

The Board of Directors of the Indiana Federation of Music Clubs met on June 1, 2018 at University of Indianapolis. Present were Catherine Kling, Rebecca Sorley, Les Bryan, Peg Bryan, Karri York, Helen Arffa, David Mannell, Kathy Elkins, Linda Sabatino, Sarah Sabatino, Sue McClary, Ginny Jones, Josie Lukey, Sandra Lehman, Lisa Cremer, Stephen Gruoner, Ronda Rosenbaum, Andrea Schweitzer, L(illegible) K. Hudson, Jennifer Derr and Virginia Kleeberg.

Lisa Cremer called the meeting to order and Peg Bryan led the members in singing the National Anthem.

Andrea Schweitzer gave the invocation.

Lisa Cremer reported on acceptance of minutes of the January meeting.

David Mannell provided the Treasurer's report (attached). He noted that our numbers are down and we should think of ideas to continue to grow as an organization. This year, with the duo, our expenses for the young artist was double. Catherine Kling moved to accept the Treasurer's report and Steve Gruoner seconded. The Treasurer's report was accepted.

The Investment Committee report (attached) was given by Les Bryan. He noted that the income from dividends was down. This reflects the current downward trend of the stock market. His recommendation is to stay the course. Helen Arffa moved to accept the Investment Committee report and Steven Gruoner seconded. The Investment Committee report was accepted.

There was no Assistant Treasurer report.

Jennifer Derr provided the Vice President's report. She stated we are down in numbers for the state playoff. Lisa Cremer noted that we did lose Wabash Valley festival this year.

Helen Arffa gave the State Festival chair report. 114 junior clubs participated with 4495 entries in 48 events (not including non-bulletin events). Indiana has 8 different events (trumpet hymns, clarinet hymns, composition, poetry, essay etc.) that are non-bulletin events. From these entries, we get \$2 for state and \$2 for national. A motion was made at the executive committee meeting that we keep the entire \$4 for non-bulletin festival event entry fees. Stephen Gruoner moved to ratify the executive committee action and the motion passed. Helen recommends, because numbers are down, that festivals charge \$12 to \$13 per entry. She also recommended that festivals last 1 day only. Helen also asked that festival chairs please turn in accounting forms to her. She needs them to keep track of our income and expenses. Regarding fundraisers, she noted that Ronda Rosenbaum's festival had a t-shirt sale. Helen said the idea of a t-shirt or music bag design could be a festival event and then the design could be put on the t-shirts or bags for sale. Students who enter could acquire points for this and also get their design used for the t-shirt or bag. Lisa Cremer mentioned that we could use the essay theme for art design. Steven Gruoner has agreed to take over as state festival chair (in June after Helen gets everyone's accounting forms).

Regarding competitions and awards, Rebecca Sorley reported that she updated her list of University contacts and e-mailed each of them. Included in the e-mail was the information about NFMC membership for their University as well as opportunities for students to participate in the competitions. She directed the contacts, mostly faculty and chairs from the Universities, to look at the NFMC web-site to note the myriad of scholarships that were available to their

students. She received no information about Indiana collegiate winning any national award. Sandra Lehman also received no response.

From the Standing Rules committee, Marta Hassfurder had nothing to add but noted that as members see issues to let her know.

Karri York gave the junior composer report. The IFMC Junior Composers Contest had fourteen entries. Seven winners were sent to NFMC Northeast Region, and two were selected to go to National.

Stephen Gruoner reported that the newsletter went out as scheduled. There will be another newsletter in the fall around October. Send in your news to him for publication.

The Chaplain reported the passing of Dr. Robert Jay DeVonte, member of West Lafayette Musicale, and Sophia Gorlin, member of IPTA. Lisa is to report this information to national, to NFMC Chaplain Connie Randall by June 1, 2018, and to the NE Region President, Jeannine Morris.

On the Poetry contest, Kathy Elkins reported that the kids enjoyed it a lot. Helen Arffa suggested that we should publish a few in our newsletter. Kathy contacted a high school teacher for the rubric. The rubric should be ready by September 30th to be put on website. Lisa Cremer wants a form to set it up like the essay and suggested we set it up on Google forms and have an attachment added.

Lisa Cremer stated that we still need an Indiana Essay chair to take over from Amber Robinson. There was some discussion about essay results not getting to back to students or their teachers, or to the area festival chairs.

Lisa Cremer reported on the NFMC past president donation. This is set up for the NFMC president as he or she leaves office and the president determines a scholarship named for him or her. All states are expected to donate 250 per year of a president's term for a total of \$1,000. At our executive meeting a motion was made to pay \$250 per year over the remaining 2 year period of Michael Edwards' presidency. Stephen Gruoner moved to ratify the executive committee action. The motion passed.

Also, regarding large group festival events (5 or more students), students have 2 choices (1) only the group pays an entry fee x 2 and only the group gets points. If students want individual points, each student needs to pay entry fee. Andrea Schweitzer moved to ratify the executive committee action of this. This motion passed.

The 2020 national conference, will be at the Sheraton Hotel in Indianapolis. National will fund the expenses for this and pay a stipend to our state for sponsoring event. The dates should be June 18 to 22, 2020.

David Mannell and Catherine Kling were installed as Treasurer and Secretary, respectively, following votes electing them. Peg Bryan conducted the installation.

Lisa gave the dates for next year's meetings: September September 8, 2018 (Executive committee at 10:00 and Board at 11:00), January January 12, 2019 (Executive committee at 10:00 and Board at 11:00), both at Lisa's husband's office, Cremer & Cremer, 9993 Allisonville Road, Fishers, and May 31-June 1, possibly at University of Indianapolis (Rebecca Sorley & Lisa Cremer to discuss).

In other business, Andrea Schweitzer had 2 questions. 1st, regarding the LFO and piano solo events, why they could not be combined in a year. Virginia responded that it was because they are both piano solo events. 2nd was if a student reaches level 12 for trophies and is still progressing, what do they get. Linda Sabatino said they make another trophy and Lisa Cremer said they get a plaque.

Lisa Cremer adjourned meeting.