Gwinnett County Music Teachers Association

Executive Board Meeting

August 22, 2018, 9:30 a.m.

1400 Dogwood Road Snellville, GA

***Welcome and Opening:***

***President: Eva Bone***The meeting was called to order by Eva at 9:41 am.

***Officers Reports:***

***President: Eva Bone*** Eva read the report that she wrote and sent to GMTA, regarding the events of the last year for GCMTA. Cathy Thacker gave details of the upcoming GMTA conference. Cathy is now S and Mary Ann McTier is Secretary for GMTA. Cathy and Deb Hughes will be presenting at the conference.

***President-Elect: Pam Asberry*** Pam went over the program line-up for this coming year.

***Secretary: Chris Morrow*** Minutes stand approved as posted on website.

***Treasurer:Gloria Park*** Taxes have been filed. Budget for website maintenance should be on the website. Budget stands approved as posted.

***Committee Reports:***

***Advisory: Mary Ann McTier*** No Report

***Anti-Trust: Cathy Thacker*** Cathy reviewed the Anti-Trust Compliance

***Certification: Robin Engleman*** Robin is continuing the quest for national certification in voice. She used the funds awarded by MTNA last year for voice lessons and is continuing to take lessons. She is coaching a few students but to date doesn’t have any voice students, which is necessary for some of the certification projects.

***Directory/Internet Liaison: Julie Smith*** Submit updates to Julie and Jonny Park.

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***Federated Festivals: Nora Martin*** A lot of new teachers will be participating, and Peggy Lee will be a chair. Deadline for Sr. Dues is September 1, and September 8th for Jr. Dues. November 15th is latest deadline for late/new students.

***West:*** No Report

***Central:*** Has two new teachers and one transfer teacher. 6 judges are in place, with David Watkins as the High School Judge. Michelle Peck (chair) would like to thank Jenny McCormick for organizing the judges.

***North:*** One new teacher, and all judges are in place.

***GMTA Auditions: Deb Hughes*** Local auditions for Piano are on February 16th, 2019. Regional auditions will be at Brenau University on March 16th, and State will be on March 30th, 2019. Vocal and Instrumental auditions are at Kennesaw on April 6, 2019.

***GMTA/GATE Theory: Debbie Murphy*** The following tasks have been completed with regard to GMTA Theory Testing for Music Day and for GATE at Local Auditions:  
1. Updated web pages were emailed to Gloria for Johnny. 2. Testing Dates, deadlines, and other pertinent information were included in the August newsletter. 3. Testing Dates, deadlines, and other pertinent information were emailed to Mandy Reynolds/GMTA for online registration preparation.

***Hospitality: Tina Darden*** Music and Arts will provide refreshments for our September meeting.

***Jr/Sr. Scholarship Auditions: Yumi Patterson*** Auditions will take place at Berean Baptist Church on April 13, 2019 from 9-12.

***Membership: Deb Hughes*** We have several potential members. Deb encouraged members to follow-up with former members who have not renewed membership.

***Music Day: Brooke Dunn*** Music Day is scheduled for November 10th at First Baptist Church Duluth. Registration will tentatively open September 1st and close October 5th, and all checks should be postmarked by October 9th. The website has been updated for

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this year, with minor changes to some wording for clarification, and some sections put into PDF's for ease in navigating the web pages. There will be a rate raise from $85 to $95 per piano for tuning. Brooke is looking for someone to take over the chairman position next year. She has asked a couple of people already but haven't found anyone yet.

***MTNA Foundation/GMTA Awards: Debby Brady*** Ideas were proposed for next year’s basket. The ideas of a Holiday basket and two baskets were discussed. Contributing members should bring items to the October meeting.

***Newsletter: Natalie Hardy*** Submit newsletter articles to Natalie by September 1st.

***Performance Day: Lois Simon*** The Van Maur store in the Mall of GA is available for December 1st or 8th for our event. Student fees are $8.

***Placement: Chris Morrow*** Several inquiries were received over the summer from students, as well as from a few teachers either leaving the area or moving into our district.

***Publicity (Social Media): Ginger Tankersley*** Pam Asberry mentioned that someone is posting items for sale on our Facebook page. She offered to take care of the situation if she would be made an administrator of the site

***Teacher of the Year: Mary Ann McTier*** The website has been updated with Cathy Thacker’s (2017-18 TOTY) info and pictures from the May luncheon. Nominations are now open for the 2018-19 TOTY.

***Unfinished Business:*** None

***New Business:*** Deb Hughes proposed a Music Education/Pedagogy Scholarship that our group would sponsor. A motion was made to form a committee comprised of Deb, Gloria Park, and Mary Ann McTier, to discuss and create a formal proposal to present to the EB in October. Eva discussed the MTNA webinar on a thriving association and our need to reach a younger group of teachers. She mentioned a few of the ideas she liked the most: Open House,

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Mentors to High School and College teachers, and evening Roundtable meetings. We would need a committee to do networking.

***Good of Order:*** Federated will host a conference on September 22, 2018. The clinician, Paul Juntas, will present on teaching Generation Z at PianoWorks. Cathy Thacker and Pam Asberry passed out flyers for upcoming concerts. Deb Hughes reminded teachers of the Atlanta Music Clubs scholarships on March 19, 2019. Francis Leach spoke of his availability as an event judge, and his willingness to do a program next year. He has DVDs and CDs available of his concerts.

***Adjourn:*** 11:45 am

***Attendance:*** See attached sheet