

**NTSA General Meeting**  
**April 15, 2018**

**Members present:** Christine Collins-Davis, Kate Jones, Chris Mattaliano, Katie Adams, Jeanette Runyon, Susan Pugh, Vincent Pugh, Jenny Lee Vaughn, Bob Hauck, Rita Hauck, Kaylie Pugh, Mary Margaret Haraden, Daina Volodka-Staggs, Ashlie Skidmore, Friedericke Lehrbass

**Welcome:**

- Daina welcomes everyone to the meeting
- We are encouraged to bring a friend next time!

**Introductions:**

- We went around the room and introduced ourselves, sharing where we teach and what we teach

**Secretary Report:**

- Jeanette moves to accept minutes as written; Daina seconds; all approve

**Treasurer report:**

- Ashlie gives report (See attached)
- Daina moves to approve; all approved

**Teacher Development:**

- record breaking year of enrollment for teachers to come see Ronda Cole
- For next year, Charles will continue as TD chair for next 2 years
- Are there any requests from the membership? (no additional ideas were put forth during the meeting)
- Charles idea is a neuroscientist, Stephanie Faye Frank, who talks about growth mindset stuff - Mary Margaret shares a little about the topic - Frank teaches communication etc... Ties In with Suzuki - the willingness to try - could be opened up to non-Suzuki teachers as well; she is not cheap - what will the break even be? She has not been contacted yet - no other ideas presented, everyone liked this one
- Thinking about instrument specific for future - maybe consider cello - several teachers seemed interested in this
- If violin, maybe Kerstin Wartberg technique stuff presented by Charles
- Ideas for cello - Rick Mooney, Tanya Carey, Carey Cheney

**Trophy Festival:**

- Feb 23 & 24 2019
- Confirmed for SMID, Jeanette will secure Colleyville location
- What do we need? Support in Dallas to run the day of - Daina would like 2 people to help as she hosts in Dallas; Jeanette and Ashlie welcome help as well

### **Scholarship:**

- Ashlie gives report in place of Amber
- \$7300 awarded; 1 teacher, the rest to students
- Rita gives a shout out of thankfulness
- Amber will continue as chair, Mary Margaret will continue on committee, will have to ask Tom if he is still interested in doing it

### **Board Elections:**

- Ashlie nominates Daina to continue as President - voted yes
- VP - Chris Mattaliano, Secretary Jenny Lee Vaughan - accepted and all approved
- Jeanette willing to come as past president; Katie serving as a member-at-large

### **DFW WOW:**

- check the website for details

### **International Conference in Cancun next year:**

- May 1-5 2019
- Daina wants to make sure it's on everyone's radar

### **Greenville Workshop:**

- Feb 1 & 2 2019

### **Celebration:**

- Rita shares that it's important to recognize Dr. Suzuki's birthday
- Part of the worldwide recognition
- Board is happy to support it if someone wants to coordinate it and put it on
- At very least, board will send email to encourage teachers to share in it within own studios
- Bob and Rita are willing to share the piece "thank you dr Suzuki" for anyone that would like it - even for personal studio use
- Mary Margaret suggests a link on the NTSA website for Stevens Point Suzuki teaching videos

### **Fall Meeting:**

- Date for Fall meeting
- Sunday after Labor Day
- September 9 @ 3pm at Daina's house
- 11006 Tree Shadow Ln, Frisco 75035

### **Meeting Adjourned**