

Minute of RSPBA Dundee, Perth and Angus Branch

Sunday 2nd February 2020

Glencarse Village Hall,

7:00pm

Ser	Discussions	Actions	Completed
1.	<u>Chairman's Welcome</u> Welcome to meeting, IF chaired the meeting in the absence of P MacAndrew		
2.	<u>Attendance:</u> Gary Mair (GM), Iain Findlay (IF), Alistair Duthie (AMD), Alison Duthie (AFD), Irene Black (IB), , Gillie McNab (GMcN)		
(b)	<u>Apologies:</u> Jim Mills (JM), Kathleen Mitchell (KM) Paul MacAndrew (PM), Ian Hughes (IH), David Hunter (DH) Willie Tait (WT),		
3.	<u>Previous Minute:</u> Proposed: Gary Mair Seconded: Alistair Duthie		
4.	<u>Matters Arising:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Church (Dundee) ongoing re tuning area for outdoor competition in May. 10% Levy from Pitlochry has been received. Invertay monies have been received not the bank from 2019, 2020 monies to be in bank before competition this year – Dundee Outdoor. Lochore – GM has spoken with committee, going ahead in the same format this year as last year, with same prize money. Pat Wheelan to be invited to meeting of 15th March, GM to make contact. Costings for 2020 RSPBA Summer School - £150 for Summer School (Piping) £120 for Tenor as they are there for 3 days – email DPA Branch sponsors – GM Branch November Solo Competition - £377.00 profit, certificates were still to be paid £72.00. 	<p>PMac</p> <p>GM</p> <p>GM</p> <p>GM</p>	
5.	<u>Board of Directors:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Views of splitting a tie at World Drumming champs: How to split? Results will come in, the amount of years experience of the Judges will be the deciding factor, the one who has the most years experience will decide the final position. 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dates of the Majors – June – two in June – Complaint from a band. Are you happy with the dates of the Majors? AFD has put forward re British Championship being the same weekend as Atholl Highlanders Weekend and that to try and avoid this weekend for a Major as it effects quite a few bands. HQ Building – OSCR are enquiring into how HQ went about getting the architect, Directors had to go back to branches and ask if there were any architect within the bands - Euan Whitmore asked his work to come in and look at what was required, 5/6 contractors tendered for building work – historic Scotland involved between the two organisations came up with the final build. Branch meetings should be two weeks after a directors meeting, so that minutes are available to all at the same time with same information. GM to write to HQ regarding getting copies. If Ian Embleton (Chief Executive) is going out to represent our organisation, he should be given a briefing pack, and he will be encouraged not to divert from this information at any time no matter what the circumstances are. Directors require to be professional, this is to be encouraged more. <p>Proposed: Gillie McNab Seconder: Irene Black</p>		
6.	<p><u>Education:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nothing to report 		
7.	<p><u>Media:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nothing to report 		
8.	<p><u>Treasurers Report:</u></p> <p>Treasurer A/C 141 - £44.83 Business Insttant Access 257 -£1568.12 Treasurer No3 - £4725.30 Petty Cash - £26.61</p> <p>Outreach – Bands that have not paid – Mull & Iona, Perth & District, Lochgelly, Mackenzie, Stockbridge, Joshua Reilly, - GM to email all band</p> <p>High School of Dundee not cashed their chq from last May. IB to cancel check</p> <p>IB to send Invoice to the council for the night lights</p>	<p>GM</p> <p>IB</p> <p>IB</p>	

	<p>Proposer: Alistair Duthie Seconder: Gillie McNab</p>		
<p>9.</p>	<p><u>Music Board:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AD gave report of previous meeting of 11th January 2020 • Due to Ian Embletons situation – Still changing policies document on Social Media, AD passed on P&D policy as a guide to Pat Wheelan & Kevin Reilly • Expecting Band Secretaries to make sure their bands are behaving properly on the park . • Each Band to have a Constitution, Band Policy and to produce each year – Document to be drawn up as a guide to other bands. Work in progress. • AD wrote an email to Kevin Reilly regarding “Is it not about time the RSPBA started defending their corner” – Regarding the Newspaper articles and FB, The FB site is actually taking people to Business site. • Board Of Directors feedback – realignment has been stopped, lot of work put in but can see why it has been stopped, 3A 3B Medley timings. • Prize money at Tenor competition to be aligned with all other competitions. Various discussions were had, decision to be forthcoming. • Board Of Directors are to keep an eye on Alcohol consumption on the park, there is a clause to be added to entry forms and signed by bands, first offence fine will be £50 and will progress (increase in price every time that same band is caught)as season goes on. • P Brown and T Brown from the Piping College attended MB meeting with Powerpoint Presentation very good, however some of the ideas were a bit far fetched. • What is the remit of the Pipe Band College- AD asked? • Ratified sub groups for this year – S MQuillan took over from Mick O’Neill on MB • Pipe Majors in G4 if they have tunes they want to play put them forward and J Wark and committee will look at the suggestions. • Gradings of the bands – further lists of bands were discussed for up/down grading. • Registration date cut-off to be looked at in due course. Trying to have a part on registration 		

	<p>form to say which bands you've played for, for last 5 years.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Card Registration System to be introduced • Competition Format document – AD been working on it • New group (Format Group)– Julie Brinklow, Steve McQuillan, Alistair Duthie, Thereasa Brown. The document working off was out of date by 14 years. Ongoing • Minimum playing requirement, why is there not a maximum playing requirement? Been ongoing for some time. • R Mathieson wants to come along to another MB meeting • Changes for the following years playing requirements will be in the Worlds programme, at the same time it will go live on Social Media. There will be a policy introduced. <p>Proposer: Gary Mair Seconder: Irene Black</p>		
	<p><u>Correspondence:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jason Lafferty – Web design, annual costs, nothing has been received from Jason regarding costs for this year. Three of the branch bands have paid their levy, before price increase. • Red Cross – cannot do Dundee outdoor competition, GM spoke to First Aid provision at Night lights in Perth – they are looking to help. • Secretary Perth Games – Sent an email regarding playing at Perth Games Massed Bands with one of our bands – agreed by all present. 	GM	
11.	<p><u>AOCB</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entry forms for Branch Competitions are attached to the back of the previous minutes handed out tonight. Easier for Jason to load onto website/social as one document rather than individually. • Format at the indoor competition to be discussed at the March meeting. Suggestion to have bands with backs to glass with stage at the right hand side. Put out as separate document nearer the time. • March branch meeting – discussion on constitution if any proposed changes, you can propose changes at any meeting but cannot vote on until branch AGM. • GM to Email branch bands to say he can take proxy votes to AGM, All bands must email Gayle 	GM	

	<p>at HQ to let her know that GM is carrying their bands vote at the AGM.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Registration – If there is a Piper playing in a band in G4 in Canada playing at a competition two weeks before the worlds, and then play with a band over here, can they do this? Put in as a new sign in, can sign just now, the Canadian band will be affiliated. Put through as new registration with UK address staying at.		
	<p>Meeting closed at: 20:47 Date of next meeting – Sunday 15th March 2020</p>		

Approved