



**Saskatchewan Music Festival Association  
Annual General Meeting  
November 5, 2011**

1. The meeting was called to order at 12:10 pm by President Joy McFarlane-Burton.
2. O Canada was sung, led by Anita Kuntz. A minute of silence was observed in memory of Jean Martin and Mossie Hancock, both Honorary Life Members of SMFA.
3. Joy McFarlane-Burton appointed Gail Mergen as recording secretary.

**Motion: Nancy Toppings/ Nancy Wilkins to accept the Agenda as circulated.  
CARRIED**

4. Sandra Senga conducted the Roll Call. 21 of 49 District Festivals were represented, including: Assiniboia, The Battlefords, Carnduff, Central Sask, Estevan, Kindersley, Kipling, Maple Creek, Meadow Lake, Melfort, Moosomin, Naicam, Quill Plains, Regina, Rosetown, Sask Valley, Saskatoon, Swift Current, Twin Rivers, Unity, Watrous.
5. President Joy McFarlane-Burton informed delegates that minutes of the 2010 AGM begin on page 10 of the 2011 Annual Report.

**Motion: Pam Dechief/Lana Bourgeois to accept the minutes as printed. CARRIED**

6. Business Arising from the Minutes

- a) Finance Report – presented by Karen MacCallum.

**Motion: Karen MacCallum/Elaine Poirier to accept the Finance Report as printed. CARRIED**

**Motion: Marg Andres/ Karen Unger to appoint R. G. Blakley Accounting as the Auditor for the fiscal year 2010/11. CARRIED**

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Karen MacCallum answered questions on Financial Statement details

- Page 60 – accounts payable is scholarship money
  - Page 60 – accounts receivable is affiliation fees due from festivals
  - Office rent is \$880./month for a 2-bedroom residential apartment, very reasonable compared to commercial space.
  - Page 66 – provincial office supplies is high because of move
  - Annual report was high in 2010 because of anniversary year printing.
  - Travel lottery money is not included. See page 64, note 6.
- b) Annual Report – presented by Joy McFarlane-Burton. Joy extended thanks to Board members for their diligence and work.
- c) Adjudicator Liaison Report – Doris Covey Lazecki presented the report found on page 19 of the Annual Report. She thanked the District Festivals for timely submission of forms.

#### 7. New Business

- a) Concerto Competition will be held November 19, 2011 in Convocation Hall, Saskatoon, with 12 competitors but one withdrew.
- b) Wallis Opera Competition will be held February 25, 26 in Convocation Hall, Saskatoon. Registration is not complete.
- c) Provincial Finals will be held at the U of S, Saskatoon June 1 to 3, 2012.
- d) National Music Festival 2012 Competition will occur in August 2012 in Fort McMurray, AB.
- e) Syllabus Changes were outlined by Sandra Kerr:
- Class 1181 is now a Provincial Class for Grade B Voice, with a new scholarship.
  - Percussion equipment list for Nationals will be published.

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Directory changes are as follows:

- Test pieces will be allowed in own choice or recital classes.
- Recorded professional accompaniment will be allowed for School Music classes only.
- Digital piano is acceptable for accompanying; piano setting must be used, transpose function can be utilized.
- SMFA- sanctioned photography is the only photography allowed.
- Public domain websites are not always a reliable source of information on what is in the public domain. Music for festival purposes should be researched by a local music store.

8) Affiliation Fees – Karen MacCallum provided background on the history of fee increases. FCMF fee increases have been continuously absorbed by SMFA, as provincial affiliation fees have not been raised since 2003. SMFA cannot continue to assimilate these costs, so must also steadily increase SMFA affiliation fees. This is a catch-up year.

**Motion: Anita Kuntz/ Gail Mergen that the Saskatchewan Music Festival Association raise affiliation fees for each District Festival by \$1.00 per entry, from \$3.50 per entry to \$4.50 per entry, effective for the 2013 festival year. CARRIED**

9) Fundraising – fundraising is now a necessity for all non-profit organizations. Draws were made for the SMFA Travel Lottery:

- Spa weekend for two at Temple Gardens Mineral Spa, Moose Jaw  
Winner: Ticket # 1467 Darren Teneycke, 74 Marquis Cres. East, Yorkton, SK.  
Phone: 306-782-6103 Email [dtenevcke@mail.gssd.ca](mailto:dtenevcke@mail.gssd.ca)
- Disneyland Trip for four  
Winner: Ticket #1523 Carol Stang, Box 751, Macklin, SK. Phone: 306-753-9304  
Email: [stupeel@hotmail.com](mailto:stupeel@hotmail.com)

10) Greetings from Representative Organizations – greetings were brought from SRMTA, by Lauren Kells, and from CMFAA by Joy McFarlane-Burton.

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11) Website Update - Carol Donhauser outlined the benefits of the SMFA website since its inception, such as better communication to festivals and the public, lower costs, convenience, and less mailing. An update of the current website will coincide with the new syllabus in 2013; please forward any suggestions.

12) **Motion: Penny Joynt/Robin Swales to ratify decisions of the Board from the past fiscal year. CARRIED**

13) Election: Karen MacCallum outlined the two 3-year positions available and each festival's eligibility to vote. Anita Kuntz and Karen Unger were nominated by the nominating committee. Karen MacAllum called three times for further nominations.

**Motion: Robyn Rutherford/Kathy Strutt moved nominations cease. CARRIED**

Anita Kuntz and Karen Unger were re-elected and elected respectively, by acclamation, and introduced themselves to the meeting.

14) 2012 Sask Music Conference will be held at the Saskatoon Inn.

15) Best Festival Program Award was presented to Yorkton Music Festival.

16) Attendance Awards (Subway cards) were presented to all district festivals in attendance at Fall Conference for 10 consecutive years.

17) Acknowledgements:

- Lillian Mitchell greeted those in attendance, and expressed her appreciation at seeing old festival friends.
- Sandra Kerr and Carol Donhauser received a round of applause in thanks for their excellent office support.
- Denise Gress of Sask. Choral Federation and Benchmarks Communications were acknowledged for their roles in planning the Sask. Music Conference.
- Sandra Senga and Anita Kuntz were presented gifts as a thank you for their terms on the SMFA Board.

18) Adjournment by Robin Swales at 1:20 pm.

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