

ORMTA Etobicoke – Mississauga Branch  
**Executive Meeting Minutes**  
 April 8, 2024 at 10:00am  
 Virtual Zoom Meeting

**Welcome:** Thuy welcomed those present

**Attendance:** Lisa, Sofia, Thuy, and Rocco.

**Minutes:** The minutes from the previous meeting in February were read. Lisa moved to have the minutes accepted, seconded by Rocco.

**Treasurer's Report:**

<b>Treasurer Report – Activities from Feb 13 to April 8/24</b>				
<b>Payee/Recipient</b>	<b>Operating Account</b>	<b>Cheq #</b>	<b>Debit</b>	<b>Credit</b>
Lita Zagala, etr Feb 20/24	Piano Masterclass registration & teacher audit fee	Etr		\$80.00
Lynne Oliver, etr Mar 1/24	Piano Masterclass registration & teacher audit fee	Etr		\$80.00
Rosemary Poole, etr Mar 4/24	Donation from March Assessments desk	Etr		\$20.00
Sapna Ramessar, etr Mar 4/24	Donation from March Assessments desk	Etr		\$50.00
Noyan Hilmi, etr Mar 4/24	Donation from March Assessments desk	Etr		\$10.00
Amelia Yates, etr Mar 5/24	Piano assessments clinician fee, Sat: 12.5 hrs & Sun 8.5 hrs + 185.2km	Etr	\$1800.38	
Etransfer fee, etr Mar 5/24	Etransfer Fee	Etr	\$1.50	
Marion Abbott, etr Mar 5/24	Vocal assessments clinician fee, Sun 4 hrs + 70km	Etr	\$365.50	
Etransfer fee, etr Mar 5/24	Etransfer Fee	Etr	\$1.50	
Christ First Church, etr March 5/24	March Assessments sanctuary/Gold Mary room rental fee, for March 3-4	Etr	\$1020.00	
Etransfer fee, etr Mar 5/24	Etransfer Fee	Etr	\$1.50	
Lisa Iwasaki, etr Mar 11/24	Amelia's food for 2 days of assessments (\$45.19) and photocopying fee (\$32.54) for programs, students assessments forms	Etr	\$77.73	
Etransfer fee, etr Mar	Etransfer Fee	Etr	\$1.50	

11/24				
Rocco Signorile, etr Mar 8/24	Piano Masterclass teacher audit fee	Etr		\$25.00
Jill Kelman, etr Mar 25/24	Piano Masterclass teacher audit fee	Etr		\$25.00
Dr. Michael Esch, etr March 25/24	Piano Masterclass clinician fee, from 1:15-7:15pm=6 hrs + 130 km+ 1 meal	Etr	\$704.50	
Etransfer fee, etr March 25/24	Etransfer Fee	Etr	\$1.50	
Christ First Church, etr March 25/24	Piano Masterclass sanctuary rental + custodian fee	Etr	\$380.00	
Etransfer fee, etr March 25/24	Etransfer Fee	Etr	\$1.50	
Transfer to Scholarship account, April 8/24	Transfer from Operating account to Scholarship account, from donations to Scholarship fund, on Mar 4/24 (Noyan Hilmi \$10, Sapna Samessar \$50, Romary Poole \$20)	Transfer	\$80.00	
ORMTA	Branch portion membership fees	Cheq 1203		\$75.51
	<b>Operating Account: Closing Balance as of April 8/2024</b>			<b>\$11,375.06</b>
<b>Scholarship Account</b>				
Transfer from Operating account, on April 8/24	Donations to Scholarship Fund, transferred fr Operating account to Scholarship account, on April 8/24, from date Mar 4/24 donations online	Transfer		\$80.00
Cash received from assessments cash jar on March 3-4/24	Cash donations from cash jar, from Assessments on Mar 3-4/24	Cash jar		\$105.00
<b>Scholarship Account: Closing Balance as of April 8/2024</b>				<b>\$5,901.89</b>

1/Confirmed all clinicians are booked for the year 2023-2024: thank you Lisa and Sofia for all the bookings!

December assessments: Peteris Zarins on December 3/23 (Bio & photo done, not contract yet). DONE

\*March assessments (Piano): Amelia Grace Yates on March 2-3/24 (contract signed Oct 23/23, Bio done)

\*March assessments (Vocal): Marion Abbott on March 3/24 Sunday (contract signed, Bio, photo done Oct 17/23)

Piano Masterclass: Michael Esch on March 24/24

\*May Branch competitions (Piano): Joseph Ferretti on May 25-26/24 (contract signed Oct 30/23), only mileage # -----

\*May Branch competitions (Vocal): Allison Arends on May 26/24 (Bio, photo, contract signed Oct 20/23), only need mileage # -----

2/Branch Executive Monthly Meetings Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3446409559?pwd=VnNPdGFNcUk5RnlpSmNtMHP2ZlZyQT09>

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3/Fun Afternoon Recital: on Sunday Feb 11/24 @ 2:30pm-4:30pm

Registrations received from 5 teachers: \$495.00

Raffle Tickets Sales Cash received: \$525.00

Church rental/custodian: \$205

Decorations from Dollars store: \$45.20

**Net:** \$769.80 😊

4/Piano Masterclass: on March 24/24 & 1:15pm-7:15pm

Registrations from 4 teachers Lisa I (3 students), Lisa R (5 students), Lynne (duet), Lita (1 student): \$650

Teachers audit from 2 teachers Jill & Rocco: \$50

Clinician Dr. Michael Esch fee: \$706.00

Church rental fee: \$381.50

**Minus:** -\$387.50

Thuy moved to have the report accepted, seconded by Lisa.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**OCTA Nominations:** As our proposed nominee declined the nomination, and we were unable to propose a new nominee for this year, no nomination was made.

**Masterclass clinician:** Michael Esch was warmly received. Lisa Raposa commented afterwards: The masterclasses with Dr. Michael Esch were top-notch. He easily drew parallels between piano technique and a number of disciplines including literature, baking, and Tai chi and demonstrated snippets from an impressive range of repertoire. Above all, what stood out to me more than anything was his ability to connect with each student and bring out their musical best. I have already received thanks from a number of parents for these classes and appreciate the constant enthusiasm which he displayed over 6 hours of teaching!

**Branch Competition and Assessments:** Thuy is checking the supply of medals and honourable mention ribbons. The updated design of certificates has been approved. If the program can be prepared early, it will be helpful for all the planning, savings on rental hours, cheque preparation, printing etc.

**Scholarship funds:** Thuy is slightly concerned about the scholarship funds, as donations have declined, and some of the fundraising events have been dropped. We will consider charging an entry fee for the scholarship recital in future years.

**Fun Afternoon/Winter Recital:** In order to assist with fundraising, it would be helpful to find a teacher volunteer to bring back the Halloween recital.

**Provincial ORMTA:** GTA Zone competition is set.

**Fund-raising recital:** This event is still on the docket for further discussion.

**Branch merger plans:** Also yet to be decided.

**Adjournment:** Thuy moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Lisa.

**Next Executive Meeting:** Monday May 13 at 10 am via Zoom hosted by Thuy.

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