

**Mississauga Festival Youth Annual General Meeting  
Notes for November 17, 2021**

Proposed Agenda:





- 6:30 sign into zoom meeting
- 6:35 Katherine - Open Meeting and Introductions
- 6:40 Linda – Welcoming remarks, motion to approve minutes from 2020 AGM
- 6:45 Katherine – Artistic Director’s Report, Grant Report, Fundraiser Report
- 6:55 Anthony – Financial Report, motion to approve financials
- 7:05 Linda – Board Invitation, invite questions and comments from families, final resolutions
- 7:15 Katherine – Close Meeting

In attendance: Linda Rix, Anthony Bastiampillai, Michele Balram, Tina Mann, Hermeen Toor, Carolyn, Elliot Archer, Jennette Alambra

Staff attendance: Katherine Dickey

Regrets: None

4 documents attached for reference

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AGM Agenda  
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AGM 2021 Budget  
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Topic	Notes	Final Decisions and/or Motions
6:38	Katherine Introduction Meeting Called to Order Introductions of Board Members Welcome from President Linda Rix	Linda moved to accept the minutes from last year Tina seconded All in favour of approval Motion passed
6:45	Artistic Director Report - Katherine <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction of staff (not attending the meeting) – Katherine Ilson, Artistic Director, Acting Administrative Manager Abigail Freeman, Associate Conductor Charlotte Eckersley, Intern Svetlana Kotliarenko, on-call accompanist</li> </ul> Artistic report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We had to switch to virtual over the past year</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We learned how to produce the virtual choir song (online production)</li> <li>• Grant received from the Bread and Honey to produce several</li> <li>• Entered into sharing more online through facebook</li> <li>• Remembrance Day last year led to a grant from the Legion and we continued again this year</li> <li>• We plan to continue the things we learned as well as return to live as soon as possible</li> <li>• Fostering the community is important as well, we did online parties, decorated cookies together and sang. Also a year end party with an art course</li> <li>• Right now we are doing outdoor classes, we are currently in Streetsille at Kaleidoscope</li> </ul>	
	<p>Administrative Report (Katherine)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Donations/grants, poinsettias fundraiser was done in December and we made about \$1500 last year, cancelled our spring fundraiser</li> <li>• We will be doing the winter poinsettia one this year and will wait to determine if we want/need a Spring fundraiser</li> <li>• We've been awarded the community City of Mississauga grant again for this season and have submitted a grant request for the upcoming year</li> <li>• In 2022, it will be our 20<sup>th</sup> year singing in Mississauga <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ We made new shirts to celebrate</li> <li>✓ Hope to do something in person to celebrate and have the Founder come as well</li> <li>✓ We will stretch this out again with hope of rebuilding our numbers</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

	and becoming part of the community again	
7:15	<p>Financials (Anthony)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financials from last year and budget for this coming year</li> <li>• Last year there was not a lot of activity because last year was online</li> <li>• Income – membership funds</li> <li>• Public sector revenue</li> <li>• Private sector revenue</li> <li>• Expenses are primarily the artistic staff and choir expenses, they took a 40% reduction for the year as well</li> <li>• Facilities – no payment other than office storage</li> <li>• Marketing – mostly website costs</li> <li>• Low administrative</li> <li>• Overall have \$1500 to use in following years</li> <li>• Surplus is currently at \$7000</li> <li>• Question about prepaids that Anthony will follow up with Linda on</li> <li>• Hopefully next year we will have concerts and additional fundraisers</li> </ul> <p>Second spreadsheet with comparisons and budget</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conservative estimates with lower fees, operating expenses, artistic staff (all of these should go up if in person and regular fees resume)</li> </ul>	<p>Linda moves to adopt the financials  Michele seconds  All in favour  Motion passed</p>
7:00pm	<p>Linda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One of our previous board members has volunteered to support our marketing and online initiatives</li> <li>• We have a small board and we are always looking for new members, someone had to leave last year due to geographical move. If you are interested in becoming a board member or know someone interested, please contact</li> </ul>	No motion required

Katherine. Technical savvy, social media, or marketing would be appreciated (if you have experience or want to learn)

Opening the floor for Questions

1. Does it look like we'll be able to move back into the Seniors Centre?

They have sent the contract but it is 4x the original price we were paying. We have a community registry that will give us a discount. The space is available as of next Wednesday but the invoice is too much. Katherine needs more time.

2. Is there opportunity for other locations?

This is where it was located when Katherine started and there were 3 levels of choirs so space was needed. Do not need the same space now. We like to be publicly accessible and use city of Mississauga venues when necessary

Idea for the space to be donated  
We did try for one year to rehearse at a dance studio but that wasn't great

Sometimes hockey arenas have rooms that are unused upstairs, possibility to explore (eg Erin Mills arena, etc)

Helpful for the room to have keyboard/piano (right now doing recordings), live accompanist is ideal longer term

Slate of officers

President – Linda Rix

Treasurer – Anthony Bastiampillai

Secretary – Tina Mann

Members at Large

Michele Balram

Hermeen Toor

	Vacant  Thank you expressed to board, parents and staff for versatility throughout the year	
7:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Meeting Adjourned</li></ul>	All in favour