

## REVISED MINUTES OF THE MAY 8, 2013 SPAMTA MEETING

At Mitchell Piano Works (NOTE: Revisions are in *bold italic* and were submitted by Eddie Brown, Gail Heywood, Ann Marie Novak, Annette Rasmussen and Mary Thomas)

**Members Present:** Jenny Burton, Joyce Gilligan, Gail Heywood, *Mary Hofer, Judy Meyer*, Annette Rasmussen and Mary Thomas

### **Minutes of Business Meeting**

**I. Call to Order/Welcome.** 10:33 am by President Gail Heywood

**II. Adoption of Agenda.** Annette Rasmussen moved and Joyce Gilligan seconded that the agenda be adopted. The agenda was approved unanimously.

**III. Approval of Revised April 12, 2013 Minutes.** The minutes were approved by email consensus.

### **IV. Officer and Chair Reports.**

#### **A. President's Report. Gail Heywood, NCTM**

- **MTNA Membership Committee VIP Program.** Each month, one of the members of the MTNA Membership Committee will send out a VIP Newsletter, to state and local presidents and membership chairs. The May 2013 issue pertained to membership recruitment and retention (authored by Marc Hebda, Director Elect, Southern Division). The objective is to provide information and ideas for officers. April 2013 topic was membership renewal ideas. I will be authoring the June newsletter topic "The Power of Recognition".
- **Correspondence**
- April 15—submitted article for May WMTA Newsletter concerning our Robert Vandall residency.
- April 16—WMTA Local Association state chair, Dorie Petersen requested FY reports from all local association Presidents. SPAMTA reports were submitted the following day.
- April 17—Sent an invitation to all the WMTA affiliated associations for our June program.
- April (lots of dates!)—Lea Bush, Alfred Publishing Company—finalizing plans for the upcoming Robert Vandall program. Our session is on Alfred's website "Events" page: <http://www.alfred.com/Company/EventsAndWorkshops/EventWorkshopDetails.aspx?EID=2655> and will be posted on their Facebook events page. Alfred is sending along extra posters which will be distributed to UWSP and other area music stores. Mitchell Piano Works is coordinating the door prize and on site sales of Mr. Vandall's music.
- April 25—Received Donation from Mary Stevens of \$100.00 for our Robert Vandall Program. Donation of \$100.00 also received from the MTNA Vivace Collegiate Chapter to be used for our Robert Vandall program.
- May 6—Two email inquiries received from the SPAMTA website (one from a WMTA member, another from an adult student of a WMTA member) seeking information on the Robert Vandall program.

**B. Immediate Past President's Report. Annette Rasmussen.** Annette recommends that we conduct the Used Music Rummage Sale next year in conjunction with the Fall Festival if space is available at UW-SP. Money can be put toward scholarships or programs. *Annette thanks Julia Weiser, Peter Nordberg, Anna Nordberg and Wiley Nordberg for volunteering for this year's Used Rummage Sale during the Fall Festival. We would not have been able to function nearly so well without those volunteers!*

**C. Vice President's Report. Judy Meyer None.**

**D. Treasurer's Report. Mary Thomas.** Mary will submit a year-end report after the Robert Vandall Residency to Gail Heywood and Gail will post it on our website to comply with the legal requirements for non-profits. Arnie Rasmussen will do an audit of the books as an in-kind donation to SPAMTA since this will mark the end of Mary's long-time service as SPAMTA Treasurer. All the members applauded her contribution to the association.

Our total assets are \$2,594.29. This includes the following sources:

1. Chase checking account: \$1,590.53 (Mary shifted the CD that matured on April 23, 2013 into the checking account to help defray the costs of the Vandall residency)
2. CD #2: \$1,003.76 (maturity date June 10, 2013)

NOTE: Members are encouraged to renew MTNA dues as soon as possible. You can do this by mail or online. Your MTNA dues include your SPAMTA dues.

**E. District Auditions Co-Chair's Report. Mary Hofer. None.**

**F. Historian's Report. Joyce Gilligan.** Gail Heywood has appointed John Strassburg as the SPAMTA Historian and thanked Joyce for completing Max Kopchinski's term as Historian. John's term will begin on July 1, 2013.

