

September Meeting Minutes

Type of Meeting: General

Meeting called by: Edmonton String Players Association

Date: September 8th, 2018

Time: 10:00 AM

Location: #210, 11803 125 Street



ATTENDEES	
Sherlynn Der	Courtney Cline
Annie Wang	Sheila Albrecht
Omar Rahaman	Jingyi Ao
Yuanxiang Gu	Esayas Asmelish
Holly Mccabe	Deny Malasador
Yu Zhang	Lin Chen
Chien Fang Yu	Tracy Lee-Kong
Phuong Bach	Doris Lunardon
Teresa Lank	Geng Wei

MINUTES	
CALL TO ORDER: 10:11 AM	
1. Introduction	Round Table
2. Agenda Approval	Motion: Holly Mccabe Second: Doris Lunardon
3. Minutes Approval - June 2, 2018	Motion: Doris Lunardon Second: Deny Malasador
4. Report - President <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Office Admin/Registrar, Sheila Albrecht, started June 18, 2018. All 2017/18 Volunteer Deposits have been returned. AGLC Reports for the Bingo & Casino accounts were submitted on June 18th. A response was received on June 20th, which stated that all the requirements were met. Alison Zdunich emailed her resignation on July 25th. Her two Classes in St. Albert have been cancelled. Patricia Estabrooks planned to offer a Beginner Violin Class on Saturdays at the MEP Office but is unable to after a shoulder injury - therefore, this class was cancelled. The 6 students enrolled were offered other class times or receive a full refund. 	Sherlynn Der

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As of September 8th: 2018/19 Enrollment: 191 2017/18 Enrollment: 210 Class Registration will close on October 6th. Orchestra Registration will remain open all season. • Due to low enrollment Level 2 Guitar and Level 3 Guitar will be combined and offered at 4:00 – 5:10 pm at George P. Nicholson. An additional Beginner Guitar will be offered in the 5:10 - 6:20 pm timeslot. • Allyson Lyne will be conducting Orchestra 1 and 3. Victoria School did not have space available at an earlier time or on an alternate date, therefore Orchestra 1 was moved to Monday (6:30 - 7:40 p.m.) at the MEP Office. • Jackie Powers Beginner Violin Class may be cancelled due to low enrollment. • Edmonton Public School Leasing Department has been contacted as the new lease agreement has not been received yet. • The Bingo Chairperson, Martin Kopchia, has resigned as his child is no longer a part of the program. A new Chair must be elected as Bingos pay approximately \$800 per month to the Program. These funds are used to pay Teachers, rental venues, sheet music, etc. • The first Bingo of the 2018/19 Season was held on September 7th, only 8 out of 10 volunteers showed up. The staff at the Bingo Hall stated that if MEP cannot arrange for 10 volunteers to be present, the Bingo spots reserved will be lost. • Ormrod Accounting is working on the MEP 2016/17 Year End Financial Report. Two parent volunteers will be required to Audit the report once it is received. • ESPA Insurance does not cover Contractors (teachers, office admin). This will be investigated and presented at the next meeting. 	
<p>5. Report – Treasurer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accounts as of September 8th, 2018: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – General Operating: \$ 184,707.24 – Casino: \$ 41,176.36 – Bingo: \$ 5,964.21 – ETransfer: \$ 0.13 	<p>Sherlynn Der</p>
<p>6. Unfinished Business</p> <p>a. Planning 2018/19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First day of Classes: September 10 <p>Motion for Winter Break to begin on December 14th Classes will resume on January 7th</p> <p>Motion for the Last Day of Classes to be on May 24th</p>	<p>Motion: Omar Rahaman Second: Holly Mccabe Vote: 14 Yes (<i>Carried</i>)</p> <p>Motion: Omar Rahaman Second: Teresa Lank Vote: 14 Yes (<i>Carried</i>)</p>

- Concerts:
 - Winterfest is tentatively booked for Sunday, December 15th at Concordia
 - Orchestra Extravaganza is tentatively booked for Sunday, May 26th at Concordia

7. New Business

a. Space For Orchestra 2 & 3

- There are 15 total Blackout Dates at Victoria School this season. Strathearn United Church is willing to rent their space (\$100/room) for Orchestra on some of the dates, but the Conductors would like a more permanent location to be found.

Allyson Lyne will investigate the possibility of renting space at the Orange Hub.

The group put forth the following possible spaces;

- Ottewell United Church (6611 93a Ave)
 - mosaicHouse Church (6811 92 a Ave and/or 11304 25 Ave)
 - Concordia
- The first two meetings of Orchestra 2 & 3 will be combined and held at:
Ascension Lutheran Church (8405 83 Street)

b. Volunteer Opportunities

- As there are very limited volunteer spaces available at the Concerts, Members were advised to not wait until the end of the season to fulfill their requirement. The Bingo dates and Signup links are posted to the Website Calendar. Members will receive reminders via email.
- Casino Dates are not confirmed yet, but will occur sometime in 2019.

8. Next Meeting (Annual General Meeting)

Date: Saturday, October 13th, 2018

Time: 10:00 AM

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MEETING ADJOURNED: 11:00 AM