Minutes for NACUSA Meeting March 25, 2014

Meeting took place at the home of Karl Schmidt 903 El Cajon, Palo Alto, CA

Members Present: Karl Schmidt, Dale Victorine, Anne Baldwin, Nancy Bloomer Deussen, John Beeman

The meeting was called to order by President Dale Victorine.

Treasurer's Report by Karl Schmidt:

Current Balance is \$2,911.

We received \$814.00 from last concert's receipts. We paid \$600 for liability insurance to PA. The City of Palo Alto may refund \$300.

The Sorella String Quartet will charge \$2,000

We will split Composers and Friends concert receipts with Foothill Presbyterian Church.

They expect us to pay \$10 per ticket but will provide a free reception.

We will remain in SVAC.

Old Business

CDs of last concert should be available in the near future. Some of the stereo was cut out in the recording. John Bilotta did a video of the concert.

New Business

Brian Holmes has volunteered to be secretary.

Dale V. has already done publicity for next concert. He has an extensive list of newspapers, web sites etc.

The Sorella String Quartet concert will be held at the Foothills Congregational Church in Los Altos.

The VP (Nancy Bloomer Deussen) will find out who the paid up members of our chapter are. Will research with national web master John Winsor and send the list to Dale, Karl and Herb.

We passed a motion to elect Brian as secretary. John Beeman will back up Brian when Brian cannot be present.

We have canceled our concerts at Community Music Center on Capp St. in San Francisco due to distance and parking problems.

We discussed the possibility of having some of our concerts on Sunday at 3:00 PM instead of Saturday night. We also discussed different venues. We think that being listed on a concert series is a good idea. John Beeman will check into Old First Church series in San Francisco.

CPE possible dates are: Nov 1 and 2 and Nov 8 and 9.

Difficulty of pieces needs to be considered when selecting compositions for our concerts since they require such long rehearsal time. Musicians cannot prepare them with 2 rehearsals plus dress.

We plan on contacting the Divisa Ensemble for our concert next May or June. We are considering moving our entire schedule up a bit earlier so as not to schedule in June.

Dale closed the meeting.