

Sept. 2, 2021

Meeting Minutes

Type of Meeting: Board

Meeting Called by: Edmonton String Players Association

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Ascension Church



Attending:

Karen Hipson, President

Tony Tucci, Treasurer (attended online)

Andrew Hoskins, Vice-President

Christine Regehr, Secretary

Guillaume Tardif, Member at Large

Patricia Estabrooks, Conductor

Miriam Ferguson, Conductor

Karen Hipson called the meeting to order at 6:20 p.m.

REPORT: Karen, Patricia and Miriam reported on orchestra registration. Thirteen and eighteen students respectively are registered for two Thursday rehearsals. Four students are registered for Singing Strings. Six or seven adults are interested in the adult ensemble.

MOTION: Tony Tucci moved that an initial payment of \$50 is due by October 15th from families. Arrangements for full payment also needs to be clarified by that time. Andrew Hoskins seconded the motion. All in favour. Carried.

Motion: Christine Regehr moved that If Petar cannot provide something that would suggest that the Singing Strings Orchestra would have at least 10 students, the program is not viable. Tony Tucci seconded the motion. All in favour. Carried.

ACTION: Andrew will contact Petar to communicate this.

MOTION: Andrew Hoskins moved that the adult ensemble proceeds with seven registrations. Karen Hipson seconded the motion. All in favour. Carried.

ACTION: Karen Hipson will price out air cleaners for the basement. Karen will investigate whether the church has an air circulation system that is turned off or if they would chip in for a purchase.

MOTION: Andrew Hoskins moved that Karen Hipson is approved to purchase an air cleaner of a price of up to \$400. Christine seconded. All in favour. Carried.

ACTION: Andrew and Christine will talk with parents at 5:30 p.m. upstairs on the first night of orchestra. Karen Hipson, Andrew Hoskins and Christine Regehr will meet with parents at 7:00 pm.

ACTION: Andrew Hoskins will write a draft document for parents and circulate it to conductors and board members.

ACTION: Karen Hipson will lay out an agenda for the meeting for parents.

DISCUSSION: Miriam Ferguson asked whether she and Patricia Estabrooks can both be present for both orchestras for the first three rehearsals. The board agreed.

ACTION: September 30 is a new national holiday. Andrew Hoskins will add a comment to the kick off session about going forward with an orchestra rehearsal on Sept. 30 so that we don't lose momentum.

ACTION: Karen Hipson will send a message tonight about the need for board members. The parent meeting needs to communicate this message: if we don't have a board, we don't have any orchestras.

ACTION: Karen Hipson will communicate to parents that the board is discussing a revision to the bi-laws with respect to the eligibility of board members –article 3.0.

Action: 15 printed copies of the agenda and budget will be at the AGM

Action: Karen Hipson will contact Courtney to revise the website for the October financial due date.

Karen Hipson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.