

MTAM Meeting Minutes 10/22/2016

MTAM Fall Conference

Meeting began: 8:36 am

Approve agenda

- Motion made
- Seconded
- All in favor
- Passed

President's report

- Thanks board!
- Thanks to Mt Hope Lutheran Church and Christina for being such gracious hosts!
- Going to National AMTA - lots of MN voices there
 - Hope to see you there
- Don't forget to become a MTAM member for next year - see job listings, apply for scholarships, access to member news, etc
- Drum Circle in July
 - We hosted the drum circle to offer a space for neighbors to connect and feel like a part of the community amidst the unrest in our city
 - Thanks to everyone who helped make it happen – Mike LimBybliw and interns, Jen Hicks
- Utilize the GLR mentorship program
 - As a mentor or if you are seeking someone to mentor you
- Looking ahead – MTAM will be making a budget, updating by-laws and policies
 - If you have thoughts about adding an appointed board position of internship consultant, please find Claire and share your ideas!
- Reminder – today's conference does not take the place of the AMTA Supervisor Training needed to be a national roster internship site

Report from Angie – Update from UND MT Program

- They are still trying to get the decision reversed
- UND Music facebook page can offer updates
- They are trying to go through appropriate channels which hasn't worked as much as they hoped
- SO they are looking for more public support to remind the school that this is an important program
 - New emails can be sent to UND officials
 - Please don't use a form letter – make it unique

Past President Report

- Reminder that Jess can help with advocacy issues
- Don't forget to nominate people for the Friends of MT, Lifetime Achievement, and Service Awards

President-Elect's Report

- Internship Stipend winner – Eric Selle. Congratulations Eric!
- Deadline for the next stipend award is January 31st

Vice President Report

- Thank you to Mt Hope Lutheran Church and Christina Brantner
- Thank you to our conference speakers and panelists
- Write down questions throughout the day to ask our panelists
- Please be thinking of future conference topics and speakers throughout the day and include those on your evaluation
- Everyone must fill out an evaluation form **and** turn it in to receive CMTE credits!

Secretary Report

- Meeting minutes available on website

Treasurer Report

- Current Membership: 93 professional, 15 students
- We are trying to update member information – please stop by the registration table to check your information and correct it if needed
- In the coming months we will be working on creating a mission-based budget

PR chair

- Observation requests (from high schoolers/interns/etc) – suggested spreadsheet
 - Do we want to keep it as a private list that Jen emails out as requested or as a list on our website that can be viewed (similar to the private practice list)?
 - Share your thoughts with Jen
- Job postings
 - We get regular job postings that are posted on our website – be sure to check them out!
- Social media features
 - MT in the Schools
 - Eric Selle
 - National Roster Internship Sites
 - Out-State MTs
 - MTAM History
- Facebook Event
 - Hair-Raising Fundraiser for Pete Meyer
- Facebook, Instagram, Twitter Connections
 - @musictherapymn
 - #MTAM
 - #AMTA16

Website report

- Check out the website! www.musictherapymn.com

Newsletter

- The latest issue is on the website
- Send in more for the Spring newsletter

Government Relation report

- We have to re-introduce music therapy licensure bills this year so we will need a lot of letters/support/etc to get these bills going
- Build a base of music therapy champions and advocates
 - Identify people who would be interested in helping with music therapy advocacy
 - Lobbyists for other issues, senators, congressmen, people who are in leadership at prominent businesses
 - One way to get advocates is to get these people into the field to see what we do
 - If you have videos that we can share, please let us know
- Take a look at the email that went out and see how you can be involved – any contribution, large or small, is needed and appreciated!
- Please contact the Task Force (Melissa Spiess or Todd Schwartzberg) with any questions or concerns
- Keep in mind that we will only move forward with licensure if it makes sense and benefits us as MTs

Reimbursement report

- We are getting a lot of things done with reimbursement
 - Happens on a case by case basis
- You are all invited to the Brantner's house for a Halloween fundraiser on Sat. Oct 29 for Pete Meyer as he is recovering from some recent health issues
 - Better Than Karaoke Band will be playing from 5-9
 - \$5 suggested door cover
 - \$5 suggested song request
 - Proceeds will be going to help Pete with health costs
 - If you are not able to come but would like to contribute – there is a GoFundMe Page set up for Pete
 - More information can be found on the facebook event

Student report

- Augsburg: No Report
- UMN: Olivia Bergh is president of MTSA
 - Wrote a successful grant to the UMN Activities Board to help send students to national conference
 - West Bank Arts Festival – MTSA hosted a drum circle, advocated for music therapy
 - Students from the MT program will be performing as a part of Student Night with the MN Orchestra

Members-at-Large

- Pete Meyer
 - Will be a delegate at AMTA, please send him any items you may want him to bring to the meeting
- Lyndie Walker
- Amy Furman

Friend of Music Therapy Award is being presented to Doug Schmitt of Schmitt Music!!

Motion to adjourn

Seconded

All in favor

Passed

Meeting adjourned at 9:27am