



9 April 2016

10:30 AM

Hugh Hodgson School of Music

University of Georgia, Athens, GA

President Robin Engleman called the meeting to order at 10:40.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes from 22 August 2015 were approved as emailed.

The next order of business is to add the following amendments to the agenda:

1. To add the proposal for the Executive Board to approve the 2016-2018 slate of officers as proposed by the GMTA Nominating Committee comprised of Rebekah Healan, Jonathan Klein, Betty White. A motion was made by Susan Andrews to add this to the agenda and seconded by Dawn McCord. The motion passed.
2. To approve the petition of the new/reorganized/relocated South Georgia Music Teachers Association located in Tifton, Georgia. Jack Bamford made the motion to add this to the agenda and Colette Keogh seconded this motion. The motion passed.

### **REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

**President:** Robin Engleman

Many good things are happening in GMTA Land!

I had the opportunity to help the 2015-2016 MTNA-Georgia Competition team last fall under the expert supervision of Carol Payne, Vice President of Competitions. We had 94 entrants: 91 solo entrants and 3 chamber ensembles. We also had 4 composition entrants. Of the 21 GMTA Competition Winners and Representatives that continued on to the Southern Division Competition, we garnered six winners, 3 alternates and 2 honorable mentions in Tampa which took place at the University of South Florida,

January 15-18. While in Tampa, I attended several meetings and dinners, served as indoor monitor for three events and was very proud of all of our participants. The winners from Southern Division represented us this past week at the MTNA Conference in San Antonio, Texas. Of the Division Winners from Georgia, 1 student, Yannie Tan, won the Junior Piano Performance Category. Congratulations to Yannie, her teacher, Alexander Kobrin, and her parents! While there, I again monitored for the Voice Competitions, attended the MTNA Foundation GALA, meetings and forums, as well as many fine performances and master classes. At the Annual Business Meeting, Letitia Colglazier and Sue Barnes, NCTM, were recognized as 50-year Members.

Our fall conference was well attended by about 170 members. Joy Poole, Vice President of Programs, did a fantastic job of scheduling and highlighting Georgia's Own. Soohyun Yun guided events for our collegiate members. As a result of the survey, everyone seemed pleased with the conference and gave us helpful information and suggestions needed to make improvements for future conferences. Planning is well underway for the 2016 conference to be held at Wesleyan College in Macon. Yes, that is a change from Mercer University. We have great headliners lined up: Boris Berman, Timothy Brown, as well as our newly installed Southern Division Director, Kevin Chance. I hope that you have already marked your calendars, Nov. 3-5, for this Conference.

As we gather for our Board meeting today, the first Saturday of the GMTA Auditions is already underway. Cathy Thacker, Vice President of Auditions, is to be commended for doing a superb job of patiently organizing the event along with her incredibly large staff of chairs, coordinators, and organizers.

I am equally indebted to Jason Bennett, Rebekah Healan, the GATE Committee, and all who supervised the GATE on the local level. I thank them for their commitment to making GATE successful this first year.

I am excited about the Online Registration that Mandy Reynolds has orchestrated with Handmade Designs. Thank you to Joy Poole and Cobb County MTA's participation in exploring the process for this year's Auditions. Thanks to their service, we will be able to implement Online Registration statewide for the 2016-2017 GMTA Auditions.

As you are aware, Auditions is a huge undertaking and I thank Cathy and her entire team for their excellent work. As with other GMTA initiatives, this is a continually evolving event and will be evaluated and fine tuned over the summer to ensure that we continue to foster an experience that is valued by teachers and participants alike.

I mentioned Mandy earlier with regard to the Online Registration, but I would like to say further that she truly is the hub that keeps GMTA rolling along. Mandy, my colleagues and I truly appreciate all you do for me, all of us and our organization!

This morning I've mentioned just a few of the many members who faithfully serve GMTA as officers, committee chairs on the local and state levels. I appreciate you all for your leadership in GMTA, in your local associations, with your students and in your communities.

**President-Elect:** Rebekah Healan

During the past year, I have been carefully considering and working to build a wonderful team of people to serve as the next GMATA Executive Board during my upcoming term as President. I have been seeking the wisdom of our current President, Robin Engleman, as well as a carefully appointed panel of advisors. I would like to thank Robin, Susan Andrews, Betty White and Jonathan Klein for all of their wisdom, advice and encouragement during this time. I am so thoroughly excited about the group of people that I will have the pleasure of working with over the next two years.

I am still working on filling the Committee Chair positions, I hope to finish filling these positions soon. Stay tuned, you may be getting a call from me!

Much of my time was spent continuing the work on the GMATA GATE. Our Committee was very pleased that everything went as well as it did this year, and hope that the new improvements that we made with the test and the process made it even smoother. I would like to thank the committee for their dedication and hard work over the past two years.

I am very excited for the year ahead and getting to know each of you more!

**Vice-President, Programs:** Joy Poole

**The 2016 GMATA State Conference** will be held at Wesleyan College in Macon, Georgia. The conference was moved from Mercer University to Wesleyan due to schedule conflicts with Mercer.

