

PETERBOROUGH NEW HORIZONS BAND
Board of Directors Minutes
Dec 5th, 2018

PRESENT: Cathy Brown-Payne, Margaret Seabrook, John Topic, Bob Orrett, Cliff Ballantyne, Al Brunger, Margaret Allen, Brenda Bock, Lorna Devan

Past President: Lorna Verhulst

Regrets: Roger Bresee, Brenda Bock

Recording Secretary: Joan Necoloff

1. Conflict Of Interest – None –

John explained what this means for the new members.

2. Chair’s Remarks – John Topic

John thanked the board for getting so many things done.

3. Approval of Minutes of the November 14th, Meeting

MOVED by Allan Brunger and SECONDED by Lorna Devan that the minutes of the November 14th, 2018 meeting be approved.....CARRIED

4. Business Arising

4.1 Annual Potluck Social Week After Concert

Discussion on if we want to continue this social, as the Conductors questioned if we could use the Wednesday as the final rehearsal date. It’s a stress free time to socialize, sight read music, interact with the green band and have pot luck. It was agreed to continue to do it this way.

MOVED by Lorna Devan and SECONDED by Margaret Allen that next year we continue to have a pot luck social at the same time as this year, subject to the booking date at CalvaryCARRIED

4.2 Practice Tips – Cliff Ballantyne and Lorna Devan

Cliff was waiting for the tips to go up on the webpage. He will post just the first page now with a note that it will be on the web soon. An email will go out before Christmas to the members with practice tips. Bob offered to get testimonies from people who practice and play well and have them posted.

4.3 Website - John Topic and Lorna Devan

John reported that Norma and James are working on changing the website to a new server. Email will be put on the same server. Norma sent an email to the Board with a series of questions. She encouraged the BOD to look at the website, for anything awkward, or to be added, removed, or updated i.e. band pictures or update ensembles. Also she would like to know where on the website to put information like upcoming events or the calendar. Lorna D is working with her on the site. The new email server will allow members to send email to each other and not everybody. James sent a suggested survey to board members to gather more information.

MOVED by Lorna Devan and SECONDED by Cathy Brown-Payne that James Burrett go forward with a survey to the members regarding their preferences for emailsCARRIED

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4.4 Christmas Concert Wrap Up - Lorna D. and Margaret Seabrook

Heather Thompson addressed Traditional Indigenous Territories and reconciliation issues in her opening comments at the concert. Discussion on this followed regarding i.e. maybe not the environment for it. It was agreed the concert was too long. We raised approx. \$7800, and after costs of approx. \$2,200, we should clear over \$5,500. Water sales raised about \$80. Suggestion was made that we auction baskets at the dances for fundraising purposes.

4.5 Method Book Specific to Each Instrument - John Topic

John has talked to Gord and he feels that we have enough books for now. He has told coaches that they can bring in exercises if they want to, but we do not need to have members buy new books at this point.

4.6 Percussionist Meeting Follow Up – Bob Orrett, John Topic

John read a letter that was sent to Mark and the Board endorsed the recommendation that half of each sectional be devoted to technique for the various percussion instruments. Percussionists all received a copy of the recommendations.

4.7 Calendar Checklist - Margaret Seabrook

As a follow-up to Roger's action item at the last meeting, we have asked Margaret to start a calendar of all relevant dates for certain jobs or actions that must be taken. Margaret asked that the Board make her aware of any dates for this calendar. It should also include dates established by the conductors. They would like a copy.

4.8 Invitation to Roger Bresee to Explain Financial Situation

Roger has tentatively agreed to answer questions at a lunch meeting on January 9th. It will be questions and answers and costs for new band..... **Board agreed**

4.9 Key to Instrument Room - Gord will make a copy of the key for Margaret Allen.

5. Board Reports – Previously Distributed

5.1 Treasurer's Report – no report

5.2 Dialogue Committee Report - John Topic

Conductors have provided input to the planning process for a sixth band and/or reorganization.

5.3 Social Committee and CPR - Margaret Seabrook

Margaret reported she has not heard back from Personal Touch regarding the April 6th Spring social. Also she sent email to see who wants to continue with the CPR training. There are 7 new ones. \$600 has been approved for the training.

5.4 Publicity Committee – Lots of publicity went out for the concert.

6. Ongoing Business

6.1 Peterborough City Grant - Cathy Brown-Payne and Al Brunger

The grant proposal has been submitted. We asked for \$15,000 annually for 3 years for a new band. We have 47 new green band people. Thank you to Cathy and Alan for all their work on this.

6.2 Concert Manager Position – Alan Brunger and Brenda Bock

Al will contact Earle over the break, to give us a To Do list, and the committee will divide up the jobs and needs. This needs to start in the New Year. We need to know the date of the Nov/Dec concert to book Calvary Church. We have a job description for the Concert

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Manager position which needs to be updated. We will advertise for the position after we know what we want.

6.3 Beneficiary for Spring Concert

Brenda has agreed to spearhead this. She has the application of the form as filled out by last year's beneficiary. John suggested that Brenda could contact the list to see who is interested. It was agreed to trim the list of beneficiaries to the Alzheimer Association, Humane Society, and MS Society, in no particular order.

7. Other Business

Sectional Dates - Jan 16 and 23 and Jan 30 & Feb 6th

Winterlude Date – Feb 27th

8. Date of Next meeting - tentative - Wednesday, Jan. 9, 2019 lunch meeting with Roger.

9. Adjournment

MOVED by Cliff Ballantyne that the meeting be adjourned.....CARRIED