The Fairfax-Loudoun Music Fellowship met on Wednesday, May 14 at Beverly Teague's home in Waterford. Attendees included Claudia Libero, Sharon Reck, Libby McConnell, Debra Gunnerson, Kathleen Bellamy, Zac Kimball, Gabriela Morris, Susan Johnson, Phyllis Vickers, Beverly Teague, Jane Webb, Sherri Stricker, Rebecca Stricker, Lydia Kriso, Julie Bennett, Kay Willett, Sandy Isaacs, Sandy Baker, Maria Bokel, Charlotte Schefter, Karen Pino, and Mark Pino.

Sharon Reck opened the meeting at 10:20. She thanked Gretel von Pischke for hosting the recent FLMF soiree. Sharon asked for members who could help bring meals to Amy Work during current health issues.

March minutes were read and approved.

Sandy Baker gave the treasurer's report. The balance is \$16,330.29. Sandy had a profit and loss statement from May 1, 2013, through May 13, 2014. Income of \$11,283.00 included: Dues--\$2,940.00 Ensemble Festival--\$4,470.00 Reston Recitals--\$1,128.00 Dulles Town Center--\$2,745.00

Some of the expenses of \$12,476.94 included: Donation to MusicLink--\$2500.00 Insurance--\$150 and \$450, for harpsichord and for group liability. Quickbooks--\$224.95 Harpsichord-\$1,292.12 Website: \$372.00 Program speakers--\$1,250.00 P.O. Box \$240.00, which will be eliminated this year.

The bank account has been changed to Bank of America from Wells Fargo. Our FLMF address as of June 1, 2014 will be Sandy Baker's home address, which is 41635 Browns Farm Lane, Leesburg, VA 20176. She will notify the post office of our forwarding address. Members should let any vendors of the new address, as well.

Jeri Bennett announced that she is currently accepting membership dues of \$40. We had 74 paid members for 2013-2014. Jeri will send emails to remind all members to pay soon. Jeri sent around a handbook for members to note any updates in contact information. Please send Nancy Plourde other updates by email before mid-July.

Debra Gunnerson said that next year there will be one Sunday recital on October 19, 2014, and one Saturday recital on May 16, 2015. This Saturday's recitals have over 50 students playing in two recitals. Most of the repertoire is quite short, so there are only two recital hours. FLMF will continue hosting two recitals per date in 2014-2015.

Maria Bokel said that there have been two music selection meetings already, with much repertoire chosen for the 2015 Ensemble Festival. Participants are urged to attend selection meetings, to give input on repertoire and to learn from the core group of teachers involved in the event. The next meeting will be at Sharon Reck's home on May 21 at 9:30 am.

Claudia Libero announced the establishment of a Ruthanne Lodato Scholarship to be used for the NVMTA scholarship endowment fund for students in financial need. NVMTA sponsored a recital with a reception on April 4, and twelve of Ruthanne's students performed, along with several teachers. Over \$12,000 has been donated. Claudia brought music and magazines for sale to members, with all income going to the scholarship. Five percent of donations are given yearly to deserving students. Sandy Baker made a motion that FLMF donate \$100 to the fund to acknowledge the loss of a valuable area teacher. The motion was seconded and approved.

Lydia Kriso and Phyllis Vickers requested ideas for upcoming programs. Members are encouraged to submit ideas to either program chair. In discussion, technology is a big issue for all teachers. Maria Bokel mentioned that "MoosicStudio" and "MusicTeachersHelper" are two useful apps for music teachers.

The Lang Lang book is missing from the library. Please check your home and contact Kay Willett if you have this item. Contact Kay for materials.

Special guests today include Zac Kimball, the new Music and Arts manager in Leesburg. He is working to tailor the music on-site for teachers. Please give input on regular music purchases to Zac. Kathleen Bellamy is now the regional marketing manager for Music and Arts, overseeing donations, event coordination, ad requests, and national lesson campaigns and teacher appreciation day programs. She can be reached at 301-620-4040, ext. 1118, or email at <u>kbellamy@musicarts.com</u>.

The meeting adjourned for the annual luncheon at 11:00 am. Thanks to Beverly Teague for hosting an event enjoyed by all.

Respectfully submitted, Libby McConnell