**Vice-President, Membership:** Jane Lester

I received this interesting demographic from MTNA regarding our current (as of 9/30/15) members. Membership development is an *ongoing* effort in successful organizations. *Throughout* the year we must strive to meet member needs and to welcome new and returning members to our programs and meetings.

It helps to understand exactly who our members are.

Please note: we have increased our membership by 67, since Sept. 2015.

Gender

Female	546
Male	115
Unknown	0

661

Highest Degree

Artist Diploma	0
Associate	14
Bachelor's	241
Doctor's	103
High School	42

Primary Teaching Group

Brass	2
Conducting	0
Keyboard	565
Miscellaneous	19
Percussion	1
String	27
Voice	32
Woodwind	15
Unknown	0

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Master's	241
Other	4
Performance Diploma	8
Unknown	8
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Teaching Status

Church Music	1
College/University	103
Commercial Studio	2
Independent	496
Music Merchant	0
Other	18
Parochial School	0
Private School	0
Public School	0
Retired	5
Student	34
Unknown	2
	661

Age

19 and younger	7
20 to 29	35
30 to 39	80
40 to 49	99
50 to 59	145
60 to 69	164
70 to 79	74
80 to 89	35
90 plus	3
Unknown	19
	661

Total membership as of 9/30/15  
661

Total membership as of 4/06/16  
728

**Vice-President, Publicity:** Natalie Hardy

No report.

**Vice-President, GMTA Auditions:** Cathy Thacker

2016 State Auditions are underway. The Regional Coordinators, Organizers, and State Chairs have worked very hard to ensure that the events go smoothly. This is the first year that pre-college piano contestants had to pass the GATE theory test in order to advance from Local to Regional Auditions.

We have a total of 550 students this year participating in the Regional and State Auditions. This is a decrease from last year's total number of 656. The area with the biggest drop in numbers is pre-college piano: 2015 Regional Auditions had 469 students, and 2016 Regional Auditions had 384 students, a decrease of 85 participants. Another area of a reduction in numbers is College Piano with 17 contestants this year compared to 28 in 2015. Here is the breakdown for 2016:

Region I – 106

Grade 12 - 33

Region II – 54	Piano Concerto - 13
Region III – 23	WW/Brass - 13
Region IV – 119	Strings/Guitar –55
Region V – 82	Voice – 14
Instrumental Concerto - 21	
College Piano - 17	

**Vice-President, MTNA Competitions:** Carol Payne

The stage is set for the competitions to be held the weekend of Oct. 27 – 30. We will be hosted by Mercer University this year. We have been assured there are enough performance rooms to accommodate the competition. The only problem I can anticipate is parking availability, which is true for most campuses.

It states in the GMTA Procedural Manual that the VP/Auditions and the VP/MTNA Competitions should “review the judges fees/compensation report annually” and “recommendations should be presented to the FAC.” Since GMTA seems to prefer out-of-state judges, it’s a lot to ask of these expert judges, almost all of whom are busy university professors, to come all this way and then not to provide them with a hotel allowance. I would like to request that if the schedule requires judges to spend the night, a hotel allowance for the cost of the hotel up to the amount of \$100 will be provided. The judge will need to submit a receipt to GMTA. I have corresponded with Susan Andrews and Mandy Reynolds about this idea.

We had several honors received by our students at the Southern Division:

Yannie Tan, student of Alexander Kobrin, won for Junior Piano, and went on to win the National Competition in San Antonio.

Goeun Sim, violin, student of Sergiu Schwartz, won for Senior Strings (SD).

Zhirui Zhou, student of Alexander Kobrin, won for Young Artist Piano (SD).

Zhihao Wu, cello, student of Hans Jensen, won for Young Artist Strings (SD)

“Nach” of UGA won for Chamber Music Winds. Coached by Connie Frigo, members are Rick Firestone, soprano sax; Caroline Halleck, alto sax; Hassan High, tenor sax; Charlie Young, baritone sax (SD).

Traian Sturza, student of Ronald Wirt, won for Senior Woodwinds (SD).

**Executive Director:** Mandy Reynolds

(March 31, 2016 Financial Summary) The 2015-2016 GMTA Financial Summary lists the income and expenses for this fiscal year as of March 31, 2016. The second column lists the actual amounts at the end of March 2016. Our total income so far is \$76,930.36. Our total expenses so far this year are \$53,803.77. The third column lists the budgeted amounts for 2015-2016, and the last column compares our revenues and expenses as of March 2016 to March 2015. On the second page, there are the explanations for the miscellaneous income and expenses. At the bottom of the page, the

balances are listed for our checking account, savings account, savings CD, and three award fund CDs.

(2016-2017 Budget) The Proposed 2016-2017 Budget lists the income and expenses anticipated for the 2016-2017 fiscal year. Line items have been added for "Local Audition Fees Collected" and "Local Audition Fees Reimbursed." The amounts will cancel each other out as we will reimburse all fees collected through the GMTA website for local auditions in 2017. Please take a minute to look over the proposed budget and let me know if you have any questions.

Copies of the Financial Summary and 2016-2017 Budget are attached to these minutes.

