

**MINUTES OF THE CMA GENERAL MEETING -
held at the Ramada Inn Downtown December 2nd, 2013**

PRESENT

Allistair Elliott – President
Rob McCosh - Vice President
Doug Kuss - Secretary Treasurer

Executive Committee

Kit Johnson, Mike Little, Jim Scott

ABSENT

Jeff Fafard (resigned)

The meeting is called to order at 6:15 P.M.

MINUTES

The President notes that minutes from the last General Meeting and intervening Executive Committee meetings are available at the back of the meeting room.
m/s/c - to dispense with the reading of the minutes.

ATTENDANCE REPORT

There are 10 members in attendance, which does not constitute a quorum. The meeting continues as informational only.

COMMUNICATIONS (Elliott)

NOTICES OF MOTION

The S.T. reviews the proposed Tariff of Fees and Bylaw Notices of Motion and answers questions from the members present. A Special Meeting will be scheduled to deal with the changes.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance (Johnson) – reports on the November 12th meeting with the committee. Their observations are that the Association is in a good financial position allowing the Board flexibility in their initiatives and that the financial checks and balances are in place.

Stan Brown Benevolent Fund (Kuss for Worton) - reports on the Fund activity since the May 27th, General Meeting. There have been three applications for assistance. Current Fund balance is \$1388.61. Grant Lowry has been appointed to the committee. President Elliott reports on discussions for a proposed fundraiser.

Music Performance Fund (Kuss) - reports on the 2013/14 allocation year to date. The payroll is \$15,506.90, with \$6699.81 in MPF co-sponsorship grants; 26 projects have been approved, which is 96 musician gigs with 23 CMA members participating. The new allocation has MPF grant rates set at 30% for concerts; 40% for hospitals, nursing homes and assisted living facilities and 50% for schools. The S.T. answers questions from the members present.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Promotion and Membership (Little) – reports on the committee's activities including updating our social media profile with links to our website, initiating partnerships and member discounts.

SECRETARY TREASURER'S REPORT (Kuss)

The Secretary Treasurer discusses the Financial Review for the 2012/13 fiscal year as presented in the October newsletter. Membership numbers are running ahead of the same period last year. He reports on various Association activities since the last General Meeting, which includes

continued activity with local theatre groups; ratification of the Red Deer Symphony and Folk Festival agreements and an update on the pending Citytv agreement. The S.T. answers questions from the members present.

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

Grant Lowry is presented with his Life Membership pin and scroll. Hazel Proctor, Sheldon Nadler, Derek Krogh and Kathy Grigoriu are also recognized as recent recipients.

NOTICES OF MOTION/NEW BUSINESS/QUESTIONS

The Oath of Office is administered to the incoming Executive Committee by former President and S.T., Mark Johnson.

GOOD & WELFARE (Kuss)

The S.T. reports on births, deaths and hospitalizations since the last General Meeting.

The meeting adjourns at 7:35 P.M.

Allistair Elliott, President

Doug Kuss, Secretary Treasurer