

Edmonton String Players Association (E.S.P.A) - General Meeting

Time Thursday, February 19 (7:00 pm - 8:45 pm)
 Call to Order 6:50 pm
 Adjourned 8:45 pm
 Location Victoria School of the Arts
 Next Meeting TBD

Attendees

Brent Gustafson	Marla Palmer	Helene Butler
Annette Gustafson	Alline Cormier	Angela Nice
Carolyn Dagenais	Ted Tessier	

Agenda Item		
1	Introduction of all Attendees	- Round table introduction
2	Approval of Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alline will present Community building idea - Brent will discuss Chamber music program - Motion to approve as amended by Angela, seconded by Alline, all in favour
3	Approval of minutes from Jan 25, 2015 meeting	- Motion to approve by Brent, seconded by Alline, all in favour
4	President's Report	Carolyn <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Petar requested meeting with Winspear's Education branch. Have had preliminary meeting, will wait for follow-up. - Mandy Liu will be stepping down as Treasurer for personal reasons. Anna Lu would like to take on the role as soon as possible.
5	Treasurer's Report	No Report.

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6	Administrator's report	<p>Brent</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Some parents are asking for duplicate receipts, after having mislaid original. - We would like to bring in the option of paying annual fees in 1, 2, or 3 payments. - Student data base is done. - Options for pricing for next year was presented by Brent. Discussions ensued. - Motion to approved pricing for next year made by Brent, seconded by Alline, all in favour. - We resolved to adopt the following policy. - Minimum six (6) students for all classes except the Combined Bass classes and the Violin Level 6 class at D.S. MacKenzie Junior High School. - Beginner Viola Class stays at \$160. - Viola Level 2 Class decreases from \$390 to \$240. - Beginner Bass Class drops from \$330 to \$160. - Violas continue to be free in the orchestras. - Bases will now be free in the orchestras. - Beginner Violin, Cello and Guitar continue to be \$330. - All Level 2 and beyond classes other than Viola Level 2 class will drop from \$390 to \$375. - Orchestra Add-On Fee for Junior and Intermediate continues at \$160. - Orchestra Add-On Fee for Senior and Singing Strings continues at \$180. - Orchestra Only Fee drops from \$390 to \$300. - Volunteer Deposit Cheques will no longer be used. - A Volunteer Rebate of \$100 for Orchestra Only Fees is available for volunteer service to E.S.P.A. (If an orchestra only parent volunteers at one E.S.P.A. event, they will effectively have only paid a net \$200 registration fee.) - Instrument Rental Fees and Conditions will stay the same. - No rebates or discounts will be permitted as an incentive for students to move from any cancelled or merged classes to another. - Payment deadline for next year will be October 15th 2015. Motion to approve and adopt by Brent, seconded by C.C., all in favour
7	Teacher's Report	<p>Ted</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Teachers' meeting on March 14th . Parents are welcome. Angela plans to go to start gathering pictures for the new website.

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8	Advertising & Publicity Committee	Alline <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alline is purchasing 72 mugs and a table throw 6” for branding purposes. Motion to approve purchase by Alline, seconded by Angela, all in favour
9	Alumni Committee	- No update
10	Fundraising Committee	- No update
11	Abuse Committee	- No update
12	Tours and Concerts Committee	Brent & Alline <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Schools Tour will be May 11th-14th . We still have holes in schedule. For May 13th the morning is open. - The venue for End of Year Orchestra concert will be Convocation Hall (\$770, 426 seats) The date will be Thursday May 28th if possible, if not, Saturday May 30th.
13	Website Committee	Carolyn <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - New site build is underway. Target roll-out date of April 1, 2015, to allow all 2015/16 season registrations to take place in new streamlined process.
14	Casino Committee	C.C. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Casino Chairperson, will be looking into attending AGLC GAIN session - We have online ACLC account, can use for GAIN registration - Carolyn and Bingo Chairperson Laura will be attending AGLC GAIN in March
	New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1st meeting for chamber music has occurred, working with Guillaume Tardif and Yue Deng to establish schedule. - Alline proposed a community event idea: String-a-thon. It was decided that we should discuss it at the next meeting.
	Old Business	- None

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m. by _____ seconded by _____ all in favour

Tabled Items

Item No.	Date Logged	Item
1	03/03/15	Approval of minutes from Feb 19, 2015

Action Items

Item No.	Date Logged	Description	Action Item Owner	Completion Date
1	09/25/14	Sunita to create a listing of all members of the ESPA once the registrations are finalized	Sunita	In progress
2	01/11/15	Carolyn to create tri fold for corporate sponsorship program	Carolyn	In Progress
3	01/11/15	Alline to email marketing committee to get together and create a sponsorship	Alline	In Progress
4	01/11/15	Carolyn to send Alline info on Alumni committee	Carolyn	In Progress
5	01/11/15	Sunita to find out how to get auto receipts for online donations	Sunita	In Progress
6	02/19/15	Set up paying options for next year.	Brent	In Progress
7	02/19/15	Angela will talk to teachers at March 14 meeting, get biographies etc from them	Angela	In Progress
8	02/19/15	Alline is purchasing mugs and table throw.	Alline	In Progress
9	02/19/15	Brent is working on the schedule for tour.	Brent	In Progress
10	02/19/15	C.C. Is taking care of upcoming casino.	C. C.	In Progress
11	02/19/15	Brent will rent Convocation Hall for concert.	Brent	In Progress