

MINUTES OF THE SPAMTA APRIL 13, 2011 MEETING

At Mitchell Piano Works

Members Present: Lois Babcock, Jenny Burton, Joyce Gilligan, Max Kopchinski, Cindy Penker, Annette Rasmussen Mary Stevens and Mary Thomas.

Minutes of Business Meeting

I. Call to Order. 10:05 am by Annette Rasmussen.

II. Approval of Revised January 12, 2011 Minutes. Joyce moved and Max seconded that the minutes be accepted. The minutes were approved unanimously.

II. Treasurer's Report. Mary Thomas reported that we have \$3,248.48 as of September 13, 2011. So far 15 members have paid their dues. If you don't pay your dues, you can come to the monthly meetings but your students cannot participate in any events. Mary shared thank you notes from the UW-SP Foundation and from the Chair of the UW-SP Music Department for our \$200 donation to the UW-SP Music Department Scholarship Fund. Jenny moved and Cindy seconded that the treasurer's report be accepted. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Old Business.

A. Senior Awards for 2010-2011. Notify Mary Thomas by September 30, 2011 if you have a student who qualifies for a Senior Award.

IV. New Business

A. SPAMTA Calendar for 2011-2012. Annette facilitated discussion about this year's calendar. Download the calendar in the attached file. Annette and Jenny will contact prospective presenters for November and January.

B. Donation for the Silent Auction at the State Convention. Mary Thomas will find an item for us to donate to the MTNA State Convention. Proceeds will benefit the MTNA Foundation. Annette moved and Mary seconded the motion to spend \$25-35. If any members can suggest an item, contact Mary Thomas. The item is needed by October 27. Annette will take it to the convention.

C. Fall Festival. Judy Meyer will Chair this event and Gail Heywood will do the scheduling. Entry forms will be available on September 22 at Mitchell's and are due on October 21 at Mitchell's. Gail will pick them up.

D. MAMTA Event. Mary Stevens invited SPAMTA members to attend a program sponsored by the Marshfield Area Music Teachers Association on Saturday, October 8 from 8:30-noon at the Chestnut Center for the Arts in Marshfield. Carol Klose, a well-known teacher and composer for student piano pieces, will give a presentation on "How to Generate Creativity and Tips for Incorporating Composition into the Weekly Lesson." No fee. Lunch with Carol will follow at West 14th Restaurant. RSVP by October 1 to karendw@tds.net if you would like to attend. Contact Annette if you'd like to car pool. Directions: Take highway 10 to Auburndale. Proceed on 10 to Marshfield. Turn right onto Veterans Parkway. Turn left at Chestnut. The Center is on the corner of 3rd and Chestnut.

E. John Thomas' Memorial Service was BEAUTIFUL!

F. John Milbauer, former student of Jean Moffit, has been designated as a Steinway Artist.

Business meeting adjourned at 10:25 am. After the business meeting we all shared "Tried and True Ideas for Practice."

Respectfully submitted by Jenny Burton, SPAMTA Co-Secretary