

GWINNETT COUNTY MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

May 18, 2022

1123 Dogwood Road, Snellville, GA

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

President – Cathy Thacker

Cathy Thacker called the meeting to order at 10:03a.m. She informed members to stay tuned for info/news from GMTA this Summer.

President-Elect – Gloria Park

Gloria Park thanked everyone for attending the luncheon. She is lining up programs for next year.

Secretary—Debbie Murphy

Minutes for the April Executive Board meeting were emailed to the membership and are posted on the website. They stand as emailed.

Treasurer – Robin Engleman

The Treasurer's Report was emailed to the membership. There were no questions or concerns.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Advisory – Pam Asberry

No report

Anti-Trust – Mary Ann McTier

No report

Certification – Robin Engleman

No report

Digital Resources – Kathy Dawal

Kathy asked members to contact her if they need help with digital needs.

Directory/Internet – Kimber Kwaitkowski

No report

Federated Festivals – Judy Harper

No report

Mary Ann McTier mentioned that teachers in the Central District still do not have gold cups.

North – Beth Ann Wise

Federated North district Entrants: 267 (Piano: Solo 261 Piano: Concerto 6)

Scholarship winners:

1st Place – Sophia Li – teacher Ping Xu

2nd Place – Megan Lee – teacher Ping Xu

3rd Place – William Li – teacher Ping Xu

Honorable Mentions:

Xiaojun Ge – teacher Ping Xu

Claire Jung – teacher Ping Xu

Michel Slamant – teacher Gloria Park

Fiona Guo – teacher Ping Xu

Peyton Harvey – teacher Theresa Pellicer

Dilan Shingadia – teacher Gloria Park

West – Becky Bonam

No report

Central – Michelle Peck

No report

GMTA Auditions – Jiyeon Kwak

No report

GMTA/GATE Theory – Rie Hosoi

No report

Hospitality – Tina Darden

Cathy Thacker thanked Tina for setting up the beautiful decorations for today's luncheon.

Junior/Senior Scholarship Audition – Yumi Patterson

No report

MED/PED Scholarship – Gloria Park

No one applied for the scholarship this year.

Member-at-large – Susan Andrews

No report

Membership – Deb Hughes

Remember to join MTNA. Membership is now open for the 2022/23 and easily done online!

GCMTA has consistently had new members join throughout this past year which is so exciting! Gwinnett County is still the **largest** MTA group in Georgia at this time. Remember that each member is important to inviting new teachers to join so carry your GCMTA invitation cards and

liberally apply them at music stores, schools and wherever you can. How can they join if they don't know?

I want to especially thank our veteran members who filled the very important role of mentor. They have stepped forward to come alongside of our new members. Here are our 2021/2022 GCMTA mentors: Susan Andrews, Patti Bennett, Mary Marshall Dekkers, Deb Hughes, Chris Morrow, Debbie Murphy, Gloria Park. Cathy Thacker is on deck waiting for the next one who requests a mentor. *(Did I miss anyone?)*

These mentors are of HUGE importance! This factor surely helps make us the **best** in Georgia because it is how we continue to build, guide and integrate with each other as teachers and professionals that count the most! If any one wishes to mentor next year, please contact Deb Hughes at bndhughes@comcast.net.

So Bravissimo to GCMTA for being terrific this past season. Keep up ALL the good work, GCMTA!!

Music Day – Patti Bennett

No report

Music Link – Nora Martin

All students have a teacher.

The benefits from Music Link have increased.

MTNA Foundation/GMTA Awards – Mary Ann McTier

No report

Newsletter – Diana Cleland

Cathy Thacker reminded everyone of the August 1st deadline for the next newsletter.

Performance Day – Lois Simon

No report

Publicity/Social Media – (Open)

Teacher of the Year – Pam Asberry

The winner will be revealed after the business meeting.

Unfinished Business –

None

New Business –

Robin Engleman reviewed each line item in the Proposed Budget for 2022-2023 and elaborated on certain items that were voted upon at the April Executive Board meeting. Please refer to the Minutes for the April Executive Board meeting for more details on the motions for those items.

Cathy Thacker made a motion to accept the Proposed Budget for 2022-2023 as presented.

Robin Engleman seconded.

The vote passed unanimously.

Good of Order –

Mary Ann McTier – She recommended an anthology by Schirmer, Piano Masterpieces, Early Advanced, that she recently discovered.

Kathy Dawal – The Chopin Society is offering a workshop in June where students will be mentored on the different styles of Chopin. The price is reasonable, and she recommends checking it out.

Nora Martin – PianoWorks has a small supply of URTEXT editions free of charge.

Mary Marshall – She encouraged members to consider joining the Georgia Musicale group.

Motion to Adjourn – Cathy Thacker adjourned the business meeting at 10:38a.m.

Attendees:

Susan Andrews

Pam Asberry

Kathy Dawal

Tina Darden

Mary Marshall Dekkers

Robin Engleman

Judy Harper

Kimber Kwiatkowski

Nora Martin

Mary Ann McTier

Nancy Morris

Debbie Murphy

Gloria Park

Cathy Thacker

2 guests of Kathy Dawal (her husband & sister)