

Alan Jones  
President

Helene Butler  
secretary

Edmonton String Players Association Meeting (AGM)  
Annual General Meeting Minutes

Date: Saturday, October 24th

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Call to Order: 10:08 a.m.

Adjourned: 12:45 p.m.

Location: University of Alberta, Fine Arts Building, Room 1-29

Next Meeting: Saturday, October 31st, 10 a.m. MEP office (210, 11803 125 Street, Edmonton)

Attendees:

Carolyn Dagenais	Alan Jones	Annette Gustafson	Patricia Estabrooks
Helene Butler	Jake Saito	Alline Cormier	Leah Flemmer
Mickey Cameron	Christine Twordsik	Camille Beaudoin	Martin
Catherine Kopchia	Brent Gustafson	Virginie	

Agenda Item	
1. Introduction of all Attendees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Round table intro</li></ul>
2. Approval of Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Motion to approve agenda by Alline seconded by Alan, all in favour.</li></ul>
3. Approval of Minutes from October 17th, 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No motion at this time</li></ul>
4. President's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Grant AB Foundation for the Arts: now eligible, March 1st deadline, we need a grant writer.</li><li>• Steve Glassmen will write a grant for us, make a short documentary video highlighting the different music</li></ul>

	<p>programs in Edmonton.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Possible option to join Edmonton Public or Concordia.</li> <li>• Intermediate orchestra meeting at City Hall</li> </ul>
5. Vice-President's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Christmas concert will be Dec. 13th</li> <li>• T-shirts sold and paid for.</li> <li>• Halloween party for Junior, Senior and Intermediate orchestras. Organized by Ted.</li> <li>• From Windspear: 20 tickets 3 times a year for MEP students.</li> <li>• Guillaume has invited MEP to perform at Windspear on January 24th.</li> <li>• \$350 raised through Fundscrip campaign. Another campaign started with November 5th and 9th deadlines. Money to go toward Bennett Centre</li> <li>• For Bennett Centre, schedule being drafted. Found guests to run workshops.</li> </ul>
6. Administrator's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• .As of Oct.24 we have approximately 362 students registered.</li> <li>• \$7,564 estimated deficit</li> <li>• We have emergency funds \$34,451</li> <li>• Recommendations: We need grants and fundraising, we could sell instruments or close down orchestras. We could shorten Intermediate and Senior (since they are fewer in numbers) orchestras to save money.</li> </ul>
7. Artistic Coordinator's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Had a good turn out at October meeting.</li> <li>• Patricia is attending classes and orchestras</li> <li>• Next meeting is on Sunday Nov.8th</li> <li>• We will move kids out of Junior Orchestra and move them to Intermediate in January.</li> </ul>

8. Instrument Technician's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Planning workshops to teach kids how to care for their instrument and for parents to get info.</li> <li>• All instruments are in the office.</li> </ul>
9. Treasurer's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Motion to adopt the annual financial statements of E.S.P.A. for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2015 by Virginie, seconded by Alan, all in favor</li> </ul>
10. Tours and Concerts Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>
11. Fundraising Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>
12. Website Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>
13. Alumni Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>
14. Abuse Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>
15. Action Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leah will run instrument workshops.</li> <li>• Bennett Centre schedule to draft.</li> <li>• Fundschrift continues</li> <li>• Brent working on grant</li> <li>• Alline and Patricia chosen to attend the Stakeholders meeting at Concordia.</li> </ul>
16. Closing Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Motion for meeting to be adjourned by Hélène, seconded by Catherine, all in favor</li> </ul>

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

#### Tabled items:

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Invite the YONA System and kids to join the MEP orchestras for an evening of playing together.</li> <li>2. The Royal Alberta Museum will be used for the Christmas concert. There is an extra fee of \$300. It has not been paid.</li> <li>3. Patricia has offered to be the piano accompanist at all concerts.</li> <li>4. Jacky: parents want to use City Hall for concerts.</li> <li>5. Grand Prairie Tour</li> <li>6. Sausage sale for fundraising.</li> </ol>
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## Annual General Meeting

### Election results:

Officers	Name	Email	Phone
President	Alan Jones	alanj271@gmail.com	780-394-6614
Vice-President	Christine Twardzik	christine.twardzik@gmail.com	780-918-0276
Treasurer	Sunny Cho		
Secretary	Hélène Butler	helenebutler@live.com	780-293-6296
Committees			
Fundraising Chair			
Advertising & Publicity Chair	Camille Beaudoin	camille@mosaicentertainment.ca	780-717-2532
Tours & Concerts Chair	Alline Cormier		
Website Chair	Leah Flemmer (not chair)		
Bingo Chair	Brent Gustafson		
Casino Chair	C.C. Boonstra		
Newsletter Chair	Alan Jones		
Alumni Chair	Patricia Estabrooks (not chair)		
Abuse Chair	Catherine Kopchia	catherine_kopchia@msn.com	