## **REPORTS OF COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

### **Arts Awareness and Advocacy:** Debra Murphy

The Georgia's Own list has increased by eight members over the last few months. Three additional members have made inquiry and information is being gathered to finalize these new additions. Also, invitations to be included on the Georgia's Own list have been extended to thirteen GMTA members who presented proposals for last year's conference.

A new education law went into effect December 2015, and educators are celebrating the new law stating it advocates for arts education. "Music" is now included as a standalone subject, which provides increased opportunities for the access of music education. There will be more on this topic in the next GMTA newsletter.

### **Certification:** Ashley Craig-Diaz

As of December 31, 2015, GMTA had a membership of 704, and of those, 103 are Nationally Certified. We rank 25<sup>th</sup> in the nation for certification with nearly 15% of our members holding National Certification.

This past week, I had the pleasure of attending the MTNA Certification Open Meeting at the MTNA 2016 National Conference. Clarification was given on the three video teaching sessions required to complete the Teacher Profile Projects. These videos are the portion of the project about which I receive the most questions. I was glad to receive this clarification and will happily pass on the information to anyone who has concerns about this portion of the project.

In her closing statements, Marianna Bryan, NCTM, reminded those in attendance that National Certification is not only for the individual, but also the over-all profession of music teaching. As the summer approaches and you begin to look into summer enrichment projects, I urge you to begin the process in pursuing your National Certification from MTNA.

You may learn more about MTNA National Certification at [www.mtnacertification.org](http://www.mtnacertification.org) or by contacting me at [acraigdiaz@gmail.com](mailto:acraigdiaz@gmail.com).

**College Faculty:** Paula Thomas-Lee

No report

**Collegiate Chapters:** Soohyun Yun

### **MTNA Collegiate Chapters Piano Pedagogy Symposium Participation**

A number of GMTA Collegiate members and faculty attended and presented the 5<sup>th</sup> MTNA Collegiate Chapters Piano Pedagogy Symposium (national conference) held at the University of South Carolina at Columbia from January 15-16, 2016. The event brought more than 120 students, faculty and music professionals from nationwide. Students and faculty from Kennesaw State University, University of Georgia and Shorter University participated. Following are presenters of GMTA at the symposium:

Uni Choi, Yoonsook Song, Benjamin Turk and Crystal Wu (University of Georgia :Pete Jutras and Martha Thomas, advisors) presented a session on “Your Student The Pop Star!”

Abstract: Keyboard Jam is an exciting opportunity for your students to be featured as the soloist with a live band. The presenters will share their experiences in preparing their students for Keyboard Jam, along with the logistics of putting together such an event.

Ai Nguyen (Kennesaw State University, Soohyun Yun, advisor) presented poster session on “Benefits And Methods Of The Scale Practice For Beginner Piano Students.”

Soyoun Sheehan (Kennesaw State University, Soohyun Yun, advisor) presented a poster session on “Motivating Young Beginners: Body-Engaged Rhythm Counting Activities.”

Dr. Soohyun Yun (Kennesaw State University) taught a master class at the Teaching Demonstrations.

### **GMTA Conference Collegiate Luncheon**

GMTA Collegiate Chapters had a lunch meeting at 2015 GMTA State Conference on November 6. There were 38 attendees including collegiate members and faculty from 5 institutions including Kennesaw State University, Reinhardt University, Shorter University, University of Georgia, and Young Harris College. GMTA President Robin Engleman attended and encouraged our young members. After all attendees introduced themselves individually, the representatives of each Collegiate Chapter spoke about past activities and exciting future plans.

### News From Collegiate Chapters Presented at the Lunch Meeting at GMTA Conference (Alphabetical order)

Kennesaw State University Collegiate Chapter, (KSU-MTNA, Soohyun Yun, Faculty Advisor) was preparing for the 4<sup>th</sup> Fall Festival which would give performance and musical game activity opportunity for pre-college piano students. In January 2016, there will be a fund-raising concert in Steinway Gallery to prepare for participation in MTNA Piano Pedagogy Symposium at the University of South Carolina.

Reinhardt Collegiate Chapter, “Naturally Sharp” (Susan Naylor, Faculty Advisor) is preparing for various fund raising activities including coupon selling event and a comedy recital. Performance in

nursing home in winter, table set up for the campus in the final exam week, and Valentine's Day for playing instrument for couples are just a few examples of various activities.

**Shorter University** (Jerico Vasquez and Lynn Worcester, Faculty Advisors) members are preparing fund-raising events to go to MTNA National Conference in San Antonio. One of their many activities will be a local library performance. Members are also preparing to participate in the MTNA Piano Pedagogy Symposium at the University of South Carolina in 2016.

**UGA Collegiate Chapter, "Tonic,"** (Peter Jutras and Martha Thomas, Faculty Advisors) has been active for 7-8 years. Among recent activities, members have successfully presented sessions at 2014 and 2015 GMTA State Conferences, the 4<sup>th</sup> MTNA Piano Pedagogy Symposium in Dallas and Keyboard Jam Students' Pop Star presentation. They are preparing to participate in the MTNA Piano Pedagogy Symposium at the University of South Carolina in 2016.

**Young Harris College** (Cynthia DeFoor, Faculty Advisor) members are actively involved in piano ensemble, weekly master class, and nursing home performances. They are currently preparing for 10 hands piano ensemble performance.

