

Annual General Meeting
Saturday November 7th, 2015
11:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.
Terrace Room
Toronto, Ontario

In Attendance: Kevin Merkley, Tony Leong, Kevin Norbury, Rodger Beatty, Helen Coker, Mark Della Torre, Jessica Sharpe, Sharon Fitzsimmins, Kristen MacLaine, Jay Rothenburg, Mary-Bernadette Farley, Susan Druny, Isaac Moore, Trevor Teakle, Laura Lee Matthie, Lynn Gracey, Kathy Conway-Ward, Jack Gordon, Cyndie Jacobs, Jim Palmer, Melba Lui, Kristen Bynoe, Justina So, Scott Vernon, David Gueulette, Andria Kilbride, Jennifer Evans, Chris Hoffman, Amanda McLaurin, Kim Dafoe, Dianne Winmill, Jeff Brinson, Nancy VanDerSleus, David Lum, Christie Noonan, Jane Wamsley, Angela Maccaroni, Andrew Kizas, Noreen Coombs, Carolyn Otto, Gena Norbury, Julie Malcolm, Jocelyn Kervin, Jane Saunders

Call to Order and Welcome – Gena Norbury called the meeting to order at 11:45 a.m.

Introduction of Board of Directors – Tony Leong introduced all of the OMEA Directors.

Approval of Minutes of AGM 2014

Soundscapes on 2nd page will be changed to iINSPIRE#15. Liz “Sandals”. Trevor needs to be corrected under Treasures Report.

Motion: Kevin Merkley made a motion to accept the minutes as presented with amendments. Seconded by Laura Lee. Carried.

President's Report – No correspondence at this point. As your face of the organization Gena represents OMEA at the Ministry of Education. Due to the work stoppage, there have not been any meetings. Gena does represent OMEA at OTF Curriculum forum, ARTSECO and OnTea. Gena attended the CMEA meeting that took place recently here in Toronto.

Gena shared with the attendees that we had our Leadership Retreat and 16 members attended. Gena also noted that she sits on the Executive of OMEA and is on many sub-committees within the organization.

Annual Board Report (Questions/Comments) – The Director summaries were posted online in advance of the meeting and were shared in paper form. There were no questions asked of OMEA Directors.

Special Presentations – Tony Leong and Gena Norbury

Tony made a presentation to David Lum. Dave Lum has served on the OMEA board for 15 years. He has been on the board as OBA representative, Awards Director and recently as Resources Director. Dave has been involved with OMEA Conference committees in the past and has presented at Faculties of Education.

Dave thanked the organization for the learning and opportunities he had. He was brought on to the board by Cathy Lynn Yorke-Slader.

Gena made a presentation to Tony Leong and Kevin Merkley thanking them on behalf of OMEA and CMIEC for their leadership as Co-Chairs of this year's conference.

Conference Reports

iINSPIRE#15 – Numbers for this year is 649 paid delegates. Tony and Kevin thanked their amazing committee and sub-committee, Mark for his leadership and acknowledged that the conference was a success on our part due to the strength of our strong Co-Chairs and their committee members.

Resonate 2016 – Jane Wamsley and Carolyn Lewis

Next years theme is “Resonate”. How music resonates with you and with your students. Tom Jackson will be a keynote speaker/performer. Carolyn and Jane will be seeking guidance from this year's conference. See you at Resonate 2016. Call for clinicians has been shared.

Treasurer - Laura Lee presented our Financial Statement prepared by Grant Thornton (Orillia). The budget pamphlet was shared. Every year coming into the conference we are never sure what our numbers will be. We

have a GIC coming due. This GIC has been re-invested. If all goes as planned we should be in the black by \$1000.

Adoption of the 2015-2016 Annual Budget

Motion: Laura Lee moved that we accept the financial report for year September 2014 to 2015. Seconded by Mark Della Torre. Carried

Affiliate Reports

OBA – Andrea Kilbride thanked OMEA/CMIEC for their support and for allowing the OPHB to perform at the Conference.

OSA – Justina So thanked OMEA/CMIEC for their financial support of the OSA Ontario Youth Orchestra and for allowing them to perform on Friday at the conference.

CMEA – Kristin brought greetings from CMEA and let members know that she would love to hear from OMEA members if they have any questions.

Motion: Helen Coker made a motion to accept the presented reports. Seconded by Jane Wamsley. Carried.

Dave Lum wanted to thank OMEA and CMIEC for their support of the Scholarship Fund. This idea started with Cathy Lynn Yorke-Slader (OMEA) and Dave Morton (CMIEC) offering \$5000 from each organization to provide seed money for the fund. Dave thanked CMIEC

Call for the next OMEA AGM to be held on November 5th, 2016 in Niagara Falls at the OMEA Resonate '16 conference.

Adjournment

Motion: Trevor Teakle made a motion that we adjourn.