

“H” DIVISION PIPES AND DRUMS SOCIETY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Sunday, April 3, 2016
Minutes as prepared by Yvonne Leduc

1. Call to Order – Meeting was called to order at 14:10 by Heather Pomeroy
2. Welcoming Remarks – Chair welcomed all present and confirmed presence of a quorum to conduct the meeting.
3. Approval of Agenda – Moved by Kevin MacDonald. 2nd Donald Margeson. Carried.
4. Approval of Previous AGM (2015) Minutes – The minutes were distributed by E-mail and did not require to be read. Moved by Al Shepherd. 2nd Ron Caldwell. Carried.
5. **Reports** – *Pipe Major*: Heather Pomeroy, PM gave a power point covering:
 - Overview and confirmation of the band’s purpose and mandate.
 - Review of the 2015 activities, including World Curling, Apple Blossom, Antigonish Highland Games, Concert on the Bus, Cole Harbour, Musical Ride, Nova Scotia Fallen Peace Officers Memorial, Cruise Ships, a trip to Holland for the 70th anniversary of the Liberation, Edinburgh Tattoo, Remembrance week and the Diaga Concert.
 - The band did **101** performances during the year with a total of **7950** volunteer hours. The band has **60-70** personnel including **41** dressed, 17 Pipers, 14 Sides, 5 Tenors, 2 Bass and 3 Drum Majors. Also **6** members of the flag party and **20** dancers
 - Outlook for 2016: Germany – cancelled, Apple Blossom, Saint Pierre-200th Anniversary of return to France, Antigonish Highland Games, Natal Day, PEI- Gold Cup Parade, Concerts by bus and Local parades.
 - Some of the ongoing challenges were membership/recruitments, meeting demand, management/support, uniform/equipment, future event sourcing and cruise ships.
 - We will continue with the same practice instruction, format and frequency.
 - The PM also talked about the concern of recruiting, especially of pipers. Anyone that knows of any please give their name to the PM.
 - Overall – Part of the National group of 7 bands. We want to continue being one of the best both with sound and visual.

Treasurer Mac Fyfe presented a power point of the bands position as of December 31, 2015.

• Cash in bank, December 31, 2014	\$27,349.00
• Cash in bank December 31,2015	\$40,746.00
• Plus 3 GIC’s, value Jan 23, 2016	\$27,490.00
• Deposit with TD for Visa	<u>\$7,500.00</u>
• Total cash available December 31, 2015	<u>\$75,736.00</u>

(report attached)

Band Manager: Michael Sears absent, no formal report.

6. *Motion to approve reports as presented:* Moved by Angela Corscadden. 2nd Ross Whyte. Carried.

7 *Nomination Committee Report:* (Written report submitted)

Heather Pomeroy gave a presentation from the nomination committee consisting of Heather Pomeroy, Allan Rogers, Donald Margeson and Brian Duncan. The Nomination Committee recommended that the following members of the Society be elected as Directors by the membership:

- Heather Pomeroy
- Wayne Moug
- Angela Corscadden
- Yvonne Leduc
- Forest (“Mac”) Fyfe
- Kevin MacDonald
- Donald Margeson
- Bill Pritchard
- Allan Rogers
- Michael Sears
- Denis Stairs
- Dancer Representative – Andrea Salisbury
- Aileen Davis and Tina Gripton (Co-Directors as Head Dancers)

The Committee further recommends that the following be elected as Officers:

- Heather Pomeroy – Chair
- Wayne Moug – Vice-Chair
- Yvonne Leduc – Secretary
- Mac Fyfe – Treasurer
- Allan Rogers - Band Executive Designate (position is ratified)

Heather motioned to have the report accepted and approved, 2nd Jim Gillis. Carried

8 *Elections:* Call for nominations from the floor. As none were forthcoming, the chair called for the acceptance of the directors as presented, 2nd by Jim Gillis. Carried. Called for the election of officers as presented, 2nd Jim Gillis. Carried

9 *Honours and Awards:* Kevin MacDonald introduced the honours and awards committee as Bev Nimmo, Alan Rogers and himself. He then went on to explain the awards.

Distinguished Service Award – Donald Margeson, DSgt

Taylor-Graham-Gillis Espirit de Corps Award – Denis Stairs and Chris Wallace

Moug Margeson Fir Granite Award -Heather Pomeroy, PM and Aileen Davis

Motion to Adjourn Nancy Muise.