\*Photos of the meeting can be found at MTNA-Collegiate Facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/GMTACollegiateChapters>

## **FINANCE/ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Susan Andrews**

### **CONFERENCE**

Following Joy Poole's report on preparations for the 2016 GMTA Conference at Wesleyan College, several conference-related issues were discussed:

- All 50-year GMTA members will be recognized at the banquet, but only the two newest 50-year members will be invited to be GMTA's guests at the banquet.
- If an agreement cannot be reached with the Macon Symphony orchestra to perform with the GMTA Instrumental and Piano Concerto winners, the concerti will have piano accompaniments. The FAC proposed an action item regarding this.
- The FAC approved a conference cancellation policy, which will be proposed as an action item.

Several policies that have been long-standing GMTA procedure were clarified.

- GMTA members will not be required to pay one day conference registration if they are only attending recitals or the masterclass in which their students perform.
- Members who have not registered for the conference will not be charged to attend the headliner concert if the general public will not be charged admission.
- The Executive Director, with the approval of the GMTA President, may waive the fee for conference exhibit tables for music-related non-profit organizations, provided space is available.

### **AUDITIONS**

Rebecca gave a report on the GATE testing.



The overall state-wide decrease in audition participation was discussed.

Joy Poole reported on the implementation of Cobb County MTA's test of the online audition registration and several aspects of the system that will need to be refined. She outlined the training sessions for the new system that have been planned for the conference.

Several issues relating to the online system were unresolved. These include audition staffing; certificate printing; changing deadlines for 12<sup>th</sup> grade and concerto to coincide with the local audition deadline; including a link to GMTA theory tests on the same page as the online registration; reinstating 12<sup>th</sup> grade in local auditions. It was decided that Joy Poole, Mandy Reynolds, Rebekah Healan and Cathy Thacker should confer about these issues and bring proposals to the FAC in August, 2016.

No local teacher fees will be included on the online registration. This must be handled at the local level, as well as any local requirements such as meeting attendance.

Rebekah reported that the 2017 auditions will be at UGA on April 8 (college and instrumental) and April 22 (pre-college and piano concerto).

## **BUDGET**

The proposed budget of \$73,525 will be presented to the Executive Board for approval.

## **COMPETITION JUDGES' COMPENSATION**

There was lengthy discussion about MTNA Competition Judges' compensation and the disparity between those fees and the audition judges' fees. Consideration was given to providing out-of-state judges an allowance for mileage or lodging, and the fees of four Southern Division states were compared to GMTA's current fees. In 2015, the judges' fees were \$1,650 over the total amount budgeted for MTNA Competitions. Since changing the current compensation guidelines will cause the MTNA Competitions line item in the GMTA Budget to show a greater loss, no action was taken at this time, and it was decided to table this issue until the August FAC meeting.

## **GMTA GRANTS**

The following guidelines were approved:

Teachers may apply for a GMTA Grant which will benefit multiple students within their studio.

Teacher may not apply for a GMTA Grant to pay for workshops or conferences that occurred prior to applying for the grant.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

Mandy will work with the VP/Membership to design a welcome brochure for new members. It will include information on local associations, auditions and the conference.

The following topics were discussed, but no action was taken. They will be discussed further in August.

Website advertising

Establishing a Constant Contact communication with members

Mailing labels and email advertising

**ACTION ITEMS:**

**Honoraria for Concerto Accompanists:** The FAC proposes an increase in the amount of the honoraria for each concerto accompanist from \$75 to \$200.

**Conference Cancellation Policy:** Before the pre-registration deadline, the full registration fee, less a \$20 cancellation fee, will be refunded. After the deadline, a percentage of the registration fee, less the \$20 cancellation fee, may be refunded at the discretion of the Executive Director and the President. No meal refunds are given after the pre-registration deadline.

**Use of 2015-2016 Surplus:** At the time of the FAC budget meeting, the projected surplus for this fiscal year was just slightly under \$3,500.00. After revenue and expenses from Auditions are finalized, Mandy will update the FAC on the projected surplus for the fiscal year.

- a) The FAC proposes that Mandy be authorized to purchase a new MacBook pro computer for the GMTA office, a 3 year protection plan and accessories, provided there are sufficient surplus funds to cover these expenses.
- b) The FAC proposes a \$500 bonus for Mandy if surplus funds are available.

**GMTA AWARDS:** Heather Turner

The only donation we've had since our last conference is \$75 from GCMTA (\$25 for each of the three award funds). The total amount raised for the award funds so far for 2015-2016 is \$1,790.01.

**Independent Music Teachers Forum:** Annette Day  
No report

**MTNA FOUNDATION:** Colette Keogh

GMTA contributed \$1,530.00 to the MTNA Foundation in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter (Oct.-Dec.) of 2015, bringing Georgia's annual contribution to #3,682.50. Thank you to the following members:

Martha Aguirre	Patti Bennett	Diane Boyd	Aurelia Campbell
Grace Caudle	Ashley Craig-Diaz	Cynthia DeFoor	Jane Frackenpohl
Rwie Hao	Julie Harbin	Rebekah Healan	Kristi Helfen
Debra Hughes	Colette Keogh	Robyn Macey	Ruth Mantooth
Nora Martin	Dawn McCord	Mary Ann McTier	Susan Naylor
Jackie Reed	Melissa Slawsky	Edith Sweatman	Martha Thomas
Heather Turner	Wayne Gibson		

Donations to the MTNA Foundation can be made online throughout the year.

