

## MINUTES OF THE SPAMTA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, June 7, 2012 at Emy J's

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

### **Minutes of Business Meeting:**

**I. Call to Order.** Gail Heywood, President, called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm

**II. Report of Officers Treasurer's Report: 501(c)(3) Status Update.** Mary Thomas reported that SPAMTA can file a Transition Relief Form with the IRS to give us time to complete a form with the IRS to reinstate our tax exempt status. Gail said that she had spoken with the MTNA National Treasurer and she had assured us that SPAMTA is covered under the MTNA non-profit umbrella. Mary said that the IRS does not recognize this and Mary will take the steps necessary to comply with the IRS requirements.

### **III. Report of Special Committees**

- A. **Barry Green Residency Report.** Gail said that SPAMTA members will be able to attend a lecture by Barry Green on Wednesday, November 7 at 10:00 am. This will be our November SPAMTA meeting. We will take him out to lunch after the lecture at a place to be determined.
- B. **Program Planning for 2012-2012** Gail presented a tentative calendar and we discussed the events and approved these activities:
1. Wednesday, September 12—SPAMTA Meeting at 10:00 am at Mitchell's. Kickoff meeting with this topic: "Invigorate Your Studio with Latest Music/MTNA Member Resources." Handouts for the Fall Festival will be available at the meeting. Gail asked the Executive Committee members to check their calendars for any conflicts and let her know as soon as possible
  2. October 26-27--WMTA Conference in Appleton. Forrest Kinney is the recital artist and WMTA is looking for students of all levels to participate in his master class (they will be using Mr. Kinney's "Pattern Play" books).
  3. November 1—Fall Festival Deadline
  4. Wednesday, November 7—Barry Green Workshop and Luncheon. 10:00 am at Michelson Hall at UW-SP.
  5. Saturday, November 17—Fall Festival
  6. Wednesday, January 9—SPAMTA Meeting at 10:00 am site to be determined. Focus on the presentation will be the new online audition application for WMTA and going over the WMTA 2010 Events Handbook (rules, etc.).
  7. Saturday, January 19—Masterclass with UW-SP faculty.
  8. Sunday, February 17—Young Music Stars Concert 6:30 Michelsen Concert Hall, UWSP. Students of SPAMTA teachers of any age can perform a piece up to 4-5 minutes long.
  9. March 9-13 WMTA Conference, California
  10. Saturday, March 23—WMTA District Auditions
  11. Wednesday, April 10—SPAMTA Meeting at Mitchell's
  12. April at a date TBA—Meet the Composer. Gail will ask Robert Vandal, Jennifer Linn or Carol Klose if one of these composers is available.
  13. Wednesday, May 8—SPAMTA Meeting. Election of officers and spring luncheon.

- C. Member of the Year.** Gail will see if we can nominate a member of the year at the September meeting.
- D. Thank You to Mitchell's.** Mary Thomas will order a plaque for Mitchell's from Point Trophy to thank them for the use of space for our meetings. This will be presented at the September meeting.
- E. Julia Weiser Scholarship.** Gail reported that Julia Weiser has indicated that she would like to use these funds for a piano student of need or for teacher enrichment for a piano student. She would like the scholarship to be need-based. The Board accepted the the template format used by the Fox Valley association (FVMTA). Student music camp grants would be for a student ages 6-17, with a maximum of \$75.00 towards participation in a camp. A \$100 scholarship would be awarded annually and the funds would come from the proceeds from the Fall Festival.
- F. SPAMTA Scholarship.** After some discussion, the Board approved the change of the name from the "SPAMTA Scholarship" to the "Max Kopchinski Scholarship". The Executive Board agreed to revise the application to include applicant's participation in prior SPAMTA sponsored events. The maximum amount would be \$100 and would be given annually.

#### **IV. NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. Public Relations.** Discussion by board members on photography/videotaping of students for use in public relations by SPAMTA. The Fall Festival application will include a notice to teachers to instruct families entering their children in a SPAMTA sponsored event, their child's image may be photographed/videotaped to be used for legitimate purposes by SPAMTA. If a parent/guardian does not wish for their child's image to be used, they should not participate in the honors recital.
- 2. Used Music 'Rummage Sale'**—in order to generate funds for SPAMTA programs/projects, the board approved a rummage sale to be held concurrent with the Fall Festival. Teachers are asked to pre-price their music (i.e., 50 cents, \$1.00, etc.) and bring it on the day of the Fall Festival.
- 3. Member recruitment.** Gail discussed MTNA's membership drive entitled "involve-inform-inspire". Discussion amongst board on ways to recruit new members, collaborate with collegiate students at UWSP and encourage involvement in our membership.

#### **V. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jenny Burton, Secretary