



**Southeast Texas  
Suzuki Association  
General Meeting Minutes  
January 12th, 2025  
Zoom 4-5pm**



- I. Welcome.
- II. Reading of Minutes. **Terri moves to waive, Katherin seconds, motion passes.**
- III. Treasury Report.
  - Bank Balance: 19,849.67 CD: 4,426.78
- IV. Membership Report- **Frances reads- 61 student family members, 36 teacher members**
- V. Board Members
  - President- Mayara Velasquez
  - Vice President- Lois Geertz
  - Past President- Katherine Sullivan
  - Treasurer- Frances McLean
  - Secretary- Katie Carrington
  - Member-at-large- Meredith Harris
  - Member-at-large- Danette Warren
  - **Members in attendance: Mayara Velasquez, Katherine Sullivan, Frances McLean, Katie Carrington, Meredith Harris, Danette Warren, Terri Matchett, Rachel Shepard, Grace Pugh, Susan McGinn, Judy Offman, Laurilyn Butin, Carlo Malanima, Ed Harper, Sam Matthews Isabelle Spencer, Clare Eary, Linda Hill Bridge, Jarret Bastow.**
- IV. Mission Statement: To foster the musical enrichment of teachers, students, parents and the community by providing opportunities that promote the Suzuki philosophy, nurturing the growth of the whole person through the study of music with the belief that all children can learn.
- V. Events
  1. **Fall Festival - Natali Linares - September 21t**
  2. **STXSA Teacher Book Club - Terri Matchett**
    - October 5th, 2024 at 7pm  
La Madeleine - Meyerland 4700 Beechnut St Unit 620, Houston, TX 77096  
Book: Kids Aren't Lazy: Developing Motivation and Talent Through Music with Author Lauren Haley.  
**This event was a great time!**
    - April 12th, 2025 at 7pm  
La Madeleine - Meyerland 4700 Beechnut St Unit 620, Houston, TX 77096  
Book: Mindset: The New Psychology of Success by Carol S. Dweck PHD  
**Teri is taking suggestions for next year's books!**
  3. **Spooky Suzuki - Julie Carlson - October 25th**

4. **Parent Night Online Series - Catherine Urban/Grace Pugh/Mayara Velasquez**  
Posters available to all teachers to share with students or other interested teachers
  - January 16th at 7:30pm with Christine Goodner via Zoom
  - April 29th at 7:30pm via Zoom with Michele Horner
5. **January 12th at 4pm: General Meeting Zoom**
6. **Institute Scholarship Deadline: January 27th - Meredith Harris/ Claire Eary**
7. **Spring String Fling and Teacher Development: February 8th - Rachel Shepard.** Chapelwood, 9 to 2pm. Faculty Daniel Saenz, James Hutchins, Katherine Sullivan. Hoping to attract violin book 7+ for this event. Teacher development- free observations to members, \$20 for non members.  
[Spring Fling |](#)
8. **Graduation Recording Deadline: March 17th**
9. **SAA Leadership Summit, Atlanta GA: March 21-22. Click [HERE](#)**
10. **Ribbon Festival: April 5th - Ed Harper.** Planning for an afternoon slot this year, likely 12-5 window. Will be organized by studio. Can prepare 1-2 solos, within Suzuki repertoire or outside. Will be 2 clinicians who give comments, each student will receive a ribbon. This is a great prep opportunity for studio or solo and recital day performances. Hoping for Chapelwood for the venue. More information shortly.
11. **Graduation: May 3rd - Terri Matchett** so far only 5 participants, location is Ethos school of music, 33211 Buckshot Ln, Magnolia TX 77354. Will do it with a pianist this year due to a smaller venue. Violin clinician is Vera McCoy Sulentic, Cello clinician is TBA.
12. **May 18th: Teacher End of the Year Party/ General Meeting**

#### VI. News

- **Space City Suzuki Institute - Sam Matthews, Institute Director.**
- Lists of Institutes in the Americas: [Institutes – Suzuki Association of the Americas](#)

#### VI. Stay Connected with STXSA

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Meeting adjourned at 4:54.