Lisa Cremer called meeting to order and led members in recitation of the collect.

Peg Bryan led members in singing the National Anthem.

Ronda Rosenbaum delivered the invocation.

Lisa Cremer reported on the acceptance of the minutes from September 21, 2019.

David Mannell provided the Treasurer’s report (attached). Catherine Kling moved to approve the Treasurer’s report and Stephen Gruoner seconded. All members voted to accept the report.

Les Bryan gave the Investment report (attached). Investments did very well this past year. The Investment Committee proposed and The Executive Committee recommends that we only take 80% of the income from the Jones account for scholarships ($4296.51). Stephen Gruoner moved to accept the recommendation. All members voted in favor of the motion.

Concerning personnel Lisa Cremer reported that Mark Wiedenmeyer resigned as senior club Treasurer and Les Bryan resigned as Investment Committee chair. David Mannell discussed the jobs and who does what. Ronda Rosenbaum suggested we either dissolve Mark’s position or redefine it. David Mannell will think about this and make a suggestion later. Lisa thanked Les for serving as Investment Committee chair. She has spoken with someone who might be able to take over.

Kathy Elkins reported as Poetry and Essay chair. Essays were due yesterday (she will accept some Monday). She will contact Greg Romano to be judge. Students can just enter Indiana but then would not be eligible for national prize. The deadline for poetry entries is February 1st. Kathy reported that there is an issue with the poetry entry link and Lisa Cremer will address this.

Karri York reported on the Junior Composers contest. The deadline is January 31st. She has not received submissions yet. Advice for entrants - be sure to do both the Indiana and national application process. Karri checked links and the Indiana link, at least, works. Do Indiana first and then national.

Marta Hassfurder reported on Standing Rules and By-laws. The Executive Committee has proposed language to be used in event of IFMC dissolution. The new proposed language reads:

In the event of the dissolution of the Indiana Federation of Music Clubs, Inc. (hereafter referred to as “IFMC”), the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all liabilities of the IFMC, distribute the assets of the IFMC in such manner or to such organization or organizations
organized and operated exclusively for charitable or educational purposes, as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Judge of the Circuit Court of Marion County, Indiana, exclusively for such purposes or to such organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

Stephen Gruoner moved to accept the proposed language. Motion passed unanimously. The proposed changes will be posted to our website and sent to members via email and voted on via email after 30 days.

Stephen Gruoner reported on the newsletter. It went out. Virginia Kleeberg’s report did not get included with his apologies. It can be sent out separately or included in the next newsletter on May 1st. Deadline for submission to Stephen Gruoner is April 15th (he will accept up to May 1st).

There was no report from Sandra Lehman on Competitions and Awards. Lisa Cremer would like to have these awards promoted more among Indiana students.

Peg Bryan stated that she was unsure that she was collegiate membership chair. Lisa Cremer confirmed that she is. David Mannell reported that right now Indiana State, IUPUI and Butler University are collegiate members. Peg will work on getting Indiana University to join.

Virginia Kleeberg reported on festivals. She is working on document to send to festival chairs based on observations from last year. If you have documents handed out to judges and coordinators, they need to be updated. She will send her document today. She will also send an excel sheet she is using to generate ratings sheets along with instructions on how to use. We are not planning on visiting all festivals this year but if you want a monitor to come, please let her know. Regarding improv, use the bulletin from 2011-13. She copied and scanned pages and will send out to chairs. Regarding sight reading, the next bulletin is supposed to contain material with selections to be used by any and all festivals in the country. Use current system this year and only one piece is required for each student to play.

Ronda Rosenbaum reported on the 2020 IFMC May convention. Friday evening will be held at National headquarters, 1646 Smith Valley Road, Greenwood, Indiana. Ronda will have MCL cater. – Saturday events are at IUPUI. Virginia Kleeberg contacted the new Peggy Hoover Bryan award winner about performing on May 29th. He might have a schedule conflict and will get back with her. He should be able to get back with her Monday (he already confirmed he could be here on Saturday the 30th). He is also willing to be vocal judge. Virginia asked how much to pay him (for performance and judging). After some discussion, Stephen Gruoner moved that we pay him $450 plus expenses. Andrea Schweitzer seconded. David Mannell abstained. All other members voted in favor of motion. We will see if Allegra Sorley can accompany again.

Members discussed the NFMC 2020 convention. David Mannell handed out a proposed fundraising letter to send to companies. David reported that the money collected will cover expenses of the various receptions. We can send to banks, music stores, and non-IFMC member
teachers. In exchange for donations they get ads in programs plus honorary associate membership for 2021. There will also be separate ads for companies to put in booklets if desired. For vendors to have a display table the cost is approximately $25 per day. A proposed letter will go out to the Board after corrections. A letter for vendors will be composed as well.

Catherine Kling moved to adjourn the meeting and Stephen Gruoner seconded. The meeting was adjourned.