

Minutes

SFBAC-NATS Board Meeting

Saturday, March 9, 2013, 2:00 pm, Katie Tupper's house

Present: Teresa Cardinale, Alison Collins, Victoria Rapanan, Lee Strawn, Katie Tupper, April McNeely, Justin Montigne, Jennifer Sandusky

Absent: Sue Field

Victoria called meeting to order at 2:10

President's Report: Victoria

- A. The judges for the finals will be Cesare Curzi, Brian Staufenbiel, and Olivia Stapp
- B. We are still working with Diablo Valley College on the Spring and Fall workshops
- C. The judges will be reimbursed for their mileage and the board approved to give each judge a \$50 gift from the Festival budget.
- C. Our annual general meeting and party will be moved to June 8th at 12:00 pm. We are looking for a location for the meeting.

II. Singing Festival Report: April

- A. All registration forms have been processed. We have 307 auditioned spots.
- B. Due to the large number of entrants, monetary awards will be given to first place winners in each division.
- C. Repertory lists will be emailed to all teachers very soon.
- D. We are looking for door monitors for the day.

III. Newsletter Report: Alison

- A. The newsletter went out a couple weeks ago and another newsletter will go out after the festival in early May. Submissions for the letter will be due April 20th.

IV. Corresponding Secretary Report: Alison

- A. We are still looking for a Corresponding Secretary. Interested members should contact Alison Collins.

V. Membership Report: Frank

- A. We have 27 new members and are now up to 140 members.
- B. Scholarship donations are much less than last year.
- C. We are looking at sending hard copies of the directory to members.

VI. Recitals: Katie

- A. We are looking at the possibility of having recitals once a month.
- B. We have a date set for April 12th at Phil's Coffee in Palo Alto from 7-8:30. This will be a musical theater/pop show open to teachers and NATS students. Interested members should

contact Katie Tupper.

C. We are looking to hold more beginners and late bloomers recitals.

D. Katya Roemer and Peggy Spool will no longer be organizing the South Bay recital and Jennifer Cowgill Sandusky will be taking that job.

E. Justin Montigne is researching more recital opportunities in San Francisco.

VI. Webmaster Report: Justin

A. Website seems to be working. No corrections since last time. Installed google analytics so we can see our traffic and top pages of interest.

B. We have 47 Facebook likes, not all members. Should shoot for 75-80 by fall and full membership participation by year's end. Group is still used for active discussion among members, which is good. Official page could use more regular updates. I'm happy to do it, but don't feel inhibited from posting on your own.

C. We have a YouTube channel created, but nothing public posted yet. Justin uploaded videos from the Noontime NATS recital, but they're private. When we have more videos to share, we can make the channel live.

D. Cards reminding members to renew have arrived, and Board Members are taking them and distributing them.

E. We can do an IndieGogo or Kickstarter campaign to pursue scholarship funds.

VIII. Treasurer's Report: Lee

A. The treasury is in good standing.

B. If members need reimbursement for funds or payment for an accompanist, they need to submit a request to Lee 4 weeks before the funds are needed.

Current Balances:

General Fund: \$10,742.66

Scholarship Funds: \$11,804.78

Activity since last report:

Recital Income \$450.00

Recital Expenses – Accompanists (\$450.00)

Recital Expenses – Site Rental (\$145.00)

Recital Expenses – misc. (\$18.00)

Membership Dues \$420.00

Web site maintenance (\$25.90)

Bank Interest \$0.71

Cohen Fund Contribution \$47.97

Oren Brown DVD Sales \$42.12

Workshop Expenses – Alexander Technique \$77.36

TOTAL \$244.54

IX. Program Report: Sue

A. Many thanks to Frank Ryken and Susan Nance for their Alexander Workshops. Costs for both were about \$77 and have been reimbursed.

B. The Spring Workshop will probably be in June.

X. New Business

A. Meghan Dibble has set up chapter cocktail hours on the second Friday of every month, 5:30 to 6:30 pm, at her studio in Berkeley.

B. We are looking at developing joint programs between teachers to be presented as workshops or open studios for non-NATS students.

C. We are looking at developing a Sing-a-pa-looza wherein students get sponsorships to sing in recitals all day and raise more money for NATS.

Our next meeting will be Saturday, April 27th at 11:00 a.m. at Lee Strawn's studio:

965 Mission St. at 5th St.

San Francisco

Park: on street or at 5th and Mission Garage

BART/MUNI: to Powell and market, then walk 1 ½ blocks

Meeting Adjourned by Victoria at 3:40 pm.

Board Member	Vote	Comments
Victoria Rapanan		
Sue Field		
Katie Tupper	Yes!	
April McNeely		
Frank Ryken	yes	
Alison Collins		
Lee Strawn	Yes	
Jennifer Cowgill Sandusky	yes	
Justin Montigne	yes	