Greater New York Music Library Association

Minutes

Fall Meeting
Tuesday, December 10, 2024, 9:30 A.M.
College of Performing Arts, The New School, New York City

Officers present:
Sara White, Chair
Catherine Hammer, Vice-Chair
Jeremiah Kamtman, Secretary-Treasurer

Number of members present: 15

Pre-meeting

- Breakfast and social time

Business Meeting – 10:00 a.m.

- Treasurer's report
  - Income: $405 in dues; $500 Travel Grant from MLA National; $1,000 anonymous donation
  - Expenses: food and drink for this meeting, $179.37
  - Balance: $5,039.70
  - Membership count: 27 dues-paying members as of 12/10/24 (waiting on updated list)
- Upcoming elections – Spring 2025
  - Nominations for Chair and Vice-Chair are open
  - Chair term is Spring 2025-Spring 2028 (3 years)
  - Vice-Chair term is Spring 2025-Spring 2027 (2 years)
    - This is a reduced term so that we can get back on the rotating schedule for officer elections
  - Officer duties conform to *Robert's Rules of Order,* with the addition that the Vice-Chair is responsible for initiating and coordinating Chapter programs
- Committees
  - A special committee will be formed to review submissions for our Chapter Travel Grant ($500).
    - Nominations and submission details will be determined by the Committee Chair (to be appointed by the Chapter Chair)
    - We are looking for paraprofessionals, students, and early career members to apply
    - Early bird registration for MLA National ends on 2/17: $250 for regular; $195 for student/early career/paraprofessional; $80 for financial hardship
- New Business
  - Jeremiah will draft language to amend the By-Laws to be crystal clear about the

percentage of votes needed for elections and By-Laws amendments
        - An online vote will be sent out to active members (please pay your dues!)
    - Leonard Lehrman asks if there is a Chapter Fund for special projects by Chapter members (example, requesting funds for the printing and/or distribution of his new autobiography)
        - The officers will meet to discuss this separately
- Meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Presentations

Authority Control for Performing Arts People in NYPL Digital Collections

Emma Clarkson, NYPL

The presenter gave an overview of NYPL's homegrown Digital Collections (DC) and Metadata Management System (MMS), their work with the LPA Name Thesaurus, and the importance of authority control and identity management.

Promotion of the publication of *Continuator*

Leonard Lehrman, Oyster Bay-East Norwich Public Library

The presenter introduced their new autobiography, *Continuator*, explaining the history behind its inception and publication, and highlighted key areas in the book. Preorder copies at https://www.tinyurl.com/preordercontinuator, and if interested, email ljlehrman@gmail.com for a review copy.

The New School Music-Related Archives

Jason Adomo, The New School

The presenter talked about the scope and history of The New School Archives and their importance in the music world, including the Mannes Camerata Collection, the Heinrich Schenker Collection, and the Alfred Corning Clark papers.