ESFRS Board meeting minutes - June 13, 2024

Called to order: 7:39 pm

Present:

Christy, Beth, Suzan, Kathleen

Absent:

Maggie, Kelly

Motions:

1. Formal approval of agreement reached via e-mail on May 7 re:

Paying Nicolette's back-dated teaching invoice

Moved by Beth

Seconded by Christy

2. Approval for Beth to receive electronic access to ESFRS CU account for making payments

Moved by Christy Seconded by Suzan

3. Acceptance of 2024-25 budget forecast

To include requested change to programming allotment from reserve fund (increase of up to \$7500 in addition to previously allocated 33% of total fund) to maintain support at same level as previous year.

Moved by Christy Seconded by Suzan

Report:

YTD budget report and forecast for approval

Summary of year activities:

My mother died

- I was AWOL a few times throughout August and September

Also took on a second Uni teaching position - U of A and Concordia

- Even more important now to have Beth take on admin

October ISA Teacher Trainer conference - Matsumoto

- Many exciting initiatives

- Not possible to implement immediately next academic year
- Graduation change to individual recital beginning now
- Merging group and individual lesson into one appointment for parent convenience part of realistic look at intersection of Suzuki philosophy and actual family resources

SMMC

- New Canadian Suzuki organization
- Regional training initiatives for teachers less American
- Reasons: Exchange rate, accessibility, bilingual service

Plans for future

- SAO conference representation in Nov PD & Advertising
- Bringing my strong international presence into regional and local spheres
- Beth taking on more of day to day admin
- Kathleen to focus on programming / experimentation

End: 8:41 pm