

**Nepean Concert Band  
Annual General Meeting – Wednesday February 26, 2014**

**Executive Present**

Graham Lindsey    Linda Taylor-Hall  
Julia Stewart        Rebecca Bourque  
Janice Huus         Warren McGovern

**Executive Absent**

Pam MacCaull

**Meeting Brought to Order at 7:35pm**

**Introduction by President - Graham Lindsey**

**Review and Approval of Previous AGM Minutes\***

Motion to accept previous AGM minutes by Pierre Desjardins, seconded by Tanya Chang.

MOTION APPROVED.

**Business Arising from Previous Minutes**

- None

**Presentation of Executive Reports**

**President's Report\* by Graham Lindsey**

Motion to accept President's Report made by Rebecca Bourque, seconded by Jan Huus.

MOTION APPROVED.

**Treasurer's Report\* by Julia Stewart**

- Thanks to Sharon Flack for continuing to assist with the collection of dues.
- Question: Was there a net loss of \$100 last year?  
Answer: Yes - it would have been more if not for jackets.
- Question: What decision was made regarding an increase in dues?  
Answer: The last dues increase was in 2006. We would require a large increase at this point to make any difference in the bottom line since we haven't had regular increases. The preference for the exec would be to keep

dues where they are and make up revenue by selling more tickets at concerts.

Motion to accept Treasurer's Report made by Warren McGovern, seconded by Lise MacLean.

MOTION APPROVED.

**Membership Report\* by Graham Lindsey for Pam MacCaull**

Motion to accept Membership Report made by Pierre Desjardins, seconded by Michelle Roger.

MOTION APPROVED.

**General Manager's Report\* by Linda Taylor-Hall & Julia Stewart for Eric Paterson**

Motion to accept GM's Report made by Jennifer Brinkhurst, seconded by Rebecca Bourque .

MOTION APPROVED.

**Music Librarian's Report\* by Warren McGovern**

- Thanks to Tanya for securing new storage.

Motion to accept Music Librarian's Report made by Tanya Chang, seconded by Heather Morris.

MOTION APPROVED.

**Equipment Manager's Report\* by Rebecca Bourque**

- Looking at getting carrier to save wear on timpani wheels (one was broken at AHP this past summer).
- Chimes are offset (from pulling from top when moving) - we are going to try and take them apart to fix them - so when helping move chimes in the future please pull from the middle.

Motion to accept Equipment Manager's Report made by Angela Darwin, seconded by Joanne Thiessen.

MOTION APPROVED.

**\*These documents are all available on the Membership Section of the NCB website.**

**Election of New Executive**

All incumbent candidates were relected by acclamation:

**President** – Graham Lindsey

**Treasurer** – Julia Stewart

**Membership** – Pam MacCaull

**General Manager** – Linda Taylor-Hall

**Equipment Manager** – Rebecca Bourque

**Music Librarian** – Warren McGovern

**Secretary** – Heather Morris was the only candidate to stand for election.

Motion to elect Heather Morris as the new secretary made by Jennifer Brinkhurst, seconded by Dave Laffradi. MOTION APPROVED.

## **New Business**

- Point raised that if we want to increase concert revenue then the band needs to buy into supporting our concerts and we need as much publicity as possible. The band was reminded that Karen is our new PR person and does send out to media outlets. Several suggestions were made:
  - Poster at church - used to happen - hasn't happened recently.
  - If everyone sent email to their own personal mailing list to advertise that would reach more people.
  - Do we have any breakdown on who is attending? Not at present. Might be useful in knowing who to target for advertising.
  - Trade advertising with other community bands.
  - Advertising at community centres to attract families since it is such a great deal (with kids under 12 getting in for free).
  - Advertising at schools.
  - Targeting senior's homes - Becca has already been tasked with contacting senior's homes.
  - Setting up a team to help Karen.

The executive will follow up on ways to implement as many of these suggestions as possible.

- Question: Do the NCB golf shirts look professional enough for the concert series?

Motion to make uniform for our concert series black dress pants and white blouse/dress shirt made by Tanya Chang, seconded by Michelle Roger. MOTION FAILED TO PASS (Vote was 14 in favour, and 16 opposed.)

It will go back to the executive for discussion.

- Question: Are we using our wooden NCB sign at AHP concerts?  
Answer: It was brought to the last few AHP concerts in 2013 but a volunteer is needed to take on that task for the coming season. Also, it was noted that a tear in the carrying bag needs stitching.
  - Cairine Thomas volunteered to mend the carrying bag.
  - Jennifer Brinkhurst volunteered to bring the sign to AHP concerts.
  
- Question: How often do we “Pass the Hat” at AHP.  
Answer: In the past we have chosen one concert each summer at which we “Pass the Hat” so as not to overload people with requests for money. It was pointed out that we are potentially losing out on revenue from people who do attend AHP but may miss that particular concert. The suggestion was made for a donation box to be put beside our sign on the grass in front of the bandshell at every AHP concert. We would continue to officially “Pass the Hat” at only one of the AHP concerts.

## **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Peter Vogelsang, seconded by Rebecca Bourque.

MOTION APPROVED.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.