**GMTA JUDGES' LIST: Yumi Patterson**

GMTA Judges' List currently includes 43 piano judges and 1 voice judge.  
 Starting this year, the list on the website indicates the areas of judging.  
 Hope this new list will help any event coordinators to locate judges.

**TECHNOLOGY: Joe Lozier**

No report

**THEORY: Jason Bennett**

Test	Chapter	# Tchr	# Student	Lv I	Lv II	Lv III	Lv IV	Lv V	Total
Administrator		Participants	Participants						
Anne Sun	Atlanta	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nancy Allred	South Metro Atlanta	1	4	1	2	1	0	0	4
Jason Bennett	Athens	4	10	0	5	3	2	0	10
Hiroko Hogarth	Augusta	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
Susan Naylor	Cherokee	1	7	1	5	0	1	0	7
Huu Mai	Cobb County	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
Heather Turner	Columbus	7	45	14	24	5	1	1	45
Phyllis LaFon	Cowetta-Fayette	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fran Thrailkill	Decatur	7	29	8	7	6	5	3	29
Claudia Theise	Golden Isles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jackie Hutson	Greater Marietta	2	8	0	2	5	1	0	8
Debra Murphy	Gwinnett County	11	34	6	8	11	5	4	34
Nancy Claxton	Macon	1	9	1	2	5	1	0	9
David Peoples	Northeast Georgia	1	8	2	2	2	2	0	8
Gayle Vann	North Dekalb	3	39	6	6	9	18	0	39
Rwei Hao	North Fulton	2	19	3	5	8	3	0	19
XXX	Rome	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Diane Boyd	Savannah	5	24	7	4	8	4	1	24
Judy Hayes	Western Georgia	4	9	6	2	1	0	0	9
Heather Turner	None	6	10	10	0	0	0	0	10
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## NEW BUSINESS

- 1) The GMTA Nominating Committee which is comprised of Rekeah Healan, Jonathan Klein and Betty White, presents the following members for the slate of officers to be voted on at the 2016 GMTA Conference:

President – Rebekah Healan  
President-Elect – Joy Poole  
Vice President of Programs – Chenny Gan  
Vice President of Membership – Jerico Vasquez  
Vice President of Newsletters – Nancy Riley  
Vice President of GMTA Auditions – Cathy Thacker, NCTM  
Vice President of MTNA Competitions – Joanna Kim Doyle, NCTM  
Secretary – Jan Adams. NCTM  
Member-at-Large – Ping-Yun Hsu  
Member-at-Large –  
Immediate Past President – Robin Engleman

A motion to accept this slate of officers was made by Colette Keogh and seconded by Susan Andrews. The motion passed.

- 2) It was presented that In accordance with Article XIII of the GMTA Bylaws, South Georgia Music Teachers Association based in Tifton, Georgia, petitions the GMTA Executive Board for affiliation with the Georgia Music Teachers Association.  
A motion was made by Carol Payne to accept this and seconded by Dawn McCord. The motion passed.
- 3) President Engleman presented that an on-line vote approved changing the site of the 2016 GMTA Conference from Mercer University to Wesleyan College in Macon.
- 4) The 2016-2017 budget, passed by the FAC, was approved by the Executive Committee.

### **Action Items: Finance and Advisory Committee, Susan Andrews, Chair**

The FAC proposes the following:

- 1) An increase in amount of the honoraria for each concerto accompanist at the GMTA Conference from \$75 to \$200. Discussion clarified that there would be a concerto accompanist in case an orchestra was not available. This proposal passed.

- 2) **Conference Cancellation Policy:** Before the pre-registration deadline, the full registration fee, less a \$20 cancellation fee, will be refunded. After the deadline, a percentage of the registration fee, less the \$20 cancellation fee, may be refunded at the discretion of the Executive Director and the President. No meal refunds are given after the pre-registration deadline. This proposal passed.

- 3) **Use of 2015-2016 Surplus:** At the time of the FAC budget meeting, the projected surplus for this fiscal year was just slightly under \$3,500.00. After revenue and expenses from Auditions are finalized, Mandy will update the FAC on the projected surplus for the fiscal year.

- a) The FAC proposes that Mandy be authorized to purchase a new MacBook pro computer for the GMTA office, a 3 year protection plan and accessories, provided there are sufficient surplus funds to cover these expenses. This proposal passed.

- b) The FAC proposes a \$500 bonus for Mandy if surplus funds are available. This proposal passed.

