



## Minutes from the 101<sup>st</sup> Annual General Meeting Provincial M.R.M.T.A.

Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Via Zoom Video Communications, Inc.

Meeting Chaired by President Leanne Hiebert; minutes taken by Secretary Lori Jede.

**Present:** Leanne Hiebert, Laureen Kells (CFMTA president), Rachel Anderson, Betti Canning, Sister Josephine Chudzik, Norinne Danzinger-Dueck, Linda DePauw, Joanne Diplock, Rachel Dueck, Bernadette Geras, Ann Germani, Lorilee Glenat, Mavis Green, Wes Hamm, Annette Hay, Everett Hopfner, Virginia Heinrichs, Christina Hutton, Lori Jede, Evangeline Keeley, Helen LaRue, Michele Leclerc, Laura Liu, Eleanor Lwiwski, Lara Mason, Dianne Norris, Marlene Pauls Laucht, Tracy Regier Sawatzky, Muriel Smith, Leora Sorenson, Glory St. Germain, Viktoriya Tuz, Gina Wedel, Tiffany Wilson.

### 1. President's Welcome and Address:

President Leanne Hiebert welcomed all to our first Zoom AGM! She announced that most of our events will be done online this year. Scholarship competition details will be put on the website. Workshops and Master classes will also be on Zoom. Please Take Note of updates ☺ Our national conference this next summer will also be online.

### 2. Greetings from the CFMTA President Laureen Kells, Saskatchewan:

A reminder that at the national level, the E-festival, under a new chair, will be held in November. Our national convention will be virtual in July 2021. Please contact Laureen for more information if you are interested in helping plan this event. There are currently thirteen programs at the national level.

CFMTA is wanting to look seriously into grants to help music teachers on the front lines of music education.

A reminder that a Certificate of Recognition for Professional Achievement is available to registered teachers – go online to list what you are already doing. You will get a certificate for your wall to remind parents and students that we take what we do seriously.

After this year, Laureen will hand the reins over to Joyce Hein, and they are now seeking a person for vice president next year. If anyone is interested in getting involved, they also need chairs and volunteers for the national events.

### 3. Special Recognition:

The following are those who received special recognition for years of being MRMTA members:

**20-year retroactive:** (These awards were handed out retroactively as the following members had already passed the 20-year mark when this award was introduced in 2014. We felt it important to honour these long-standing members.)

25 years - Sister Josephine Chudzik

26 years - Ann Germani, Mavis Green, Rosemary Klaassen, Leora Loewen, Dianne Norris  
27 years - Barbara Anhang, Joanne Diplock, Lorilee Glenat, Loren Hiebert  
28 years - Rita Dyck, Diane Knute, Melody Koop, Deborah Judith, Trudy Voth

20 years - Glory St. Germain  
30 years - Lara Mason  
40 years - Helen La Rue, Marlene Pauls Laucht

Welcome back to re-instated members – Tannis Hofer, Robert Richardson Jr, Valdine Anderson.

Welcome to new members Natalie Dawe, Everett Hopfner, Justin Odwak.

A moment of silence was taken to remember long time member Wendy Menzies, who passed away in March.

#### **4. Adoption of Agenda:**

**MOTION: THAT THE AGENDA BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED. MOVED BY TIFFANY WILSON. SECONDED BY LORILEE GLENAT. ALL IN FAVOUR. MOTION CARRIED.**

#### **5. Minutes of the Provincial AGM September 22, 2019:**

**MOTION: THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PROVINCIAL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FROM SEPTEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup>, 2019 BE ADOPTED AS PRESENTED. MOVED BY SISTER JOSEPHINE CHUDZIK. SECONDED BY VIRGINIA HEINRICHS. ABSTAINING 2; 30 IN FAVOUR. MOTION CARRIED.**

#### **6. Executive Members' and Committee Chair Reports:**

All reports are included in the AGM package.

#### **7. Adoption of Reports:**

**MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE OFFICERS' AND COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS AS AMENDED. TWO REPORTS WERE ADDED - THE HOLTBY SCHOLARSHIP AND CANADA MUSIC WEEK. THE MRMTA COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD FOR STUDENTS DID NOT HAVE A REPORT THIS YEAR AS THERE WERE NO APPLICATIONS. MOVED BY TIFFANY WILSON. SECONDED BY BERNADETTE GERAS. ALL IN FAVOUR. CARRIED.**

#### **8. Treasury Report:**

Lori Jede highlighted the financial review committee and presented next year's volunteers to review the financials of 2020-2021 (Henriette Schellenberg, Rita Dyck, Annette Hay and Christina Hutton). Our current savings account holds approximately 2 years of our operating expenses as recommended.

#### **9. Adoption of Financial Report**

**MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE FINANCIAL REPORT AS PRESENTED. MOVED BY LORI JEDE. SECONDED BY MICHELE LECLERC. ALL IN FAVOUR. CARRIED.**

#### **10. New Business:**

- a. Teaching Rate

**PREAMBLE**

The current suggested minimum fee is \$26 per 30-minute lesson as voted on by the Executive Committee and presented to the membership in February of 2018.

**MOTION: TO SET THE SUGGESTED MINIMUM FEE AT \$27 PER 30-MINUTE LESSON. MOVED BY EVANGELINE KEELEY. SECONDED BY TIFFANY WILSON. ALL IN FAVOUR. CARRIED.**

- b. Revised 2020 By-Laws – Tiffany Wilson

**PREAMBLE**

The MRMTA Bylaws have been updated and a final draft sent out to the membership to review August 20th, 2020.

**MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE NEW MRMTA BYLAWS AS PRESENTED. MOVED BY TIFFANY WILSON. SECONDED BY EVANGELINE KEELEY.**

Discussion: Muriel Smith wanted to thank the committee for the huge amount of work that they undertook and to clarify that each position is in charge of their own specific duties.  
**ALL IN FAVOUR. CARRIED.**

**11. Nominations/Elections:**

Evangeline Keeley was appointed Vice President in August of 2019, and thus moves into the position of President.

Today we are voting for the positions of:

VICE PRESIDENT: Rachel Anderson has been nominated for this position and is declared elected by acclamation.

COMMUNICATION COORDINATOR: remains vacant

Special thanks from Virginia Heinrichs, Tiffany Wilson and Laura Liu to President Leanne Hiebert and the executive.

Farewell to Tiffany Wilson who has served on the executive for 12 years, and to Dianne Norris for her role in Communications over the last 4 years.

Best wishes from CFMTA National President Lauren Kells for our upcoming year.

**Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at 2:49pm.

Thanks for zooming in to the 101<sup>st</sup> AGM of the MRMTA!