



Clark County Music Teachers Meeting Minutes October 18, 2017

Meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. Attending were Judy, Elizabeth, Barbara, Louise, Ellen, Vivian, Cinda and Natalya.

### **Treasurer's Report**

There was no Treasurer's Report, as Beth is out of town.

### **Membership Report**

Under "Membership Report", Cinda said that we are getting a new member from Cowlitz, which is folding due to a lack of members. Her name is Carla Dudley. Since she acted as president of the Cowlitz chapter, she will most likely be active here.

Ruth Ann Yeardon still plans on joining. Beth hasn't yet sent updates on whose dues are sent in, so we don't have a complete membership list at this time.

THERE WILL BE NO MEETING IN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER.

### **Adjudications I Music Artistry Program**

Adjudications will henceforth be known as the "Music Artistry Program", or MAP. This name makes the process seem less intimidating. All pieces don't need to be memorized. We will offer two different certificates: white, for participation, and green, for both pieces being memorized.

Another change to Adjudications is that we will no longer use the "six levels" labelling system. Some students and parents got upset at this because the "levels" do not correspond accurately to the number of years studied. So now the students will have the option of buying time slots,

either 10, 15 or 20 minutes, depending on the length of their pieces. It is highly recommended to buy twice the amount of time for each student that the student's pieces take. Adult students are welcome to participate. There are four categories of entrants: Regular, Music Link, Adult, and Ensembles.

Our Adjudicators will be Kay Zavislac, Phyllis Pfeiffer, and Jencina Oliver.

REGISTRATION IS DUE IN MID-JANUARY. More details will be forthcoming. Please contact Barbara Roberts for her Adjudications 101 handbook. Dates and locations are on the website.

### **Musicianship Exams I Music Literacy Program**

The Musicianship test will be held at St. John's Presbyterian Church in Camas some time in March. The date is not set yet, but it will be close to the time of Adjudications. It will include written theory, sight reading and scales. Go to ccmtaonline to see the things on the test. We now call it the "Music Literacy Program".

Our workshop will be held March 24, at St. John's in Camas.

We currently can't find an adjudicator for our Baroque/Classical Festival, November 4-5, Saturday 9 - 5 and Sunday 1 - 5. If you know anyone who can do it, please contact Judy or Debbie. Dmitri offered to ask Mark Westcott. And Judy has now sent everybody a message regarding this problem.

### **Young Performers Recitals**

Andrea has cancelled all the Young People's Recitals. There does not seem to be the interest in these that there used to be, as both last year and this year resulted in almost no sign-ups. Cinda suggested putting one at the end of January, not between solo/ensemble competitions and Adjudications. It was also thought that Sunday afternoons are not a good time, because the Chinese children have school then. The Young People's Recitals are tabled for now.

Louise had ten students signed up for her Composition Workshop, and was very enthusiastic about it. She wants to have another mini-workshop at her house in January, to follow up on the students.

## Old Business

JUDY ANNOUNCED THAT HER HUSBAND DON WILL BE GIVING A COMPOSITION RECITAL ON NOVEMBER 4, AT 5:30 PM, AT KENNEDY VIOLINS.

The **Vancouver Symphony Chamber Music Series** will feature Cinda Redman, Elena Vozheiko-Wheaton, Kathy Edsill-Charles, Kathryn Hobbie and Dr. Michael C. Liu performing Leonard Bernstein's Symphonic Dances from West Side Story for 2 pianos (arranged by John Musto), Georges Bizet's Carmen Fantasy for 2 pianos (arranged by Greg Anderson), Arthur Benjamin's Jamaican

Rumba for 2 pianos and selections from Edvard Grieg's Peer Gynt Suite Op. 46 for 2 pianos (arranged by Richard Simm). **The concert is a Piano Extravaganza on Sunday, October 22 at 3pm at Vancouver's historic Kiggins Theatre.**

We are collecting music to donate to victims of Hurricane Harvey. Cinda will pick up music from Lena.

We voted last month to release money from our mutual fund to fund scholarships. Judy said that it would be nice to give \$1000 scholarships, and maybe give more in the spring.

## New Business

Under "New Business", Cinda reported that Mountain View High School is buying a new marimba, and is selling "bars" on the marimba, which is 5 1/2 octaves, to defray costs ([mvband.org/marimba.html](http://mvband.org/marimba.html)). We discussed buying a bar. Cinda suggested a \$150 purchase. Barbara suggested \$200. Louise made a motion to spend \$202 for a bar, Elizabeth seconded the motion, and it was carried. Judy suggested that CCMTA pays the money, and we can reimburse CCMTA back in donations of \$10 apiece. Cinda will write the check, and Beth will reimburse her. We need to send our personal check to Beth.

This prompted a discussion on how we decide how much, and when, to spend our money. Barbara suggested that we need a plan or budget, with a ballpark plan for giveaways of

scholarship money.

Judy went to the State Conference and met the MusicLink teacher: this is a program whereby a teacher gets a pro bono student; the teacher does get some reimbursement for music purchased for the student.

June 20 - 23 will be the Duo-State Conference (Washington and Oregon), at Heathman Lodge. We are the host chapter; therefore, we will be called upon to do some volunteer work (envelope stuffing, etc.)

We need a church with a good pipe organ for State Convention class. It should be near downtown. St. Luke's and Trinity Lutheran were both suggested. Barbara said to ask Martha for her advice.

Elizabeth asked for more teacher bios for the website. Feel free to ask her for any help you may need in this. Sheri suggested that we add a page for contacts for piano tuners and technicians. Do we need a "Music Technology" page? Let Elizabeth know your thoughts.

The Meeting adjourned at 10:30.

Thank you,

Ellen Putman, Secretary