## OLD BUSINESS

1) Dawn McCord, GMTA Immediate Past President, has reviewed the Bylaws for the following local associations and are presented to the GMTA Executive Board for approval: Greater Marietta MTA and South Georgia MTA. A motion was made by Jack Bamford and seconded by Cheryl Wilkinson to accept these Bylaws. The motion passed.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1) If you have not recorded your **Attendance** on the Board Meeting Sign in Sheet, please do so now. This is a separate sign-in sheet from The Council of Local Association Presidents sign-in sheet.
- 2) Deadline for articles for the GMTA Summer Newsletter to be submitted to Natalie Hardy is May 1st.
- 3) Deadline for articles to be included in the GMTA Fall Newsletter is August 1, 2016.
- 4) **Steinway Piano Galleries Educator Grants:** Applications for these grants will be sent out by Steinway Galleries one month prior to the September 12, 2016 deadline.
- 5) **GMTA Teacher of the Year Award 2016:** Postmark deadline is September 12, 2016. For more information, visit the GMTA web site (<http://www.georgiamta.org/memberResources-teacherOfTheYearApp.php>).
- 6) **Local Association of the Year Award:** Information may be found on MTNA web site at <http://www.mtna.org/programs/awards/award-applications/local-association-of-the-year-award/>
- 7) **MTNA Competitions:** The 2016-2017 application deadline is 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time on September 14, 2016. Current active membership dues for MTNA or a nonmember teacher fee must be paid prior to accessing the student competition application. MTNA Competition will be held October 27-30, 2016, Mercer University, Macon. See <http://www.mtna.org/programs/competitions/> for further information.
- 8) **2016 GMTA Conference:** November 3-5, 2016, Wesleyan College, Macon. For more information, visit the GMTA website (<http://www.georgiamta.org/conference.php>).
- 9) **The 2017 MTNA National Conference** will be held March 18-22, 2017 in Baltimore, Maryland.
- 10) **The next GMTA Council of Local Association Presidents Meeting and GMTA Executive Board Meeting** will be held at Clayton State University, Morrow, Georgia on **Saturday, August 20, 2016.**
- 11) **There is a new collegiate chapter** at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College. This is the 7<sup>th</sup> GMTA collegiate chapter.
- 12) **President Engleman read a letter from Aurelia Campbell** thanking GMTA for awarding her Lifetime GMTA Membership. This letter is attached to these minutes.

## CALENDAR

2016

**April 16:** GMTA State Auditions for Pre-College Piano and Piano Concerto, University of Georgia, Athens

**May 1:** Graded GMTA Theory Achievement Tests (not GATE) & certificates mailed to participating teachers

**May 1:** Deadline for articles to be included in the GMTA Summer Newsletter. Articles should be submitted to Natalie Hardy at [nsmhardy88@gmail.com](mailto:nsmhardy88@gmail.com).

**June 30:** Active Membership Renewal Deadline. Active membership year runs from July 1-June 30

**August 1:** Deadline for articles to be included in the GMTA Fall Newsletter. Articles should be submitted to Natalie Hardy at [nsmhardy88@gmail.com](mailto:nsmhardy88@gmail.com).

**August 16:** Officer and Committee Chair Reports due to Secretary at [jackiereed@bellsouth.net](mailto:jackiereed@bellsouth.net) for upcoming Board meeting

**August 20:** GMTA Council of Local Association Presidents Meeting and GMTA Executive Board Meeting, Clayton State University, Morrow, Georgia

**September 12:** Application deadline for GMTA Teacher of the Year, Steinway Teacher Awards, GMTA Teacher Grants (Deadline always on second Monday of September)

**September 14:** Online application deadline (3:00 p.m. Eastern Time) for MTNA Competitions

**September 30:** Student Membership Renewal Deadline. Student membership year runs from October 1 thru September 30

**October 1:** GMTA Theory Achievement Tests (not GATE) mailed to Local Associations

**October 10:** Pre-registration Deadline for GMTA Conference

**October 27-30:** MTNA Competitions, Mercer University, Macon, Georgia

**November 3-5:** GMTA State Conference, Wesleyan College, Macon, Georgia

**December 1:** Deadline for articles to be included in the GMTA Winter Newsletter. Articles should be submitted to Natalie Hardy at [nsmhardy88@gmail.com](mailto:nsmhardy88@gmail.com).

## 2017

**January 13-16:** Southern Division Meetings and Competitions, University of South Carolina, Columbia, South Carolina

**February 27:** Postmark Deadline for GMTA Regional Auditions Applications

**February 27:** Postmark Deadline to report GATE test scores

**February 27:** Deadline for Regional Coordinators to submit Judge information to VP of Auditions

**March 11:** FAC Meeting

**March 15:** Postmark Deadline for completed GMTA Theory Tests to be mailed to Diane Boyd

**March 18-22:** MTNA Conference, Baltimore, Maryland

**\*\*March 18:** GMTA Regional Auditions

**March 20:** Postmark Deadline for GMTA Auditions Applications

**April 8:** GMTA Council of Local Association Presidents Meeting and GMTA Executive Board Meeting, University of Georgia, Athens

**April 8:** GMTA State Auditions for College Piano, Instrumental, Voice and Instrumental Concerto, University of Georgia, Athens

**April 22:** GMTA State Auditions for Pre-College Piano and Piano Concerto, University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia

**May 1:** Graded GMTA Theory Achievement Tests (not GATE) & certificates mailed to participating teachers

**June 30:** Individual Membership Renewal Deadline. Individual membership year runs from July 1 thru June 30

**August TBD:** Officer reports due to Secretary for upcoming Board meeting

**August TBD:** GMTA Council of Local Association Presidents Meeting and GMTA Executive Board Meeting, Clayton State University, Morrow, Georgia

