

ACPBA Executive Meeting - Minutes

Feb. 18, 2024, 7:30pm to 8:15pm, Zoom.

Attendees

Dan Knee, Christina Oliver, Pamela Newcomb, Trevor Kellock, Gordon Murray, James MacHattie, Kylie MacHattie, Larry Amirault, Ray Halliday, John Murray, Tom Cuming, Hugh Goldie

In absentia: Matt Clark

Agenda

Meeting Agenda

Motion: Approving meeting agenda

Notes: Agenda Approved.

Motion initiated by: Dan. Seconded by: Gordon

Approving Jan. 14 Meeting minutes

Motion: Approve previous meeting's minutes

Notes:

Motion initiated by: Dan. Seconded by: James

Old Business:

1. Follow up on action item #1 : Review of current constitution and make changes as necessary - potential committee to complete this

Presenter: Dan

Notes: Dan and Larry + 2 volunteers will make up committee

Next Action: Christina to send out a call for volunteers on social media to help create committee.

2. Follow up on action item #2: Social media/webpage updates - clarity of links was mentioned at AGM.

Presenter: Christina/Dan

Notes: Christina has something set up for minutes and will publish January's meeting minutes on site now that they have been approved. Matt has sent out a few logo drafts to executive. Concern re: paying for graphic designer. Minimum criteria discussed: representation for all 4 provinces and possibly moving away from crest design.

Next Action: Criteria for logo guidelines to be created. If executive thinks of anything, email Dan. Dan to create some criteria and touch base with Christina and Lynn.

3. Follow up on action item #3: Membership issues raised at AGM.

Presenter: Dan/Christina

Notes: BC uses "Wild Apricot" - does messages, payment, does finances, people can also sign up for workshops, we can do surveys through it as well. Also sends out membership renewal reminder emails to registrants. Possibly a worth-while investment.

Next Action: Christina to come back with fees/monetary commitment for this for next meeting.

4. Follow up on action item #4: Judging issues/judges list (requirements for new judges)

Presenter: Dan/Music Board

Notes: awaiting music board meeting.

Next Action: Music board meeting Feb. 19. This to be discussed then.

5. Follow up on action item #6: Banking update

Presenter: Dan

Notes: Dan, Gordon, and John have all been added to bank acct. as signatories. New visa with updated name. Joint stocks updated with Pam and Tom added.

Next Action: N/A

6. Follow up on action item #7: Suggestion Box

Presenter: Christina

Notes: Discussion of comment vs. suggestion box. Concern around phrasing. Settled on comments and/or suggestions box.

Next Action: a) Christina to remind membership that there is a comment box on site. b) Re-word that section to imply suggestions are also welcome.

7. Follow up on Action item #8: Instructor List

Presenter: Dan

Notes: Matt has spoken with NL and no takers for instructors. Not much progress elsewhere.

Next Action: Dan to mention to music board at meeting. Tom to look at PPBSO model.

8. Follow up on action item #9: Knockout Competition

Presenter: Dan/Tom

Notes: Dan spoke with Tom throughout month. Suggestion to start with 1 event, ACPBA indoor drumming/piping championships. Could be roaming game that can move to different cities in areas (annually or quarterly, etc). There are some funds leftover from last year's Knock-Outs that should be moved to ACPBA general fund and earmarked for this purpose. Grants also possibly available for an event like this. More opportunity needed for drummers. Encourage drumming instructors to help organize something for drummers. ACPBA to potentially run the competition.

Next Action: Dan/ Tom to continue working. ACPBA to encourage individual Games committees to prepare to have pre-recorded audio options for drummers to play to (ie: speaker). Music board to discuss at meeting.

9. Follow up on action item #10: "Landing Pad"

Presenter: Tom

Notes: no further progress.

Next Action: carried forward action from January's meeting: Tom to reach out to Shelena regarding recruitment committee status and appointing chair.

10. Follow up Item # 12: Agnew-Harrison Drumming Competition

Presenter: Tom

Notes: Tom contacted them but hasn't heard back. Unsure if we'll get a response from Tom's email

Next Action: Christina/Tom to ask organizers if we can start advertising their competition on our social media. If so: start sending out advertising.

11. Follow up on action item #14: AGM 2024 Proposal (Nov. 2-3, 2024)

Motion presented by: Trevor, Christina

Notes: Can have piping and drumming workshops as well as other subjects potentially (dancing, etc.). Instructor options are the typical players but could be pricey, James suggested approaching grade 1 players to mentor/instruct younger players. Budget unknown at this point.

Next Action: ACPBA to send off \$250 to reserve weekend - Trevor to send Dan contact info to send that off ASAP. Christina to send out save the date communication to membership/social media. Small committee of pipers and drummers to make proposal on workshop content & instructors. Hugh, Larry, Pam, Tom, James, Kylie, and Dan volunteered to create the committee. Goal to have budget prepared for next meeting.

12. Any other old business

Motion: n/a

Notes: n/a

Next Action: n/a

New Business:

1. Communication with Association re: Membership Registration Deadline

Presenter: John Murray

Notes: 59 registrants as of Feb. 14. April 1st is the next price increase deadline (from \$30 to \$40). Christina sent out a reminder post on social media.

Next Action: Christina to post another reminder a couple of weeks before next price jump deadline.

Motion to convene: Larry. Seconded by: Kylie

Next meeting: Mar. 24 at 7:30pm via Zoom

**** Meetings to be 3rd Sunday of every month ** (march excluded)**

Action items for next meeting: 1-4, 6-11.

Agenda items for next meeting: Follow up on action items from Feb. 18 meeting.