



**EDMONTON STRING PLAYERS ASSOCIATION
JANUARY 2023 GM**

Meeting Minutes

Type of Meeting: General Meeting

Date: January 12, 2023

Time: 7 pm

Location: M.E.P\ Ascension Lutheran Church

Proposed duration: 1.5 hours.

Attendees

Karen Hipson, President

Maryse Bouchard, Vice-President

Daniel Spanu, Treasurer

Liliana Filipoiu, Secretary

Jason Linton

Kathy Walters

Jennifer Dunton

Robert (Bob) Davidson

Christine Daum

Karen Wong

Yah Li

Keith Nyenya

Call to Order: 7.00 pm

It was established that the meeting has a quorum. Member attendance was recorded from the sign-in sheet.

Agenda Approval

MOTION: Maryse Bouchard moved to approve the agenda. Karen Hipson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Adoption of Minutes from the last Meeting

MOTION: Kathy Walters moved to adopt the last Meeting. Daniel Spanu seconded the motion. Motion carried.

President's Report: Karen Hipson

- Patricia is feeling better, so she decided to come back. We want to thank Sarah for helping us while Patricia recovered. We will need 2 volunteers to be here early each week (at least 15 minutes before 7 pm)to help with the setup. Volunteering for 4 rehearsals will count towards the volunteer hours. Emails will be sent out first to those who didn't get a chance to volunteer yet.

- Sheila is not available to help anymore unfortunately, her help was greatly appreciated. Someone with musical knowledge to assist Patricia may be needed.
- Video links with the winter concert will be sent out via email.
- MOTION: Karen Hipson moved to cancel the bingo license (until March 2024 when we will reassess). Maryse Bouchard seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer Report

- We received \$770 in donations at the last concert. Thank you! We were not charged for renting the hall, we just had to pay \$150 for the refreshments.
- Cheques were ordered, and the bank charged us \$190.
- Ledger and Binder are up to date.

Unfinished Business

1. **Casino report** – we want to thank Karen and Jason for their hard work. Because of them, everything went well and we were able to cover all shifts. Just a note, for the next time we should look into the ‘Angels’ group to help us cover the shifts we don’t have volunteers for. Jodi is an orchestra parent and a casino advisor and would be happy to help us next time in whatever way she can.
2. **Fundraising-** \$29,410 were raised using Fundscrip. Our share for doing that is \$1121.34. Most probably we will do another Fundscrip in March. Quarterly orders are something to consider for the future.
3. **Winter Concert-** as mentioned above, we were only charged for the refreshments, not for using the hall. Emails with the video links from the concert are being sent. Feedback from the concert was positive, with the suggestion that beginners should be the ones to open the concert.
4. **Spring Concert-** Sunday, May 28, 2023 is the date for the Spring Concert. We are looking into venues for the Spring Concert, we have a short list. The things to consider are the number of people it can accommodate, minimum of 700 people, and the price. We are still open to suggestions, so please feel free to share with us if you know a great place that we should consider.

Upcoming Dates

We have set the dates for the next meetings:

-Monday, February 13, 2023 @ 7 pm

-Thursday, March 16, 2023 @ 7 pm.

-Saturday, May 13, 2013 @ 10 am

We will revisit the date for the month of April.

20:07 MOTION to end the meeting carried. All in favor.