

Fraser Valley Community Winds – Annual General Meeting 23rd of February 2017

Attendees

Adam Pardy
Anna Kyle
Brittany Jenewein
Carrie Plantirga
Dan Johnstone
Dan Thiele
Dave Roberts
David Ford
Debbie Dorombozi
Emma Kreisch
Gary Tillack
Jamie Imai
Jordan Bull
Jun Chae
Kiera Hamm
Kirsten Johnstone
Kyle Herrewynen
Lia Dengler
Marc Schioven
Marian Balint
Mary Kreisch
Nelly Fargeon
Rhonda Stobbe
Stephen Campbell
Sylvia Rempel
Wendy Snyder

Agenda

1. Acceptance of 2016 AGM Minutes
2. President's Report
3. Treasurer's Report
4. Director's Report
5. Election of the 2017 Executive
6. Other Business

The meeting was called to order at 2035

1. Acceptance of the 2016 AGM Minutes

The minutes of the 2016 AGM were reviewed by members and a motion to accept was moved by Dave Ford and seconded by Emma. Passed unanimously.

2. President's Report

Wendy presented the President's Report to the band (see attached). The band had an amazing year and continues to grow both in numbers as well as musically. For these reasons, we consider ourselves to be the premiere community band in the Fraser Valley. The band now has thirty-eight members (six new members since our last AGM) and continues to grow. While our numbers have increased the band dynamic has generally remained intact as we are bonded by our mutual love of playing music. The band is determined to remain welcoming to new members, grow musically, and become a bigger presence in the community. While we are no longer playing at the Mt. Lehman Fall Fair we will be reaching out to the community and increasing our social media presence. Wendy thanked Rhonda for taking on the role as Treasurer and helping to reorganize our finances. Thanks to everyone for making our band awesome.

3. Treasurer's Report

Rhonda presented the Treasurer's Report to the band (see attached). We've had a pretty good year overall. Our net income for the year was approximately \$2400.00 but does not include recent membership dues. Membership dues make up the bulk of the band's income although we have received money for our performances, from the Bingo Association, and from private donations. The band did spend money on a second storage unit for the band's music library that had to be moved suddenly but the band hopes that the remaining music will fit into our existing storage unit soon. The band also spent money on liability insurance and to rent venues. Luckily, the band was able to secure donations to fix the baritone saxophone (twice). Rhonda deserves kudos for being updating the band's financial system into the 21st century, switching to online banking, and adding a PayPal account.

4. Director's Report

Greg presented his Director's Report to the band (see attached). This is Greg's fifth year with the band and he is very happy with the way the band has progressed under his tenure. Not only has the band grown in numbers but in quality (which isn't always the case). Greg was chuffed at how well we played at our Concert in the Park playing Holst and Granger beautifully. Greg has high hopes for our ticketed concert; that our performance will do well and be well received in the community.

Stephan proposed acceptance of the President's Report, the Treasurer's Report, and the Director's Report; this was seconded by Nelly, and passed by everyone.

5. Election of the 2017 Executive

The outgoing executive presented a proposed slate for the new executive. The elections for the executive went as follows:

- President: Wendy Snyder
- Treasurer: Rhonda Stobbe
- Secretary: Kirsten Johnstone

- Directors: Dave Ford
Stephen Campbell
Mary Kreisch

Motion to accept the slate as proposed by Dan; this was seconded by Sylvia. Motion carried.

The band would like to thank Kirsten for taking on the role as Secretary and to Emma for her service these past years.

6. Other Business

The floor was opened to the membership for questions. Dave Ford invited players to join his brass quintet (even woodwinds) and encouraged band members to form their own ensembles (the more groups the merrier just don't be exclusionary). He also reminded the band that he has access to a lot of ensemble music through his connections with other schools. Nelly brought forth a few points to the band. First, that she has found a help person for our ticketed gig in April and will do her utmost to fill the other spots needed with her theatre connections. Second, that while we are purging our music library, that the band will be keeping the cool/kid friendly tunes. The answer is yes. Thirdly, that the band should plan a social event where we can all hang out together. The band should definitely plan something; maybe after the Spring Concert? Stephen would like to reinvest the band's investment money which is currently sitting stagnant. Rhonda will go to the bank and look into our options. Greg would like the band's practices to start a little earlier and end a little later at least until the Spring Concert has finished.

Meeting adjourned 2126.