

MTAM Meeting notes-May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 6:30 p.m.

Present: Mike LimByblew, Peter Meyer, Krista Nelson, Beth Cummins-Postigo, Elizabeth Giffin, Erin Fox, Jessica DeVillers, Amy Furman, Erinn Danielson, Christina Wood (via telephone), Melissa Wenzell (via telephone)

- I. Call to order-6:35 p.m. by Peter Meyer
- II. Approval of Minutes-Meeting minutes approved
- III. Officer Reports:
  - a. Past President:
    - i. Elizabeth spoke with someone from Indiana (Stephanie) who explained Indiana Association of Music Therapists' process for becoming a 501C3. Conclusion: We need to change our mission statement to include "increasing access to services" and change bi-laws to re-apply for 501C3 status. We will research other states whose associations are 501C3s and include this information when we reapply for this status.
  - b. President:
    - i. MTAM is celebrating 40 years of existence this year-we should do something to promote this significant milestone. Pete will ask Roberta to write a brief history of MTAM to include in the newsletter. We will have cake at the next meeting to celebrate.
  - c. President Elect:
    - i. Jessica sent out letters to stipend applicants and recipient. Jessica and Christina are working together to plan the next conference.
  - d. Vice President
    - i. Sent out email this morning about working on securing the location for conference, will host at Woodbury Health Care center for free. We will check into the cost of catering through Woodbury, but we will also investigate other options such as Subway, D'Amico boxes, pizza, etc. Christina and Jessica are working on securing presenters for the conference.
    - ii. Wisconsin offers reciprocity to other GLR states for state conferences-should we do the same? Motion made and carried to give other GLR states reciprocity for conferences. We are looking into ability to stream conference online so people can attend via web.
    - iii. We are considering raising cost of conferences to cover expenses.
  - e. Treasurer
    - i. We spent about \$2300 for Spring Conference and brought in just over \$3000. Beth sent check for internship stipend out to recipient but it has not cleared yet. Beth and Elizabeth spoke with Dan from Harrington, Langer, and Associates, CPA, about taxes. It seems an extension will be filed.
    - ii. Beth brought copies of a budget she created for MTAM. We currently have 80 members of MTAM (including students.)

- f. Secretary
  - i. Nothing to report.
- g. Public Relations
  - i. Mike is considering adding RSVP function to MTAM events (ex. Spill the Wine, MTAM meetings, etc.) so we know how many people are planning to come.
  - ii. Considering hosting national MT conference in Minneapolis/St. Paul for 2015.
- h. Web Master
  - i. Not much to report. Krista tied up some loose ends with new website-had to change some links to redirect to new website rather than old one.
  - ii. Someone posted a job on our Facebook page, Krista will redirect job posting to website rather than Facebook page.
- i. Government Relations
  - i. Report submitted online via email to MTAM membership.
- j. Reimbursement
  - i. Nothing to report.
- k. Members at Large
  - i. Amy is suggesting people attend CMTE about leadership at National conference. Suggestion that we pay for CMTE. We will let Mike know about this so that he can send an email.
- l. Students
  - i. Not present at meeting.
- m. Newsletter
  - i. Not present at meeting
- IV. Review Spring Conference
  - a. Nothing additional.
- V. Discuss Award Protocol
  - a. Friend of MTAM
    - i. Amy F suggests that someone write a paragraph about who should receive the award and why.
    - ii. Representative Slawick was nominated for this award, as well as a nomination made by Amy Matson.
  - b. Lifetime Achievement Award
    - i. It was suggested that perhaps there should be a 15 year minimum in the field to receive this award. Also, what should be given as an award was discussed-likely a plaque.
    - ii. We will vote on protocol for giving these awards at the next meeting.
- VI. Fall Conference
  - a. Christina is sending out emails to potential speakers this week. We are suggesting that we offer each speaker \$150 dollars to present for approximately 2 hours.
- VII. Adjourned-7:35 p.m. Next meeting will be Tuesday, July 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. at Good Sam.