

ORMTA Etobicoke – Mississauga Branch
Executive & Planning Meeting

June 17, 2019

Studio of Thuy Bach

Minutes

Welcome: Lynne welcomed those present.

Attendance: Mimi, Linda, Lynne, Thuy, Lisa, Virginia, Carolyn, Deep, Jill and Rocco

Regrets: Abigail

Minutes: Carolyn moved the acceptance of the May 13, 2019 minutes as circulated; seconded by Virginia. Carried.

President's Update: Lynne reported:

Provincial Council follow-up – a summary of Council minutes now sent directly to members.

Discussion arose as to whether we should raise the score needed to get to Zone. Consensus: No

Treasurer's Report: Thuy reported:

Balances as of June 14: OA \$14,569.07
June 15: SA \$ 3,592.34

118 Scholarship cheques were given out. The total amount of these cheques will be reported ASAP by email.

Because we ran out of Scholarship cheques, Operating cheques were used (these cheques are recorded in blue on the report). The Scholarship account will be closed.

Cash jar donations were at a record high (\$917.05), due in large part to Linda's persistent question to each family as to whether they would like to donate to the fund. Thank you, Linda!!

An honorarium + a tax receipt will be given to Joe for his entertaining presentation at the Branch dinner: 2 hours + mileage.

At next year's Scholarship Recital, cash awards will be given in place of cheques. Lynne will create a spreadsheet in order to print labels for the envelopes. Any ties will simply have the name written on the envelope. The program will need to be made up sooner so that Thuy can get the cash ready in time.

The Branch dinner will be increased next year to cover costs. Depending on the costs, it will likely be raised to \$35 per person.

Thuy moved the acceptance of her report; seconded by Lynne. Carried.

Committee Reports:

Workshops: Mimi will finalize both flyers and get them put on the website.

1. Jen Smele: Lead Sheet Interpretation (September 2019)
2. Dr. Deep Ganguly: Instruments From Around The World (October 2019)
 - Deep asked Mimi to remove the Dr. in his name
 - Mimi will finalize both flyers and get them put on the website.
 - Deep will put up flyers once Mimi has sent him a printable 8" x 11" color version

ARCT Joe Show (August 19 – 21, 2019)

The church is booked. Virginia will notify members.

Tea, Coffee & Water - Mimi

Veggies & Sandwiches for Wed lunch – Mimi

Cookies daily & Dessert for Wed lunch - Virginia

Cost: Early Bird \$190 (\$200 at the door)

Assessments:

Recording will be allowed by parents of their own child, but no one else. This will be added to the Assessment rules.

The following changes will be made to the Ensemble classes:

Preparatory (Prep A & B)

Primary (Lvl 1 & 2)

Junior (Lvl 3 – 5)

Early Intermediate (Lvl 6 & 7)

Intermediate (Lvl 8 & 9)

Advanced (Lvl 10 & ARCT)

For each of the classes, each person in an ensemble must be in the Level of the class.

Scholarship Recital:

The basement being booked was a big disruption. Ken Hori knows not to book someone in the future. He is the best person to speak with on this issue. We may consider finding a new venue for a future year.

Lynne will modify the certificates through the use of ORMTA's website templates. It will save money and they are lovely templates. A digital signature can be done as well.

The name of the Scholarship Recital is confusing, as it is a competition. The name will be changed to: Etobicoke-Mississauga Branch Competition.

Recording will be allowed by parents of their own child, but no one else. This will be added to

the Etobicoke-Mississauga Branch Competition rules.

Halloween Recital:

Virginia will contact Aimée to see if she is still willing to host this. If so, she will offer to have Rocco help out as a co-host. That way, Rocco can see how it is run and if Amy decides to bow out at some point, he can take over as the host.

Media:

Lynne will email the membership and GTA members about the August Joe Show and both workshops. She will also contact Abigail to have her do some paid Facebook advertising.

Fundraising: No report

Website:

The following roles have been updated from what was stated in the March 18, 2019 minutes to:

- Technical Set-up and Assistance – Sheri
- Maintenance (including creating pages and working with some design elements) - Lisa
- Content Checking – Lynne and Mimi

Young Artist: No report

Outreach:

Linda will send a card to Marg due to her husband's health issues.

Lisa's membership certificates are ready and look great! Linda will invite eligible members to the September 30 AGM so they can be presented with their certificate.

Christmas Branch Dinner (Sunday, December 1, 2019) Linda has made a 6 PM booking at Rogues. Last year's restaurant, The Apricot Tree, does not book Sundays without a commitment of 15 – 20 people with a set menu, hence the change of restaurant.

Adjournment: Linda moved for adjournment.

Next meeting: Executive Meeting 10:00 AM – Monday, September 16, 2019 at Thuy's Studio.