

**CALL TO ORDER**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic the meeting was held by ZOOM conference. There being a quorum present, T. MacFarlane presided as Chair.

**Board Members Present:** Tom MacFarlane, Kati Pearson, Chris Pearson, Martin Kuntze, Mandy Leon, Janet Scinocca, Bruce Jackson, and Kevin Dunne

**Meeting Called to Order** at 7:05pm

Chair Tom MacFarlane welcomes everyone.

**1. Minutes of Previous AGM of November 25, 2020 Presented**

**Motion to Approve:** *minutes as circulated.*

Moved by Jane MacFarlane 2 <sup>nd</sup> by Bob Cotton Carried
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**2. President’s Report – Tom MacFarlane**

There has been little activity since our last AGM on November 25, 2020. Tom introduces and acknowledges his fellow Directors: Vice President Kevin Dunne; Vice President Chris Pearson; Treasurer Bruce Jackson; Secretary Janet Scinocca; Executive Producer Martin Kuntze; Director Kati Pearson; and Director Many Leon. As you are aware, we of the Encore Series have cancelled the 2021-2022 season due to COVID and the fact Meadowvale Theatre is undergoing renovations and is therefore not available. We have had many discussions on alternative venues/presentations, but in the end decided it best to just cancel.

At this time, the line up for the reopening of the theatre and our series looks like Chitty Chitty Bang Bang as the opening presentation in October, 2022 and a re-launch of Hunchback of Notre Dame as the closing show in April, 2023. This line up is very fluid and will likely change as we get closer to fall, 2023.

Tom acknowledges the Government of Ontario from whom we received a grant of \$20,000 for small business relief due to COVID. We continue to support our fellow Encore Series groups by storing sets for Theatre Unlimited and Meadowvale Music Theatre at our Whitlam location.

It has been a very quiet year and Tom does not anticipate a whole lot of activity for this coming year. We think it will be at least fall of next year before patrons feel comfortable in attending theatre in crowds.

A great big thank you to Mike Casey for his decades of commitment to EMP as our past Treasurer and keeper of the books. A shout out to Monita Mohan for her work on producing a newsletter every month, given she has to search for content. And thanks to MTM fellow Directors and everyone for hanging in there, better is yet to come.

**3. Treasurer’s Report – Bruce Jackson**

Bruce reviews the financials (see attached report). Financially, we are in good shape. We had no income this year.

**Motion to approve the financial statements year ending May 15, 2021 as presented.**

Moved by Bruce Jackson 2 <sup>nd</sup> by Laura Wilde Carried
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**4. Appointment of Edward and Manning for 2020-2021**

**Motion, to continue to use Edward and Manning to complete the necessary documents to submit to the Confidential**

**government for tax purposes.**

Moved by Bruce Jackson  
2<sup>nd</sup> by Lezli Kuntze  
Carried

### **5. Membership Fee Structure**

**Motion to extend existing memberships for 2020/2021 members through to 2021/2022 at no charge and to keep the current annual membership fees for 2021/2022 to \$40 for individual, \$60 for family, \$20 for youth, and \$10 for Associate.**

Moved by Janet Scinocca  
2<sup>nd</sup> by Lawrence Gryniewski  
Carried

### **6. Number of General Directors**

**Motion to keep the number of Directors at 8.**

Moved by Chris Pearson  
2<sup>nd</sup> by Bruce Jackson  
Carried

### **7. Election of New Board of Directors**

Tom MacFarlane opens the floor for nominations.

#### **Standing for re-election:**

Kevin Dunne for Vice President

Martin Kunze - Executive Producer

Mandy Leon – General Director

Kati Pearson – General Director

Chris Pearson – General Director/Vice President

Janet Scinocca - Secretary

Tom calls for nominations on the floor for general directors.

No other nominations were received from the floor.

As there are no further nominations, Tom declares that the current Board of Directors will continue by acclamation for the year 2021/2022.

### **8. Open Discussion**

Kevin Dunne inquires how the \$20,000 grant from the Provincial government was attained. Tom informs everyone that he filled out an application for small business Covid relief and received a notification that we were approved and the money was deposited in the bank.

Lawrence Gryniewski asks if the government grant was for Covid relief, are there any strings attached? Tom confirms that there are no restrictions of how the money is spent.

Laura Wilde inquires as to when Meadowvale theatre will open. Tom informs everyone that Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> will be the opening for MTM shows. The EMP show will follow after Chitty.

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Lawrence Gryniewski asks what the EMP show will be for fall 2022. Tom informs everyone that Chicago was slotted for 2022 however the rights were not approved. At the present moment, we are acquiring the rights for Fiddler on the Roof. We have not finalized the show for 2022 but will post once this is confirmed.

Mandy Leon asks meeting attendees if they would like EMP to open the new 2022 season with Fiddler. Mike Wilde says it is a big cast show and if we added youth, it could bring more ticket sales.

Chris Pearson notes that it can be a struggle to get a show we want and is recognizable. We need a good fit with the other MTM shows. Chris reaches out to everyone who can give input on show selection.

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:20pm.**