

OFMC
General Board Meeting
Beaverton Library
July 19, 2013 - 10:00 to 12:30

President Aaron Bloom called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

Attendance: President Aaron Bloom, Daniel Brugh, Sarah Bisceglia, Shirley Christensen, Pauline Eidemiller, Jill Foster, Melissa Hatcher, Oliver Poida, Ruth Sadilek, Lisette Sage, Fen-Fang Tsao, Joanne Zenger

Minutes read from last board meeting, approved and put on OFMC website.

President's Report: Aaron read the end of year President's report. The report will be forwarded to all OFMC members and posted on the website.

Treasurer's Report: Lisette shared her end of year report, showing total revenue and total expenses. She reported that the Sampley-Conn funds were moved to the investment account in April. Lisette passed out a report showing the balances of each scholarship fund and the interest earnings of each. Lisette reported that the OFMC savings account is only earning 0.10%. She will look into the advantages of moving those funds to a Money Market account. Current checking account balance is \$7,683.18. Current savings account balance is \$16,069.95. Current investments balance is \$75,546.00. The only outstanding expenses for the year are the NFMC Conference expenses.

Festival Report: Oliver reported that 2013 Festivals ran smoothly. Adjudicator evaluations from the Senior clubs were positive. Total number of participants was 3,229 (2,235 piano). Participation was down about 150 participants from 2012.

Gold Cups: Fen-Fang reported the 2013 Gold Cup numbers. There were 430 first cup, 182 second cups, 51 third cups, 19 fourth cups, 6 grand cups, 1 Presidents cup, and 3 silver cups (Adult Festival cups) awarded this year. Aaron asked Fen-Fang to give him the information for the student who earned the President's Cup. We'd like to recognize them in the NFMC magazine and on the OFMC website.

Supplies Report: Sarah reported the supplies numbers for 2013 Festivals.

Composition: Dan Brugh shared that the 2013 Composition event was cancelled due to lack of participation. The 2014 event will be held at Robyn Pfeiffer's studio on January 25th. Jennifer Wright will adjudicate.

Scholarship: There will be a committee running the scholarship competitions next year. Kelli Stephens, Barbara Parker, Aaron Bloom and Wilma Hawkins will serve on the committee. There will be a panel of three adjudicators this year. The competitions will be held Saturday, January 25th (and 26th if necessary) at Classic Pianos.

Senior Club Reports: Joanne Zenger (Sunset Club), Cindy Peterson-Peart (Beaverton Club), Melissa Hatcher (Salem Club), Shirley Christensen (Tillamook Club), Ruth Sadilek (Portland Metro Instrumental and Vocal Club) and Oliver Poida (West Portland Club) shared Senior Club reports. Detailed reports will be sent to Aaron.

New Business:

Adjudicator Rates for 2013/2014: Our current adjudicator rates are \$40 per hour. Aaron feels this is too low, if we're going to keep quality adjudicators. Aaron recommends increasing adjudicator rates to \$45 per hour. Raising the rates by \$5 per hour would increase adjudicator costs by approximately \$2000. Raising the state festival entry fees by \$1 would cover the increase. The increase would also affect the scholarship adjudicators. Pauline moved that we increase our adjudicator rates to \$45 per hour and raise Festival entry fees, excluding theory, by \$1 per student. Cindy seconded and the motion passed.

Membership Rates for 2013-2014: Aaron recommended that Senior Club dues remain the same for 2013/2104.

Rondo Newsletter through Constant Contact: Aaron discussed Constant Contact, an e-mail newsletter service. Aaron proposed setting up an OFMC newsletter through Constant Contact. The service would cost \$168 per year. All OFMC business and announcements could be cut and pasted into the newsletter. Members would receive an e-mail once every two months or so. Jill moved that we pay the \$168 fee to have Constant Contact be the distribution system for our state newsletter. Melissa seconded and the motion passed.

Festival Insurance, Chairman needed: Aaron has been handling festival insurance for many years and would like to pass it along to someone else. He will ask for volunteers in the first issue of the OFMC Rondo newsletter.

Forrest Kinney Sponsorship Consideration: Forrest Kinney will be presenting workshops in early August at Harmony Road Music in Clackamas. It's for teachers only. Aaron suggested OFMC partially sponsor the event, in order to promote OFMC. It was suggested that refreshments be provided by OFMC. Ruth moved that we provide up to \$50 per day, for a total of \$150, for refreshments at the Forrest Kinney workshops. Pauline seconded and the motion passed.

Dance Outreach: NFMC offers a Dance Award scholarship. Aaron suggested we could have a member or two contact local dance schools and direct them to the NFMC website for that scholarship. Melissa, Ruth and Shirley offered to contact some schools.

501 C3 for Individual Clubs: The process allows clubs to accept tax deductible donations. July 1 to November 15 is the timeline to file the form 990 EZ.

NFMC Essay Contest: Aaron will post information on the essay contests in Newsletters.

Continued Business:

2014 Scholarship Event: The American Composer requirement was dropped. Students may only enter one event a year. Aaron proposed that we pay a student to update the entry forms. Pauline moved that we hire a student to refresh the entry forms for \$30. Melissa seconded and the motion passed.

Festival Database/Membership Database Update: 2014 will be the test year. In 2015 all Festival Entries will be online.

OFMC Biennial Conference: The OFMC conference will be held October 12, 2013 at Marylhurst University. Carolyn Nelson will present the opening address. The guest clinician will be Akiko Kinney presenting *The Well-Tempered Studio: Adapting Lessons to meet the Unique Needs of Every Student*. The end of the day will have performances by the OFMC piano scholarship winners. Jill moved that the OFMC Biennial Conference registration fees will be \$50 for Federated members, \$60 for non-members and \$20 for students. Pauline seconded and the motion passed.

NFMC Conference: The NFMC Conference will be held in Portland, June 24-28, 2014. Aaron shared a proposed committee list and discussed the list of specific tasks. The planning committee will meet with Carolyn Nelson at the Airport Sheraton on October 11th, 9:30-12:00. It was decided to invite Wendy Stevens to be the presenter for Junior Day.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30p.m.

Minutes by Recording Secretary Cindy Peterson-Peart