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E. Thayer Gaston Writing Award

The Gaston Award is open to undergraduate, equivalency, and intern students enrolled in an NAMT approved music therapy program. Papers may be on any topic relevant to music therapy. They may be written in the philosophical, historical, descriptive, or experimental mode of research and must follow APA format. Entries (4 copies) of previously unpublished papers must be postmarked by May 1, 1981 and sent to Gaston Writing Award, NAMT. This year's cash award is $100.

The conditions for submitting papers are:

- Only one paper will be accepted from each applicant. Papers may be individually or jointly authored.
- Papers may be any length up to 3,000 words and shall have a title page giving the name of the author(s).
- No names of authors, supervisors, or institutions shall appear on any page of the text.

The criteria for judging includes:

- Originality, organization, clarity of writing, relevancy of content to the music therapy profession, literature documentation and adherence to APA format.

If these criteria are not met by any submitted papers, the award will not be presented.

Music therapy directors of heads of music therapy programs in NAMT approved institutions must verify status of the author(s) on a separate cover page.

Student Representatives to NAMT Standing Committees
(See reps take office in May, 1981)

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Minutes of Student Meeting
Tuesday November 4, 1980

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 PM by NAMS President Debbie Lenz. NAMS Treasurer William Starch then read the list of colleges having paid their dues and how many delegate votes they each had. Ms. Lenz then explained the process of counting the electoral votes.

Nancy Fornely from the nominations committee called out the names of those running:

For President: Cindy Dubovsky, from Slippery Rock State College
William Starch, from Colorado State University
Susan Carroll, from University of Minnesota

There were no nominations from the floor for the office of president, and the motion to close nomination for president passed

For Vice-President:
Becky Wolf, from Ramapo College
Jeanne Mitchell, from Michigan State
Kurt Mitchell, from Northfield College

Nominations for Vice-President were then closed.

For Secretary:
Becky Farley, from University of Georgia
Elisabeth Kruesi, from Illinois State
Bobbie Krueh, from Northfield College

Motion to close nominations for secretary was passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Zander, Secretary, NAMS

For Treasurer: nominations were taken from the floor.
Kaye Bankert, from University of Kansas
Anne Lansen, from University of the Pacific.

For Parliamentarian:
Kathy Craig, from Illinois State

Cindy Snyder, from Slippery Rock State College

For the Nominations Committee:
Sita Umar, from Arkansas College
Becky Weinger, from University of Missouri in Kansas City
Connie File, from Colorado State University
Lisa Galti, from Marywood College
Cheryl Cornell, from University of Kansas
Debbie Ross, from University of Kansas

Following the reading of all nominees for office, came each nominee's speech. Each school then voted, and ballots were given to the Nominations Committee, who counted the votes during Slippery Rock State College's presentation.

Cindy Dubovsky, from Slippery Rock State College in Pennsylvania, then gave a presentation of the status of Music Therapy in state legislation in the states that responded to the questionnaire sent. Ms. Dubovsky gave out copies of the questionnaire and her findings, and explained the procedure used.

After the presentation, the Nominations Committee read out the results of the election of new officers of NAMS

President: William Starch
Vice-President: Becky Wolf
Treasurer: Anne Lansen
Secretary: Becky Farley
Parliamentarian: Cindy Snyder
Nominations Committee: Lisa Galti, Connie File, Becky Weinger, Diane Wexler

The new student representatives to NAMS Standing Committees are:

Clinical Training: Cheryl Sadau
Education: Lakes Nelson
Research: Barbara Forme
Government Relations: Cindy Snyder
International Relations: Cheryl Cornell
Employment Relations: Diane Kurts
Certiﬁcation: Debbie Williams
Affiliate Organization: Robby Schoenfeld
Judicial Review: Lisa Galti
Standards: Robby Simmons
Registration: Mary Crane
Ethics: Kathy Craig
National Association for Music Therapy
National Convention Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Minutes of Student Meeting
Sunday, November 2, 1980

The student meeting was called to order at 3:00 P.M. by NAMT President Debbie Lenee. She introduced herself and the NAMT Executive Board to the membership.

Debbie Lenee then talked about the structure of NAMT and how it has come a long way. She thanked all local people for their cooperation. The Newsletter is back, and two issues have come out since the last convention.

Mr. Lenee then stated that the other topic was to work on the national level. One aspect was to look at the State Legislation and how to help promote Music Therapy. One school, Slippery Rock, was assigned to see where Music Therapy stood in State Legislation.

The communication channel the students have is the Student Affairs Committee (SAC). It is made up of eight regional representatives, the President of NAMT, and eight active Registered Music Therapists from all the regions. The SAC looks at grievances and concerns, and directs them through the proper channels. Mr. Lenee then introduced the SAC to the Committee. Following this, she talked about where NAMT should be headed and the election of the new officers.

NAMT Vice-President Debbie Bowers talked about the duties of each officer as described in the NAMT Bylaws (revised, October 1979, Dallas). Debbie Lenee then described the procedures for the election. Applications were given out at this meeting, and they were due on the second student meeting, on Tuesday, November 4th. On that day, there will also be nominations from the floor. After the introduction of each applicant, there will be a two-minute speech by the applicant on his/her qualifications. The students of each school will then get together to decide how to vote. Ms. Lenee then explained the voting procedures. The ballots will be counted during the presentation by Slippery Rock State College, and the results will be given following the presentations.

NAMT Treasurer William Sherfis stated that only twenty schools have paid their dues. He issued the schools and their status of delinquent status. President Debbie Lenee addressed the issue of where we need to be going. NAMT President Carol Brice had stated that we should do workshops to advance music therapy. Wanda Leach has written a booklet on how to present workshops. Among the present needs are those for workshops, lobbying, which is already done on the NAMT level, and public relations.

NAMT Treasurer William Sherfis gave a report on the financial aspect of NAMT. There is a balance of $854.35 as of 11/2/80. The dues paid by each school go to the Newsletter, administrative expenses, voting privileges, and allows the opportunity to hold an office. 25% of the dues goes back to the regions. The student handbook will also be funded by the dues. It will explain the structure of NAMT and NAMT.

A report from each of the Regional Representatives followed.