

SAI Board Meeting  
July 9, 2016  
St. Peters Lutheran Church

Those present: Emily Thompson, Liz Efroymsen, Diana Hummel, Sarah Pearce, Maria Mastropaolo, Emilie Grondin and Jillian Chrisman

Jillian will send out reminders to last year's members who have not renewed by the end of July.

**Vote:**

When an officer, other than president, who rotates out/whose term of office has come to an end, he or she may remain on the board, unless they choose to resign from the board. All present voted, "yea".

**Future projects:**

***Scholarships toward workshops or institutes for associate members:***

They must be a member of SAI and their teacher needs to be member of SAA. Scholarships are to be used only for workshops and institutes. Prospective students could make a video of them playing and talking and send video via a link to You Tube. Student must be teacher recommended. Judges who are outside of our Suzuki circles might be best in order to create fairness.

Liz will research how other affiliates raise scholarship funds, fund raiser events.

Associate membership funds could go to scholarship funds for students. This may encourage membership. We need to include on the application form 1) a place in which a donation can be made and 2) that we are a 501(c)3 organization so that members can record this on their taxes.

Not for profit is a 990 form – what is the threshold?

Let's put fund raising on the fall agenda.

***Faculty recitals:*** This could be done collaboratively.

***Honorary Members Expectations:*** It has been determined that honorary board member expectations are: 1) to share ideas, 2) to provide input and 3) to attend a board meeting once a year (held to a strict one hour). After some discussion, it was decided that current honorary board members will not be held strictly to the above expectations as the expectations were formed after the fact. They will be, however, cordially invited to attend a board meeting, especially when their expertise is needed.

***Financial:***

As a non-profit organization, how much should go into savings and into checking? Are any of our honorary members knowledgeable in finances? Maria responded Diane, having been past president of SAA, is knowledgeable. Liz was told that non-profits should show not a huge profited. We agreed that perhaps Diane should be approached for her experience in this matter. Liz said, "Our expenses are so minimal, let's look at our expenses and see what we can afford with income coming in."

***Next meeting:***

Form a budget

Leadership Retreat funds

Fund raising

More Active Teacher Members

Emilie will come up with costs for website.

Liz will research taxes

Respectfully submitted,  
Jillian Chrisman