



Oregon Music
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**Oregon Music Teachers Association
West Portland District Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 25, 2021
Held on Zoom**

**10:00 a.m. – Program:
“Ten ways to incorporate social justice into your studio”
Ashlee Young, NCTM**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

President Elizabeth Caswell called the business meeting of the OMTA West Portland District to order at 11:13a.m. There were approximately 20 members present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

September 2021 OMTA West Portland Meeting Minutes are approved as written.

**REPORTS**

**Treasurer Report:** The account balance is \$25,389.86 as of today. Syllabus and Classical Festival checks will be added soon.

**Membership Report:** Celia Bartel. There are currently 194 members in the West Portland District. Membership remains the same as last month.

**Corresponding Secretary Report:** Alice Lyle. There have not been any cards sent out recently. If you have life events to share, joys, or concerns, you can email Alice.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Ensemble Festival:** Fen-Fang Tsao, chair. The Ensemble festival was held online and was successful. 36 students from 8 teachers participated and there were 5 winners in the competitive division. Sadly, the state ensemble festival has been canceled this year. Thank you to Elise Yun, the adjudicator.

**Classical Festival:** Marla Hansen and Natalya Klimov, co-chairs. The Classical Festival will take place November 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, and 14<sup>th</sup> at Portland Piano Company. 109 students registered from 27 teachers.

**Concerto Festival:** The date for the 2022 Concerto Festival has been moved to Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at Portland Piano Company.

**Hybrid Festival:** Marla Hansen, festival committee chair. To be in line with the hybrid format of Syllabus, we are considering offering hybrid versions of the festivals for the remainder of 2021-2022 year. In order to make this possible, we need the help of more teachers. Please contact Marla Hansen if you are available to help.

**West-Side OMTA (Hillsboro):** Susan Todd. The formation of a new district is taking place. The West-Side/Hillsboro group will decide on a name and separate from West Portland in June 2022. There will be an executive committee meeting before Thanksgiving to file paperwork with MTNA by the end of January.

**Syllabus:** A special thank you to all the Syllabus chairs - Leslie Chen, Holly Counts, Irene Huang, and Fen-Fang Tsao. Thank you for your incredible work organizing everything and putting together a hybrid program. The Syllabus season has started and will continue through the 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend of November.

**January Meeting:** The next West Portland meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 10a.m. The format will most likely be hybrid. COVID-19 policies per the OMTA State update of 9/3/21 will be followed.

Stay tuned, there may be a social gathering for West Portland members before the year's end.

President Elizabeth Caswell adjourned the meeting at 11:36a.m.

These minutes were prepared by Secretary Marla Hansen.

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**Next Meeting:
Tuesday, January 25th at 10a.m.
Russian technique and methods
Dr. Alexander Tutunov**

Tentatively a hybrid presentation.

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