

The Fairfax-Loudoun Music Fellowship met at Music and Arts in Sterling on Wednesday, October 10 at 9:45 am. Members present were Bonnie Hudson, Claudia Libero, Jeri Bennett, Sandy Titus, Phyllis Vickers, Thabie Melvin, Gretel Von Pischke, Lory D. Gustafson, Beverly Teague, Karen Pino, Diane Kimble, Jane Webb, Debra Gunnerson, Kay Willett, Tina Isom, Natasha Porter, Maria Bokel, Christy Tallamy, Amy Work, Beth Corry, Sandy Baker, Betty Bley, Suzanne Sorensen, Sharon Reck, Elza Ritter, and Kathleen Hall.

September minutes were read and approved.

New members/visitors present were Natasha Porter, who teaches violin in the Reston/Herndon area; Tina Isom, a friend of Kathleen Hall, teaches piano privately and at A & A Music in Ashburn; Christy Tallamy teaches piano and voice in Leesburg; Thabie Melvin teaches piano students in the Reston/Herndon area and works for Nancy Davis in Virginia; Beth Corry teaches piano in Fairfax, and is an accompanist and organist; Sandy Titus will be reopening her piano studio in Reston in the fall of 2013.

Regarding the website, Jeri Bennett discussed how to list teachers (currently listed by town) who travel to different areas. The motion to add a section for "Traveling Teachers" to our website teacher listings passed. Jeri will put a link to their bios on their primary geographical listing.

Debra Gunnerson reported that we have 40 students and 9 teachers performing on the October RCC recitals, which will be held October 14.

Kay Willett brought two Nelita True teaching videos available for borrowing today. There is a mistake in the handbook, where Jane Webb's phone number is listed for Kay in the library section. Please make the change to this correct number: 703-443-8536.

Ensemble Festival dates are set: Feb. 23 at Dominion High School (snow date, March 2 at Champe High School). The sectional rehearsals will be at The Piano Company Feb. 2 (Feb 9 snow date). Music packets are available at Music and Arts. Teachers should not keep a packet longer than four days. Please call ahead to Music and Arts to see if a packet is available. Call Amy Work for help if you cannot secure a packet. Registration is fast approaching, and registration forms must be prepared to send to Maria Bokel by November 1. Email the form to Maria on November 1 at 8 am or later, up to November 7. Any emails received before 8 am will not be reviewed until all other registration forms received at 8 am are reviewed. Checks, made out to FLMF, should be mailed to Maria Bokel during the registration period to secure each student's group in the festival.

The choir pieces are solo accompaniment, but all the other repertoire is for duet/trio. We need vocalists for these pieces. There will be a \$10 fee for students registering to

sing but not for students who are already registering to play another instrument. A guest choir is only available if the location is moved to Tuscarora High School.

All the music for the festival is on the website for teachers and students to hear. Music will be sold to participating teachers at the November 14th meeting. Tasks will be distributed to all participating teachers at the next business meeting.

Sandy Baker presented the treasurer's report: \$18,084.98 in the account. Sandy has deposited \$170 for new members, and she has a list of other expenses since September. One expense was the music from the last ensemble festival, which now can be sold to members. Ornaments are available for teachers to sell to their students (\$5) apiece in advance of the holiday season.

The Dulles Town Center Concert is probably not going to happen this year. The marketing director says corporate will not give approval for performances during the construction phase. If anything changes, he'll contact the performing groups who have participated in the past.

Respectfully submitted,

Libby McConnell