**September 11:** Application deadline for GMTA Teacher of the Year, Steinway Teacher Awards, GMTA Teacher Grants (Deadline always on second Monday of September)

**September 13:** Online application deadline (3:00 p.m. Eastern Time) for MTNA Competitions

**September 30:** Student Membership Renewal Deadline. Student membership year runs from October 1 thru September 30

**October 1:** GMTA Theory Achievement Tests (not GATE) mailed to Local Associations

**October 9:** Pre-registration Deadline for GMTA Conference

**November:** MTNA Competitions and GMTA State Conference, Location TBA

## **2018**

**January:** Southern Division Meetings and Competitions, Virginia

**March 17-21:** MTNA Conference, Orlando, Florida

## **2019**

**January:** Southern Division Meetings and Competitions, Alabama  
MTNA Conference, Seattle, Washington

## **2020**

**January:** Southern Division Meetings and Competitions, Georgia  
MTNA Conference, Chicago, Illinois

\*\*Dates approved by FAC, but not yet confirmed with Regional host facilities

The meeting was adjourned at 12:05.

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Reed, NCTM

# GMTA FINANCIAL SUMMARY -- July 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016

Revenues:	Actual Amt 3/31/16	Budgeted Amount	+/-	Actual Amt Mar-15
GMTA Dues (728 members)	\$27,236.00	\$27,000.00	\$236.00	\$28,134.00
Newsletter Advertising	\$5,765.78	\$5,000.00	\$765.78	\$5,138.00
GMTA Auditions	\$ 19,137.04	\$ 24,800.00	-\$5,662.96	\$16,965.00
... GMTA Audition Fees	\$11,919.85	\$19,000.00		
... GATE Tests	\$ 5,117.19	\$ 3,800.00		
... GMTA Theory Tests	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 2,000.00		
Local Audition Fees Collected	\$1,500.80	\$0.00		
MTNA Competitions	\$5,075.00	\$5,000.00	\$75.00	\$5,225.00
Donation to go to Student Awards	\$1,790.01	\$0.00	\$1,790.01	\$885.00
\$ Transferred from Award Funds	\$0.00	\$50.00	-\$50.00	\$0.00
Conference:	\$ 15,330.73	\$ 12,900.00	\$2,430.73	\$14,051.82
.. Registrations/Meal Functions	\$11,808.41	\$10,000.00		\$11,058.82
.. Exhibit Tables	\$ 819.15	\$300.00		\$450.00
.. Corporate Sponsors	\$ 300.00	\$300.00		\$0.00
.. Program Ads	\$ 2,403.17	\$2,300.00		\$2,543.00
Commissioned Work	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$0.00	\$750.00
Miscellaneous (*See detail on page 2)	\$345.00	\$500.00	-\$155.00	\$687.00
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$76,930.36</b>	<b>\$76,000.00</b>	<b>\$930.36</b>	<b>\$71,835.82</b>

Expenses:	Actual Amt 3/31/16	Budgeted Amount	+/-	Actual Amt Mar-15
GMTA Regional Auditions:	\$ 4,739.49	\$5,800.00	\$1,060.51	
.. Judges Fees	\$ 4,370.00	\$4,500.00		
.. Audition Expenses	\$ 307.94	\$500.00		
.. Hospitality	\$ 61.55	\$800.00		
GMTA State Auditions:	\$ 188.54	\$6,400.00	\$6,211.46	\$636.35
.. Judges Fees	\$ -	\$5,000.00		
.. Audition Expenses	\$ 188.54	\$700.00		\$636.35
.. Hospitality	\$ -	\$700.00		
Local Audition Fees Reimbursed	\$1,500.80	\$0.00		
GATE Expenses	\$92.87	\$0.00		
GMTA Theory Test Expenses	\$31.24	\$0.00		
MTNA Competitions:	\$ 7,205.37	\$7,900.00	\$694.63	\$7,591.80
.. Judges Fees	\$ 6,725.00	\$7,300.00		\$7,225.00
.. Competition Expenses	\$ 173.74	\$200.00		\$0.00
.. Judges' hospitality	\$ 306.63	\$400.00		\$366.80
Awards paid to GMTA students	\$400.00	\$700.00	\$300.00	\$500.00
Awards paid to Teacher Grants	\$1,650.00	\$2,000.00	\$350.00	\$1,032.00
Awards paid to Student Travel Grants (So Div & MTNA)	\$0.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$0.00
Donation to So Div Travel Fund	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$0.00	\$700.00
Accounting	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00	\$0.00	\$1,550.00
Conference:	\$ 14,508.08	\$14,300.00	-\$208.08	\$11,971.19
.. Presenter/Artist Fees-Honorariums	\$ 5,800.00	\$5,800.00		\$4,500.00
.. Meal Functions	\$ 4,043.40	\$2,000.00		\$2,588.35
.. Hospitality	\$ 204.48	\$400.00		\$292.85
.. 50 Year Members Banquet Tickets/Receipts	\$ 192.60	\$800.00		\$566.45
.. Conference Programs	\$ 2,021.04	\$2,300.00		\$2,183.85
.. Registrar/Hotel Room	\$ 800.00	\$800.00		\$800.00
.. Concerts	\$ 1,200.00	\$1,200.00		\$800.00
.. Miscellaneous/Supplies	\$ 246.56	\$1,000.00		\$239.69
Commissioned Work	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
Paid Administrator's Salary	\$14,617.52	\$20,000.00	\$5,382.48	\$13,014.87
Employment Taxes	\$796.76	\$1,630.00	\$833.24	\$986.34
Office (incl.phone/postage)	\$1,428.16	\$3,470.00	\$2,041.84	\$1,540.52
Travel (President)	\$0.00	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00	\$0.00
Travel (VP, Auditions)	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00
Travel (VP, MTNA Competitions)	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
Transfer donations to award funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Equipment Purchase	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
GMTA Website Expenses	\$1,964.48	\$2,000.00	\$35.52	\$743.73
Miscellaneous/Contingency	\$580.46	\$1,000.00	\$419.54	\$933.50
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$53,803.77</b>	<b>\$76,000.00</b>	<b>\$22,196.23</b>	<b>\$43,000.30</b>

