Edmonton String Players Association
2024/2025 Annual General Meeting
Type of Meeting: Annual General Meeting
Called by: Edmonton String Players Association
Date: May 31st, 2025
Time: 10:00 AM

Kathy , vice president
Liliana , secretary/treasurer
Ryan volunteer coordinator
Margaret fundraising coordinator
Miriam , conductor
Karen registrar
Cara
Judith
Aaron
Heather
Wilson
Dale
Karen
Vanessa
Thea

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Opening/Call to Order

- **Establish quorum**
  - Quorum has been established; attendance was taken on the attendance sheet

- **Adopt the Meeting Agenda**
  - Moved: Kathy
  - Seconded: Ryan
  - Votes in favor: All in favor

  Motion Carried

- **Adoption of October 2023 AGM Minutes**
  - Moved: Kathy
  - Seconded: Liliana
  - Votes in favor: All in favor

  Motion Carried

Vice President's Report – Kathy

(Our President, Cam absent , he will send his report via email when he is able to)

To start this report, I would like to bring up a motion that grants Karen, our registrar, approval to get quotes for our insurance renewal

- Moved: Kathy
- Seconded: Liliana
- Votes in favor: All in favor

Motion carried

No other issues are being brought up at this moment.

Approval for Karen to present Treasurer's Report

- Moved: Liliana
- Seconded: Ryan
- Votes in favor: All in favor

Motion Carried

Treasurer's Report- delivered by Karen for Liliana

At the start of this season, September 1, 2024 -

General Operating Account
E-transfer Account
Casino Account
Paypal Account
Servus Common Shares
Servus Rewards
Insurance Value of Property

Revenues from September 1 through April 30 -

4440 Registration Fees $
4300 Private Donations
4100 Casino Income
4500 Fundraising

Expenses from September 1 through April 30 -

5020 Concert and Festival Fees $143.47
5030 Hall Rentals $400.00
5070 Casino Fundraising Expenses $2,607.15
5100 Gift card (Fundraising) Expenses $18,285.00
5130 Bank Fees $6.80
5160 Office Rent $19,800.00
5170 Office supplies $153.01
5190 Printing and Copy $984.25
5200 Telephone, Internet $815.33
5210 Other $337.20
5220 Gift and Meeting Hospitality $96.22
5225 Website Maintenance $410.26
5250 Criminal Record Checks $30.00
5270 Accounting and Legal Fees $1,890.00
5310 Sheet Music $925.10
5510 Instructor Honoraria $22,540.00
5540 Wages and Honoraria $2,645.80
4440 Registration Fees $1,350.00

Financials as of April 30, 2025

General Operating Account
Casino Account
E-Transfer Account
Paypal Account
Servus Common Shares
Servus Reward
Insurance Value of Property

A few notes -

There was a slight increase in rent, a decrease in insurance premium, but most expenses stay fairly consistent.

Enrollment was down this year for some groups but up for others. Overall registration revenue was actually $27,232, but $8,775 of that was received during the 2023/2024 fiscal year.

	2024-2025	2023-2024	2022-2023
Orchestra 1	17	22	27
Orchestra 2	37	33	24
Fiddlinists	10	12	15
Adult 2pm	18	13	13
Adult 7pm	15	10	21

The organization had fallen behind on completing members' audits - that has been resolved thanks to the volunteers who stepped up to complete two this year instead of just one.

AGLC guidelines for spending casino funds have been expanded slightly which will allow for more of the casino funds to be used for administrative and program expenses where in the past most of it was used only for paying conductors.

The Board made the decision to hire an assistant for Orchestra 2 because of the size of the group. This will likely continue.

The Board also made the decision to hire an office administrator/registrar to manage more of the bookkeeping, paperwork and administrative tasks to reduce the workload of the volunteer positions.

Volunteer Director Report- Ryan

The Volunteers have been very active this year, out of 78 people, just 18 did not fulfill their volunteer requirements, with at least 10 going above and beyond the requirements, so everything went very smooth this year. I still don't have the complete records of the volunteers, that is the reason why this year we will not cash any of the volunteer cheques, all of them will be shredded next weekend.

The Board would like to thank Ryan for the great job he did as a Volunteer Director, within a week all volunteer spots for Casino were filled, every Thursday we had volunteers to help, as well as both concerts running smoothly.

Fundraising Director Report- Margaret

FundScrip went well, some small issues on the way, but a good outcome overall. I would like to give a shoutout to Yvette that did the silent auction at the last concert, because she did an amazing job, she made everything look so easy, even though it wasn't. Thank you, Yvette!

Election of Executive Officers and Directors

Election of Board President
Nominee: Amy Archibald

MOTION to elect Amy as the President:

- Moved: Kathy
- Seconded: Ryan
- Votes in favor: All in favor

Motion carried

Election of Board Vice President
Nominee: Karen Kawulka

MOTION to elect Karen as the Vice President

- Moved: Kathy
- Seconded: Liliana
- Votes in favor: All in favor

Motion carried

Election of Treasurer
Nominee: Ryan Heit

MOTION to elect Ryan as the Treasurer

- Moved: Kathy

- Seconded: Karen
- Votes in favor: All in favor

Motion carried

Election of Secretary
Nominee: Vanessa Kay

MOTION to elect Vanessa as the Secretary

- Moved: Kathy
- Seconded: Ryan
- Votes in favor: All in favor

For next year we need 3 Directors: Fundraising Coordinator, Events and Social media Coordinator, and Volunteer Coordinator.

The following members stepped up and are willing to fill in these positions as follows:

Margaret Ushko for Fundraising Director
MOTION to elect Margaret as Fundraising Director

- Moved: Kathy
- Seconded: Ryan
- Votes in favor: All in favor

Motion carried

Liliana Filipoiu for Events and Social Media Director
MOTION to elect Liliana as Events/Social media Director

- Moved: Kathy
- Seconded: Ryan
- Votes in favor: All in favor

Motion carried

Ryan Heit for Volunteer Director(interim)
MOTION to elect Ryan as Volunteer Director

- Moved: Kathy
- Seconded: Dale
- Votes in favor: All in favor

Motion carried

Changes to Bank account Responsibilities

Motion to remove past executive from ALL ESPA bank accounts of MEP.

- Moved: Kathy
- Seconded: Liliana
- Votes in favor: All in favor

Motion carried

Motion to add newly elected executives to ALL ESPA bank accounts of MEP.

- Moved: Kathy
- Seconded: Liliana

- Votes in favor: All in favor

Motion carried

In closing, we want to thank our students and parents for the commitment they showed this year. The year went smoothly for the most part, and everyone was ready to play their part when they needed to do so. We appreciate everyone's help very much, thank you!

Also, we do have a new conductor for Orchestra 2, Sarah will replace Patricia (she decided to retire), a retirement party for Patricia will be held in the fall.

MOTION to adjourn the meeting

- Moved: Kathy
- Seconded: Dale
- Votes in favor: All in favor

Motion carried

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 AM