

## **PNHB Board of Directors Meeting**

**April 13, 2022 via Zoom**

**The meeting will be chaired by Lorna Verhulst**

**Present:** John Topic, Lorna Verhulst, Lorna Devan, Mary Chesher, Alan Brunger, Cindy Babcock, Sherri Luff

**Regrets:** Angela Con

**Conductor Representative:** Jon Knights

- **Conflict of Interest** – none declared

- **Minutes of March 16, 2022**

**John Topic moved to accept the minutes of March 16, 2022**

**Mary Chesher seconded the motion**

**All in Favor**

**Carried**

- **President's Update**

Sherri spoke with Angela on the phone and she seems to be doing as well as can be expected. She has received word that she can go home soon so that is making her feel much better.

- **Conductor's Report**

Jon shared the conductors' viewpoint regarding the end of the year concert. They would like to have some guests invited besides just the bands. They would favor an outside performance if that was possible. Weather could be problematic so a rain date would be needed. If it is done at Calvary like a Winterlude the best date is Wednesday, June 1<sup>st</sup> or Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup> at 10 or 10:30 am. Mark has not committed his Green Band to performing. It will depend on how they are doing by that time. We will have to investigate whether Calvary is available. Our COVID policy will be in place which includes mask wearing.

- **Treasurer's Update**

David Lloyd was unable to attend the meeting

John will speak to David to see if he can do a monthly report and send information out to the Ensembles.

- **Business Arising From The Last Meeting**

- **Contracts with St. Alphonsus and Navy Club**

At this point we do not have a contract with the Navy Club. This will be negotiated soon for our usage of it during May. We do have a

contract with St. Alphonsus for March and April. St. Alphonsus has treated us very well. The City has stated they will deduct the rent we had to pay to St. Alphonsus for April from our rent with them in May.

- **Navy Club Renovation**

The City meets with the contractors each Tuesday. It has been reported that things are moving along. It is expected that we will be able to move back in on April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022 and resume practising at the Navy Club on Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022. The washrooms in the main building may not be ready so we will need to go to the other building if they are required.

### **6.3 Mini Concert**

Whether we can book Calvary will be the determining factor of when to hold our mini-concert. John will ask Renee Paul, the concert manager, to be in touch with Calvary ASAP.

- **Green Band Recruitment Day**

This will be held on Monday, June 6<sup>th</sup> at the Navy Club. Lorna Devan will begin publicizing this event on the radio, TV station, in the newspaper, on Facebook and on the website.

- **Dialogue Committee**

Lorna will be phoning each of the conductors and coaches to discuss how things are going for them and if they have any concerns or questions.

### **6.6 Budget for New Music**

The conductors would like to purchase new music. There is funding in the City Grant and general reserves to provide for these purchases.

**Sherri Luff moved to provide \$500 per conductor to purchase new music. This money must be spent by September, 2022.**

**John Topic seconded the motion.**

**All in Favor**

**Carried**

- **Grant Updates**

Cindy has not received word on the Platinum Jubilee Grant she applied for. Alan reported that the New Horizons Grant was extended until the end of November. This money is to be spent on PPE.

- **Percussion Equipment**

Lorna Devan organized for the percussion equipment to be moved from St. Alphonsus to the Navy Club on April 29, 2022. John will confirm all the details with the Navy Club.

- **Instrument Depreciation**

This will be discussed at the next meeting

- **New Business**

## **7.2 .Peterborough Musical Arts Hub**

This organization is looking for a venue for several musical organizations, including us, that a cost sharing arrangement could be organized. John Topic and Mary Chesher have attended meetings on our behalf. They may try to incorporate as an umbrella organization. It is hoped that we can rent or lease a space. There is a presentation hosted by Catherine Bouchard that John could arrange for us to hear. They may ask us to endorse the concept and give some money to assist them in incorporating. We agreed that we should invite Catherine to present to us in the early fall.

- **All Other Business**

- **Rehearsals on Monday**

A member has requested that we consider not having band practises on Monday given the number of times a statutory holiday is on that day. Considerations that need to occur if a change were to be made are whether the conductors can reschedule things to another day, and whether there is availability given the number of bands and ensembles we have. This issue will be discussed again at a later date as once we have both buildings at the Navy Club available it may no longer be an issue.

- **Conductors**

It has been expressed by some members that Jon and Gord alternating each week is not working well. This will be relayed to both of these conductors.

- **Directors**

A member has expressed an interest to Mary Chesher about becoming a member of the Board of Directors. This name was given to Alan Brunger for follow up.

- **Next Meeting**

Our next meeting will be Wednesday May 11, 2022 at 7 pm via ZOOM.

- **Adjournment**

**Cindy Babcock moved to adjourn the meeting**