejandro Cremaschi presented How to Cope with Performance Anxiety.
Gaylene Bickmore, Secretary