

CMMTA MEETING
Minutes from September 23, 2011
31 Windy St., Augusta, ME

The meeting was called to order at 9:15 am .

MEMBERS PRESENT: Muriel Desrosiers, President, Lily Funahashi, Dianne Gorman, Ginger Yang Hwalek, Anne Parker, Johanne Patenaude, Nancy Riesgo, Eileen Ringel, and Joanne Westin

IMMEDIATE BUSINESS: The nomination of Dianne Gorman as CMMTA treasurer was approved by unanimous vote of members in attendance.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The minutes from the June 9, 2001 CMMTA meeting were reviewed and accepted. Minutes of today's and subsequent meetings will be distributed by email to all members.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The main expense since our last meeting was payment to Josie Davis and Maya French for their performance on June 9th. The ending balance in the CMMTA's checking account is \$282.07. Annual dues were collected from members in attendance. Eileen will send a reminder to those who could not attend today's meeting that payment is due by November 1st.

PROGRAM CHAIR'S REPORT: Ideas for programs for upcoming meetings were discussed.

On January 27, 2012, we will meet at Muriel Desrosier's house in Winslow. The program will include a review of our mission statement, followed by a presentation by Eileen of material from the Frances Clark Conference held in July 2011. Others are invited to present what they have learned at courses and conferences they attend over the next few months.

On June 8, 2012, we will meet again at Johanne Patenaude's house in Augusta, where the discussion will focus on the business aspects of running a piano studio.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Having reviewed the current CMMTA by-laws, Muriel informed us that the section related to terms of officers states that officers are to be nominated annually by a 3-person nominating committee. The practicality of this procedure was questioned. We will take up the question of whether the by-laws should be amended at the next meeting.
2. The mission statement of the CMMTA will be reviewed at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS
 - a. Quad State Conference- October 1, 2011
 - i. Granoff Music Center, Tufts University, Medford, MA

- b. "In the Spirit of Children Helping Children" Recital – November 12, 2011
 - i. Sponsored by Penobscot Valley Music Teacher Association
 - ii. Contact Ginger for further information.
- c. Monster Piano Concert – March 10, 2012
 - i. University of Maine, Orono, ME
- d. MTNA National Conference – March 24-28, 2012
 - i. Hilton Hotel, New York City, NY

2. NEW ORGANIZATIONS

- a. "The Eighty-Eight" is a newly formed group consisting of keyboard players of all interests, including teachers, soloists, ensemble players and accompanists. The first meeting will be at Paddy Murphy's Pub at 26 Main Street in Bangor on September 25, 2011.

3. REMINDERS

- a. Muriel reminded us to check out the sample solicitation letter on the inside back cover of the current MMTA handbook. Each of us doing her part in gathering funds will go a long way to keep our organization active and thriving.

The business meeting was adjourned at 9:45 am.

PROGRAM

Ginger, Anne, Eileen, Joanne, and Muriel entertained the group with pieces by Binnette Lipper, Dvorak, Schumann, and Liszt. Thanks for all who participated, and special thanks to Lily, who arranged for us to have access to the wonderful facilities of Lorimer Chapel at Colby. We hope to make this an annual event.

Respectfully submitted by Eileen Ringel, Secretary, CMMTA.