

**PETERBOROUGH NEW HORIZONS BANDS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, DECEMBER 8, 2021**

Present: John Topic, Angela Con, Mary Chesher, Sherri Luff, Lorna Devan, Lorna Verhulst, Alan Brunger, David Lloyd came later

Conductor: Representative – Jon Knights – could not attend

- **Conflict of Interest – none declared**
- **Approval of Minutes of the November 10th Meeting**
Lorna Devan moved to accept the minutes as emailed out.

Angela Con seconded the motion

All in Favor

Carried

- **Chair's Remarks**

There is still a lot of uncertainty about COVID. We will have this space available to us as long as we are not shut down again. The microwave would be allowed if the city looks at it and approves. The scooter is not a viable option. The government has changed the rules around Non-Profit organizations. There is 3 years to conform but it may be wise to get a lawyer to look at the new guidelines to make sure we are doing all that we should.

- **Conductors' Report**

The conductors want to do a Winterlude in February. We have discussed and passed a motion regarding getting tested before returning to band if members are travelling. Their salary was discussed and David Lloyd will be contacted about this. We will consider their suggestion about 5 bands rather than 6 in February. Green band will begin in February with sectionals for 1 hour per week plus one hour of playing.

5. Treasurer's Report – David Lloyd was unable to attend.

5.1 Fees

John sent out a possible fee schedule for 2022. It was discussed how to calculate it appropriately and John will recalculate it.

5.2 Q Trade Transfer of Trading Authority.

John Topic has looked into this and David Lloyd has been in contact with them. He now has the password and has been able to look into our account.

5.3 West Side Story Advance

John authorized the deposit for our members to attend

6. Business Arising from the November 10th Meeting.

6.1 Nominating Committee

Alan Brunger moved that Angela Con be a candidate for president of the PNH Board of Directors.

Lorna Verhulst seconded the motion

All in Favor

Carried

Alan Brunger moved that the President's term be 2 years.

Sherri Luff seconded the motion.

It gives a mandate to look at succession planning.

All in Favor

Carried

Alan Brunger moved that we institute a President in waiting to succeed the current president after his or her term of 2 years.

This motion was tabled.

Mary Chesher suggested that we need to fill the vacancy on the Board from our members.

Alan and the Nominating Committee have been trying to get a member from Allegro.

John will remain on the Board as Past President

6.2 Update on Navy Club Contacts and Renovations

There have been some problems with parking, parking lot salting and clearing and opening the building

The City person has assured us that some work will be done on the other room.

We discussed how to handle weather emergency cancellations. We will not get charged if we had to cancel. Gord and Mark will be asked if they can make that decision.

6.3 Winterlude

This has been voted on and will take place in February. There are details to work out but we can do this closer to the time. Calvary will be rented as we are going to have all the bands there.

Norma and Renee will organize things.

Other people will be allowed to play in more than one band with an invitation from the conductor. Each band will not exceed 40 members.

6.4 Portfolios

Angela feels we will need to have someone take over the Property portfolio. Phillip assisted her in getting the inventory listed with serial numbers. We will have to decide if we want to continue renting equipment. The Property Manager does not have to be on the Board. Alan and Lorna feel we should get out of the rental business for the more common instruments and only rent less common instruments such as bass instruments.

Alan Brunger will draft a motion related to the current instruments we have available for use by PNHB members.

Angela will speak to Mark Hiscox to get his input.

6.5 Green Band Recruiting –

Lorna Devan has been in contact with Cliff Ballantyne on Green Band. Cogeco will be filming Dynamics on Friday and Mark will be talking about the recruitment of Green Band members. Lorna has asked the radio station 96.7 to announce about Green Band Recruiting. She will also work on getting an interview on CHEX.

6.6 Covid and Travel

Mary told us about the uncertainty regarding travel.. A concern has been expressed about people travelling. Sherri will write up a paragraph for our members to read regarding travel and our policy. Mary has refined the statement that each member will initial.

7. New Business

7.1 Letter from James Burrett

Angela responded to him regarding where some of the instruments are. John and Angela made some suggestions to him and they will continue to see if they can get him a Bari Sax.

8. Other Business

Lorna suggested we send a thank you note for the Concert Band for the use of their stands,

Mary brought up about the mess of the floor and the flies. John will check on getting cleaning done. Part of the Covid practise is cleaning. The floors should be washed quite regularly.

Alan met with Andrew Pyle. He is willing to help us with the Spring concert.

9. Date of Next Meeting

January 12th at 4 pm at the Navy Club

10. Adjournment

Lorna Devan moved to adjourn the meeting.