



ARMTA PROVINCIAL BOARD MEETING
Saturday, March 11th, 2023 9:30 pm – 4:30 pm via Zoom

MINUTES

The Alberta Registered Music Teachers' Association unites professional music teachers in their aim to:

- promote the love of music
- promote the knowledge of music by providing superior music instruction
- advocate for the availability of quality music instruction
- provide cultural events and continuing education events
- provide performance opportunities and scholarships for the students

1. Call to Order at 9:32

Welcome and Introductions

PRESENT: Rosemarie Horne (President, Edmonton), Nathene Arthur (Past-President, Calgary), Marlaine Osgood (Edmonton Substitute), Carolyn Steeves (Calgary), Barbara Robertson (Calgary), Lorrie Wittke (Lethbridge), Ida Edwards (Member at Large), Joyce Emms (Red Deer), Tamara Bowie (Administrator), Beth Peters (Grande Prairie, joined at 10:30am) **REGRETS:** Sheryl Schnare (Medicine Hat)

2. Agenda for March 11th, 2023

Motion: to move Milestone Awards to 4 a) and Policy and Procedure to become 4 c)

Moved: Marlaine, Nathene

Motion: to add one more person to LOA Request 4 d)

Moved: Lorrie, Carolyn

Motion: to add CFMTA Resolutions to agenda as 4 f)

Moved: Marlaine, Carolyn,

Motion: To accept agenda as amended.

Moved: Nathene, Barb. **ALL IN FAVOUR CARRIED**

23-B03-M02

3. Minutes and business completed by email

- a) Minutes of the Sept. 17th, 2022 Board Meeting

Motion: to accept the minutes

Moved: Nathene, Carolyn **ALL IN FAVOUR** **CARRIED** **23-B03-M03**

- b) Business completed by email

Dec. 13, 2022

Motion: to wave the eligibility requirement of being a resident of Alberta for the past six months, and a permanent resident or citizen of Canada for the young musician that has recently arrived in Canada from the Ukraine, and award her a \$500 bursary for violin studies. This is for this applicant only.

Moved: Lorrie Wittke, Barb Robertson **8 in Favour 1 Abstained** **CARRIED** **23-B03-M01**
declared carried by Rosemarie Horne: December 14th, 2022

4. Business

- a) Milestone Awards

Motion: A gift award to be given for 55, 60, 65, 70. Certificates given every year after 60.

Moved: Nathene, Joyce **ALL IN FAVOUR** **CARRIED** **23-B03-M04**

- b) ARMTA Service Award 2023

Carolyn Garritano was nominated.

Moved: Marlaine, Ida **ALL IN FAVOUR** **CARRIED** **23-B03-M05**

- c) Policy & Procedure amendment

Motion: to amend the Policy & Procedure manual as presented including the change for Board members to have accommodation for travel of more than 295km.

Moved: Nathene, Marlaine **ALL IN FAVOUR** **CARRIED** **23-B03-M06**

- d) Leave of absence requests

Motion: to approve a leave of absence for Alison Kilgannon and Regina Thomas.

Moved: Barb, Lorrie **ALL IN FAVOUR** **CARRIED** **23-B03-M07**

- e) CFMTA Conference 2023 Edmonton

<https://cfmta2023.ca/>

- f) CFMTA Resolutions

ACTION: Barb Robertson will write up a resolution and send to Nathene. The board will then vote on it by email. Nathene will submit to CFMTA before deadline of March 31st, 2023.

5. Financial Business

- a) Proposed: increase the Needs Based Bursaries to \$12,000 (Recognition Fund Budget)

Motion: to increase the Needs Based Bursaries from \$10,000 to \$12,000

Moved: Lorrie, Marlaine **ALL IN FAVOUR** **CARRIED** **23-B03-M08**

Action: Bursary Committee is working on wording on the website and will send the correct wording to Administrator to include in ARMTA Newsletter. Branch Reps will

take this information to their branches. May be promoted at AGM's and other meetings.

b) Proposed: Create Refugee Bursary

Motion: To create a Newcomer Bursary (Recognition Fund Budget)

Moved: Lorrie, Nathene **ALL IN FAVOUR CARRIED 23-B03-M09**

The Bursary Committee preferred to have this as a separate Bursary fund because of the added step of a letter indicating arrival date to Alberta from a Newcomer Settlement Services Professional.

ACTION: RCM may be interested in donating music to students in need. Lorrie will contact Janet Lapinski at RCM to inquire. Bursary Committee will work on the wording and then send to Carolyn Garritano to add to the website.

c) CFMTA Voice Competition 2023 (Recognition Fund Budget)

Motion: to increase prize money for CFMTA Voice Competition from \$750 to \$3000.

Moved: Nathene, Joyce.

Amended Motion: to give up to \$4000 to the CFMTA Voice Competition 2023 for prizes (for this budget year only).

Motion: Nathene, Joyce. **6 in favour; 1 abstained CARRIED 23-B03-M10**

d) Recognition Fund Budget for 2023-2024

Motion: to adopt the Recognition fund budget.

Moved: Lorrie, Marlaine. **ALL IN FAVOUR CARRIED 23-B03-M11**

e) Betty Phelan Scholarship

Tabled to vote on through email when plans are finalized.

Possible Award Ceremony discussed.

f) Nomination Hugheen Fergusson Award

Motion: to nominate Doreen Laing and Elizabeth Szojka.

Moved: Marlaine and Nathene.

Motion: Don't spend money on the Hugheen Fergusson Award.

Moved: Barb, Nathene. **6 in Favour, 1 Opposed CARRIED 23-B03-M12**

Each Branch has the opportunity to recommend a member for the Provincial Board to vote on and then ARMTA will recommend one name before May 1st but will not send money as a donation this year.

Tamara Bowie, Administrator was asked to leave the meeting at 11:00 am

g) Administrator wage

Motion: To increase from \$955.50/month to \$1200/month

Moved: Beth, Ida **7 in favour, 1 abstained CARRIED 23-B03-M12**

h) Request for \$500 from Competitions Convenors for ARMTA Administrator to assist with Provincial Voice and Piano Competition.

Motion: up to \$500 for ARMTA administrator to assist with Provincial Voice and Piano Competition.

Moved: Nathene, Barb **ALL IN FAVOUR CARRIED 23-B03-M13**

In the future: ask for help from local branch members and President or Past President there at competition. Are there other events that require administrative assistance?

Tamara Bowie returned to the meeting at 11:30 am

i) Board meetings on zoom or in-person for 2023-2024 year?

Motion: to have both board meetings on zoom and AGM in person with online accessibility.

Moved: Barb, Carolyn. **ALL IN FAVOUR CARRIED 23-B03-M14**

j) Lunch at AGM free for all ARMTA members who attend.

Motion: free lunch for all to attend.

Moved: Nathene, Joyce.

Amended Motion: All pre-registered ARMTA members to attend AGM lunch for no cost.

Moved: Ida, Joyce. **ALL IN FAVOUR CARRIED 23-B03-M15**

LUNCH BREAK 11:45-12:15

k) Budget requests from Convenors -for information (pages 37/38 of reports)

l) Budget for 2023-2024

Motion: to approve Budget as amended.

Moved: Nathene, Carolyn. **6 in Favour, 1 opposed, 1 abstained**

CARRIED 23-B03-M16

6. **Next Board Meeting Fall 2023: October 14th 9:30 am on zoom**

AGM Date: October 19-21, 2023 (will be co-ordinated with MCA Schedule)

7. **Meeting Adjourned at 1:34 pm**