



2025 Annual General Meeting Unapproved Minutes

Date & Time: April 27, 2025 at 1pm-3pm

Location: Cloverdale Hall, 9411 97 Ave
NW, Edmonton, T6C 4N4

1. Call to order 1:01pm by Cam McCormick

2. Motion to approve agenda

Motion to approve the agenda of April 27, 2025 AGM.

Gord Holt, Marilyn MacGillivray (M/S/C)

3. Motion to approve [minutes of April 21st, 2024](#) Annual General Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes of April 21, 2024 AGM.

Brad Odsen, Gordon Holt (M/S/C)

4. Reports

- Board: Cam McCormick, Chair
- Producer: Terry Wickham
 - i. We have secured cancellation insurance, including wildfire for this year (not covered at AQI of 7-9).
 - ii. We will be meeting about lottery lineups soon to discuss solutions on the issue of the hill filling quickly, and people taking up a lot of space.
 - iii. It's getting harder to secure headliners because artist fees are going up.
- Manager of Volunteers: Dana Fontaine
- Treasurer: Marilyn MacGillivray, Treasurer
- Member Services Committee: Larry Bejcar, MSC Chair
 - i. Membership recruitment email needs to be more actively monitored.
- Scholarship Committee: Drew Walker, Committee Chair
- Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Committee: Meredith Shewchuk, Co-Chair
- Bylaw Review Committee: Gordon Holt, Committee Chair

Motion to accept reports as presented.

Ian Murdoch, Lynn Gourley (M/S/C)



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5. New Bylaw Motion

Discussion:

- Diversity and Inclusion is not a standing committee - why?
 - We want to have flexibility within our committee to make changes without needing to amend our bylaws.
 - Our Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Committee is core to the festival and we recognize its importance in our values.
- Lifetime membership processes
 - This will be more clearly updated in our policies, not bylaws.
- Age to join membership is 16
- Service providers
- 1.01 section C and F - update spelling errors (i.e., the word "section")

Motion that the Edmonton Folk Music Festival Society repeal the current bylaws in their entirety and replace them with the new bylaws as presented to the membership at the 2025 Annual General Meeting.

Cam McCormick, Gordon Holt (M/S/C)

6. Motion to set Annual Membership Fees

Motion that the Annual Membership Fees for the Edmonton Folk Music Festival Society for 2025/2026 for volunteers remain unchanged at \$20 for an individual and \$30 for a family.

Karen Kennedy, Marigold Kinley (M/S/C)

7. Motion to Appoint Auditors

Discussion:

- KRP is a local firm and they were chosen by applying to our request for proposal (RFP)
- Cost savings and good quality of work in their first year with us.

Motion that the membership ratify the Board's appointment of Kingston Ross Pasnak (KRP) as auditors for the 2024–2025 fiscal year.

Marilyn MacGillivray, Shamair Turner (M/S/C)

Motion to appoint Kingston Ross Pasnak (KRP) as auditors for the 2025-2026 fiscal year.



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Marilyn MacGillivray, Shamair Turner (M/S/C)

8. Election of Board Members* (Three 3-year terms)

- Introduce returning board members
- Review of voting procedures
- Call for nominations for 3-year terms (Chair seconds all nominations)
 - i. Shamair Turner nominated by Cameron McCormick (seconded by Percy Odnak)
 - ii. Melissa Barkman nominated by Cameron McCormick (seconded by Percy Odnak)
 - iii. Luther Kadima nominated by Cameron McCormick (seconded by Percy Odnak)
 - iv. Matt Remley nominated by Cameron McCormick (seconded by Percy Odnak)
 - v. Blake Loates nominated by Shamair Turner (seconded by Meredith Shewchuk)
- Speeches by candidates
- Call for ballot counters and scrutineers (Auditor asked to act as scrutineer)
 - i. Shauna, Helen, Richard, and Elisa (counters)
 - ii. Brittany Earl (Scrutineer)
- Motion to accept ballot counters and scrutineers
 - i. Brad Ogden, Jill Day (M/S/C)

ELECTION

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- Election results
 - i. Shamair Turner
 - ii. Matt Remley



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iii. Blake Loates

- o Motion to destroy ballots

i. Stuart Muir, Bob Meyer (M/S/C)

9. Presentation of 2025 Visual Image

- The visual image is to remain confidential until publicly released.

10. Open Forum

- o Congrats to new board members!
- o Join a committee if you have the capacity!
- o Vote in the federal election tomorrow!

11. Acknowledgement of Board Members Completing Terms

- o Gordon Holt
- o Drew Walker

12. Motion to Adjourn

Submitted by: Bob Meyer 3:21pm

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