**Net Surplus**

**\$23,126.59**

\$28,835.52



**\*Explanation of Miscellaneous Income:**

11/09/15-\$180 MTNA Foundation (donations at 2015 Conference) -- will write check & forward this \$ to MTNA  
11/09/15- \$100 re-deposited (cash change used for 2015 conference)  
3/25/16 - \$60 Secretary of State - overcharged corporation fee in 2015  
3/25/16 - \$5 senior certificates postage fee

**\*Explanation of Miscellaneous/Contingency Expenses:**

08/03/16 - \$65.71 - FAC lunch  
11/4/15- \$100 cash withdrawn to use for change at 2015 conference  
11/4/15 - \$180 deposited MTNA Foundation (donations at 2015 conference)  
1/20/16 - \$175 for MTNA So Div Reception  
3/11/16- \$24.31 FAC lunch - Publix  
3/15/16 - \$35.44 FAC lunch - Susan Andrews

**2015-16 GMTA Membership Dues:**

.. Individual dues are \$44; Senior dues are \$22; Student dues are \$10.

**2015 GMTA State Conference:**

.. Pre-registration fee was \$80. An additional \$10 charged for late registrations.

**GMTA Checking Account**

Balance

Balance 3/31/16	29351.48
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**GMTA Savings - Bank Account**

Balance

Balance 3/31/16	34270.15
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**GMTA Savings - CD**

Balance

Balance 3/31/16	25316.93
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**GMTA Student Award Funds:**

**GMTA Award Fund**

Balance

Balance 3/31/16	12842.85
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**Composition Award Fund**

Balance

Balance 3/31/16	7787.34
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**Broadhurst Junior Piano Award Fund**

Balance

Balance 3/31/16	12505.65
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# GMTA Proposed Budget - July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017

## Revenues:

GMTA Dues
Newsletter Advertising
GMTA Auditions
... GMTA Audition Fees
... GATE Tests
...GMTA Theory Tests
Local Audition Fees Collected
MTNA Competitions
Donations towards Student Awards
\$ Transferred from Award Funds
Conference
.. Registration/Meal Functions
.. Exhibit Tables
.. Program Ads
Commissioned Work
Miscellaneous
<b>Total Revenues</b>

## Proposed Amount

\$27,000.00
\$5,200.00
\$ 22,425.00
\$ 16,175.00
\$ 4,750.00
\$ 1,500.00
\$0.00
\$5,000.00
\$0.00
\$25.00
\$12,625.00
\$10,000.00
\$375.00
\$2,250.00
\$750.00
\$500.00
<b>\$73,525.00</b>

## Expenses:

Local Audition Fees Reimbursed
GATE Expenses
GMTA Theory Test Expenses
GMTA Regional Auditions:
.. Judges Fees
.. Audition Expenses
.. Hospitality
GMTA State Auditions:
.. Judges Fees
.. Audition Expenses
.. Hospitality
MTNA Competitions
.. Judges' Fees
.. Competition Expenses
.. Judges' hospitality
Awards paid to GMTA Students
Awards paid to Teacher Grants
Awards paid to Student Travel Grant (So Div & MTNA travel)
Donation to Southern Division Travel Fund
Accounting
Conference
.. Presenter/Artist Fees - Honorariums
.. Meal Functions
.. Conference Programs
.. Registrar/Hotel Room
.. Concerti
.. Hospitality
.. Miscellaneous./Supplies
Commissioned Work
Executive Director's Salary
Employment Taxes
Office Expenses
Travel (President)
Travel (V.P. Auditions)
Travel (V.P. MTNA Competitions)
Equipment Purchase
GMTA Website Expenses
Miscellaneous/Contingency
Transfer Donations to Award Funds
<b>Total Expenses</b>

\$0.00
\$475.00
\$150.00
\$5,500.00
\$4,500.00
\$400.00
\$600.00
\$6,100.00
\$5,000.00
\$600.00
\$500.00
\$7,700.00
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<b>\$73,525.00</b>