

## **Foothills Music Teachers Association    Monthly Meeting    August 18, 2021**

Davina Perret, President, opened the meeting at 9:38am at the home of Kathy Hammer, with 15 members and 2 guests present.

Minutes of the May meeting were corrected and approved and will be posted on the website.

Treasurer's report: Checking balance - \$3,917.89; Savings balance - \$18,713.50. A donation from Northwest Suburban (dissolved) in the amount of \$6162.00 was received and deposited into Savings for the Scholarship Fund. The Board made a decision in July to raise local FMTA dues from \$20/year to \$22/year for the 2022-23 season.

Robin Braun, VP Membership, introduced Caitlyn Martin and Rachel Traudt as interested new members.

Lorian Bartle, Community Outreach & Website Chair, noted she is still seeking a location for the August 2022 event. Regarding the website: "Find a Teacher" will be updated by the end of September. Look under "Student Opportunities" for the venue and dates for Holiday Benefit and Winterfest events. Look for location and program for the monthly meetings under "Member Opportunities". Also any cancellations of PRP and Performance Group would be listed there.

The password is MusicBlast! To access the Primary Directory Member List. You will find the "Photo and Video Authorization and Release Form under "Student Opportunities".

Kathy Hammer, Hospitality, passed around the sign-up sheet for monthly meetings. She reminded us to bring 'non-messy' foods since we are guests in rented facilities. We also need a new volunteer to chair this position.

Davina Perret, Librarian & Newsletter, noted that our library will be able to be housed at the Lakewood School of Music beginning in January. Please get any Newsletter announcements to her by noon on the first day of the month.

Performance Group will meet on September 10 at the home of Laura Rogers at 10 am.

Arlyce Black, PRP, announced Nov.4 and Feb.3 from 9:30-11am for discussion of the book, "Art of Successful Teaching" by Tim Lautzenheiser.

Helen Gleason, Sonatina Chair, requests any Judge recommendations to be given to her as well as any additions to the Sonatina list.

Thomas Hoops, Winterfest Chair, said the theme is Jazz & Improvisation. There will be a bass player and drummer to join the students in performance of their pieces.

April Larsen, Achievement Day Chair, requested any feedback comparing how the event was done last year with pandemic restrictions and previous years. It was suggested to perform the Scales, Chords, Arpeggios with the two pieces in the performance room.

Alyssa Alexander, VP Programs, noted today's program is an overview of our various events presented by the event chairs. Speakers and programs are secured for all months except April. September's program will be presented by Aaron Garner, "Creating and Teaching an Effective Group Class".

The September meeting will be on September 15 at The Bridge Church, 3101 S. Kipling St, Lakewood. Park on the west side of the building and follow signs.

Meeting adjourned, 10:19 am

Julianne Hardinger, Secretary