**V. Old Business**

- A. Donation of Art Work**—Mary Thomas will *present* a photograph that depicts the history of the piano to Mitchell Piano Works. *This art work was created by a local artist and was specially ordered and purchased by SPAMTA several years ago. Mary has been storing it in her house.*
- B. SPAMTA College Scholarship.** No applicants were submitted. After some discussion about extending the deadline, Annette Rasmussen moved, Jenny Burton gave a first and Mary Thomas seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.
- C. SPAMTA High School Student Award.** After discussion, it was agreed by consensus to extend the deadline for the High School Student Award since some members present overlooked the deadline. Please email Mary Thomas if you have a graduating senior. All graduating seniors who *have participated in the WMTA auditions for the last four years while studying with a SPAMTA member* are eligible for a \$25 check. Mary needs the

student's name and the teacher's mailing address. She will mail a check to the teacher and the teacher can present it to the student.

- D. **Robert Vandall Residency.** Today is the deadline for entering students in the Robert Vandall program. Mr. Vandall's plane ticket has been purchased through Marathon Travel—he will arrive on Delta at 8:47 p.m. Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup> and depart on Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 1:13 p.m. Unfortunately, due to airline schedules, we were unable to get a departure flight on Saturday evening. Price for the ticket was \$382.60. Next order of business will be to secure Mr. Vandall's lodging for two nights. Unless a volunteer comes forward to provide lodging in their home, we will need to reserve a hotel for 2 nights. Comfort Suites on Division is \$100.00 a night—this is the best price I can find. [NOTE: Members voted in favor of this budget item.] A potluck is planned for lunch—teachers are asked to bring a dish. The Suzuki Center will have dinner with Mr. Vandall at 5:30 pm on Saturday at Michelle's. I need a volunteer to handle airport transportation for Mr. Vandall. All American Taxi service is available at CWA, however the cost is \$50.00 one way. In the lecture hall, Mr. Vandall has requested an overhead projector and a lavalier microphone. I will need help to ensure this event runs smoothly.

Project Budget Includes \$1,000 honorarium, airfare, lodging, meals, publicity	\$1700.00
MTNA Foundation Grant	-\$750.00
WMTA Local Association Grant	-\$100.00
Aber Suzuki Center Donation	-\$100.00
MTNA Vivace Student Chapter Donation	-\$100.00
Mary Stevens Donation	-\$100.00
Used Music Rummage Sale	-\$150.00
Projected balance to come from SPAMTA Treasury	<b>\$400.00</b>

## **VI. New Business**

- A. **Election of Executive Officers for 2013-2014** (*terms start on July 1, 2013 and end June 30, 2014*). The following slate of officers was unanimously elected by 13 members, 6 present at the meeting and 7 by proxy:

1. President: Gail Heywood
2. Vice-President: Jenny Burton
3. Co-Secretaries: Heather Wagner
4. Treasurer: Judy Meyer

Thank you to all the officers who served this past year! Your service is appreciated by all members!

## **VII. Announcements.**

- A. Please look for an email from Gail from "Signupgenius.com." This will give you the opportunity to sign up for a job for the Vandall Residency.
- B. **MTNA Membership Renewals**—membership year ends on June 30<sup>th</sup>. Renewal process is very easy and can be done online in a matter of minutes.

### **VIII. SPAMTA/WMTA Upcoming Events**

1. May 11—Badger Non-keyboard competition at UW-SP
2. **May 14—Extended deadline for SPAMTA High School Student Award**
3. May 18—Badger Keyboard Competition at UW-Oshkosh
4. June 1—Meet the Composer Program with Robert Vandall at UW-SP
5. June 7—WMTA Administrative Council Meeting, Waunakee
6. July 24-27—National Conference on Keyboard Pedagogy, Lombard, Illinois
7. ***July 28-August 2; August 4-August 9—American Suzuki Institute, UW-SP***
8. Sept 20-22—MTNA Leadership Summit, Cincinnati, Ohio
9. November 7-9—WMTA State Conference, Appleton
10. March 22-26, 2014—MTNA Conference, Chicago, Illinois

### **IX. NEXT MEETING—June SPAMTA Executive Board meeting (TBD)**

Respectfully Submitted, Jenny Burton, Co-Secretary