Milwaukee Chapter PTG Minutes Tuesday, November 7, 2023

Location: Schneider Residence, 2741A N. Weil St. Milwaukee, WI 53212.

Called to order: 7:48 PM

<u>RPTs Present:</u> Tim Dixon, Dave Hulbert, Cory Jacobson, Larry McDonald, Jon Moberg, Mike Spalding

Other Members Present: Brandon Condon, Kayla Huhn, Claire Kronshage, Dan Schneider, Kim Westergaard

Guests: Patrick Holness, Brad Kronshage

<u>Minutes</u>: Minutes of the June 2023 meeting were accepted, with amendments clarifying the Milwaukee tax increase, and a name spelling correction.

Treasurer's Report:

Beginning Balance October 1, 2023: \$15,351.21

Activity since the last meeting: \$200.00 to Kayla Huhn for the Kingsbury Scholarship to the National PTG Convention.

Ending Balance October 31, 2023: \$15,151.21

Officer/Committee Reports:

Treasurer Claire Kronshage will look into new banks after the new year.

Artistic Piano will host next month's meeting. Please continue to send technical ideas to VP Cory Jacobson

Education:

Hartland Piano hosted an exam prep class Thursday October 26. There were 5 attendees at the event, plus 1 private meeting later. The class reviewed materials for the RPT written exam from 5:00-8:45 PM, and still had more material left at the end.

Dave Hulbert is a proctor for taking the written RPT exam. Although exams can be taken at chapter meetings, multiple people at a time, and on your own technology device (if it qualifies), it is best done in a quiet place with no distractions, one at a time, and using Dave's qualified device. Set up your written exam weeks in advance, then come to Dave's shop, and he will set you up in a rehearsal room to take your test.

Old/Unfinished Business:

Claire Kronshage motioned and Cory Jacobson seconded moving the January meeting to January 9, 2024 (the second Tuesday). Motion passed.

New Business:

Industry News:

Paul Ray is working at Charles Walter doing Steinway rebuilding. Steinway bought Renner and now Renner parts will no longer be available for Steinway pianos. Steinway is also no longer giving factory tours.

Vienna Feurich was bought by C. Beckstein.

Dave Hulbert's daughter Anne was approved to dual enroll between her high school and piano technology. She is now able to do half days at school and half days with Dad, going through their approved curriculum.

There was a suggestion to accumulate a list of area technicians, so we can better reach out to them about joining our PTG chapter.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:49 PM (Larry McDonald motioned, Mike Spalding seconded.)

<u>Technical</u>: Dan Schneider gave a technical on servicing Fender Rhodes instruments, including their history, tuning, operation, and repairs, with several instruments in various stages of repair for us to observe and practice on. Thank you, Dan!

Respectfully Submitted, Kayla Huhn Milwaukee PTG Chapter Secretary