

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

December 6, 2012

Querney's Office Plus Boardroom

Present: D. Petryna, M. Dorreen, L. Desrochers, J. Querney, J. Arrowsmith (left at 5:50 p.m.), G. MacAusland, G. Haddad, G. Babij, K. Young

Regrets: J. Rodriguez, C. Leonard, D. Cattapan

1. Call to order

Meeting was called to order by D. Petryna at 5:35 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion: To approve Agenda of December 6, 2012 Board Meeting.

Moved by: J. Querney

Seconded by: G. Haddad

Carried

3. Review of the Minutes of the November 8, 2012 Board Meeting

4. Approval of Minutes of November 8, 2012 Board Meeting

Motion: To approve Minutes of November 8, 2012 Board Meeting.

Moved by: G. Haddad

Seconded by: J. Querney

Carried

5. Business Arising from Last Board Meeting and Minutes

None

6. Treasurer's Report

G. Babij presented the Treasurer's Report. Overall, cash is down year to year. Concert income is down in all categories. Occasional musician monies have been over budget so far.

The conservatory of music is ahead of budget. Ontario Arts Council funding has arrived. TD receivables are still pending, while investments are fine.

A revised forecast was presented, showing a break even year based on several assumptions.

Fundraising issues were discussed. Can we attract SSO musicians to attend the annual gala? What type of gala raffle prizes are expected?

D. Petryna stresses sponsorship as the preferred method of bringing in income.

Motion: To approve Treasurer's Report of the December 6, 2012 Board Meeting.

Moved by: J. Querney

Seconded by: G. Haddad

Carried

7. Executive Director's Report

The written Executive Director's report was presented. Discussion in respect of money, positive steps in application/grant process, and filling concerts.

G. Haddad indicated that next year's season will be lost costly from a programming perspective.

Motion: To approve the written report of the Executive Director as presented at the December 6, 2012 Board Meeting.

Moved by: G. Haddad

Seconded by: J. Querney

Carried

8. Other Committees

a. Musician Retention

Committee met. V. Jacobs indicated that next steps were to establish a database of musicians and a transparent audition process. Other ideas included inviting local musicians to play on Tuesday nights, add a wind and brass representative to the programming committee, and continue to improve musician recognition and record keeping.

Motion: That the Musician Retention Committee Report of the December 6, 2012 Board Meeting be approved

Moved by: G. Haddad

Seconded by: J. Querney

Carried

b. Fundraising

Previously discussed. Need to develop further/concurrent ideas and take more steps to engage potential donors. Porketta bingo at Laurentian University was discussed and seen as positive.

The spring raffle needs to be developed.

c. Sponsorship

Committee met and will be revising a sponsorship package.

Motion: That the Sponsorship Committee Report of the December 6, 2012 Board Meeting be approved

Moved by: J. Querney

Seconded by: G. Haddad

Carried

d. Newsletter

K. Young discussed future of newsletter. Board felt that the newsletter was an excellent source of information, and moreover, that the content could be repurposed in other outlets. A printed newsletter is still desirable.

K. Young indicated that a mini newsletter will be sent out shortly.

9. In camera

No discussion.

10. New Business

G. MacAusland may explore a future event for musicians to meet board members.

G. Babij indicated that a budget for future shows was needed. D. Cattapan may already be working on it.

11. Next Meeting – January 10, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.

12. Adjournment.

Motion: That the Adjournment of the Board Meeting of December 6, 2012 at 6:37 p.m. be approved.

Moved by: J. Querney

Seconded by: G. Haddad

Carried