

Minutes of the Meeting of the Music Therapy Association of Minnesota
Saturday, January 9, 2010 3:30 p.m. TGI Friday's – St. Louis Park, MN

Present: Alisa, Elizabeth, Kay, Danielle, Pete, Sarah, Rebecca, Bridget, Veronica,
Ashley (Augsburg student rep)

Absent: Barb, Jennifer, Todd, Melissa, Beth, Erin, Melissa H (U of MN student rep)

MTAM Scholarships – Pete Meyer

Applications from all candidates were reviewed by the board.

Six board members voted (two abstained) and selected Lynn O'Brien as the scholarship recipient.

Spring Conference

Kay discussed Barbara Elis from Arizona, who could present on Psychological First Aid and it's applications for music therapists. Total costs would be \$928, bringing the conference fee to \$50 (assuming 25 attendees). Board discussed the relevance of this topic to the MTAM community, possible liability issues regarding the exact name of the presentation, and applicability to students and non-MTs. Speaker would donate ½ of fee to "Give a Day to AMTA" and ½ back to MTAM.

Possible dates for spring conference were discussed. Best possibilities are March 6th or 27th. Kay and Danielle will follow-up with Augsburg and Barb to check availability.

Danielle will check on insurance for using the Augsburg facilities (per event or yearly?).

Board discussed issues with conference lunches, and the need to ensure that people who pay for lunches receive them. Catered plated lunches vs. boxed lunches vs. offsite eating was discussed. Board determined that a "ticket taker" (trade lunch ticket for plate) might be the best solution for lunch.

Other options for the spring conference: Multicultural issues or Percussion techniques Needs Assessment / Topics for future conferences

The question was asked if MTAM keeps track of conference topics as compared with attendance. Veronica has these records and will follow-up.

Next Meeting

Sunday, January 31st at 3:30 p.m. – Augsburg College Music Therapy room

Newsletters will be printed by then and will include the conference registration form.

Submitted by Rebecca Soderberg (1/9/10)