

Annual General Meeting for the Canadian Society for Traditional Music
Assemblée générale annuelle de la Société canadienne pour les traditions musicales
27 May 2017, University of Toronto, Toronto ON

MINUTES

Meeting called to order at 4:40 p.m.

Chair: Kaley Mason

Secretary: Meghan Forsyth

Present: Hadi Milanloo, Julia Byl, Marcia Ostashewski, Jeff van den Scott, Eric Hung, Sherry Johnson, Ons Barnat, Elaine Keillor, David Warren, Meghan Forsyth, Jon Dueck, Kaley Mason, Laura Risk, Louise Wrazen, Marianne-Sarah Saulnier, Heather Sparling, Colin McGuire.

Proxies received: Chris McDonald given to Heather Sparling.

1. Welcome

2. Approval of Agenda / L'Ordre du jour 2015

Moved by David Warren, 2nd Colin McGuire; passed.

3. Approval of Minutes / Approbation du compte-rendu 2016

Moved by Marcia Ostashewski, 2nd Julia Byl; passed

4. Expression of Thanks / Remerciements

- a. The Faculty of Music at the University of Toronto
- b. Canadian University Music Society (MUSCAN); the Canadian Association of Music Libraries, Archives and Documentation Centres (CAML); and the International Association for the Study of Popular Music in Canada (IASPM-Canada).
- c. Local arrangements committee: Sherry Lee, Timothy Neufeldt, and, especially, Robin Elliott (Jean A. Chalmers Chair in Canadian Music, University of Toronto), who has guided the planning and operation of this landmark meeting from start to finish, including serving as the PI for a successful SSHRC Connection Grant.
- d. Thanks to Sherry Johnson and Chris McDonald for hosting the lively open mic at Pauper's Pub as part of CSTM 2017.
- e. Program Committee / comité scientifique: Meghan Forsyth (Memorial University), Chair; Julia Byl (University of Alberta); Jonathan Dueck (George Washington University); Frédéric Léotar (Université de Montréal); Marcia Ostashewski (Cape Breton University); and Kaley Mason (Lewis & Clark College)
- f. Special note of thanks to CSTM Secretary and 2017 Program Chair, Meghan Forsyth.

5. Reports / Rapports

- a. President / Président – Kaley Mason.

- i. The 2016 CSTM conference in Quebec City brought more francophones to CSTM with new energy and ideas, including building connections to France.
 - ii. The CSTM President has been working on a Canada Council for the Arts New Chapters grant, which was ultimately not successful, but a very solid application.: thanks to Gillian McKercher (filmmaker) and Mike Todd (Project lead, CSTM Board Member) for their work. Discussion: Marcia Ostashewski: Thanks to all the people who worked on the grant application. Kaley Mason noted that we have a lot of collective expertise and we should not get discouraged; we need to keep doing this kind of thinking about large projects the CSTM can collaborate on and writing grant applications.
 - iii. Agreement with NA Publishing to add the CFM to add this to their repository; magazine will now be more widely accessible. Will join digital music collections; we will get a percentage of the subscription fee. We can also pull out of that agreement if we so choose.
 - iv. Kaley sends special thanks to outgoing Editor Gillian Turnbull on behalf of CSTM. With Jon Leeder, Gillian has put much time and energy into keeping the magazine going.
 - v. Website redesign committee: CSTM received a meticulous report in 2016; the committee comprised of Michael Friskopf, Marcia Ostashewski, Ons Barnat, and Kaley have acted on the report.
- b. Treasurer / Trésorier - Monique Giroux.
 - c. *Canadian Folk Music / Musique folklorique canadienne* – Gillian Turnbull.
 - d. *MUSICultures* – Heather Sparling.
 - i. Heather Sparling reports that she is thinking about the future of the journal. *MUSICultures* receives a great number of submissions and visibility (two special issues upcoming and the recently published Tourism issue), but we are not able to demonstrate a strong impact through citations.
 - ii. We need to spread the work load via new positions.
 - iii. Thinking about connecting more with IASPM-Canada. We are already publishing popular music articles and Susan Fast (et al) edited a special issue some years ago. Heather has been talking to IASPM-Canada to discuss issues and challenges related to further partnerships. Discussion: Great idea, pooling resources makes a lot of sense. Question about logistics: (Heather Sparling) title will likely not change, exploratory meetings suggest it would be split 50/50, but IASPM-Canada does not have funds; likely guest issues and continuing discussions about what kind of financial contribution they could manage, with possible graduated financial contribution. The collaboration would build personnel for running the journal, contributors, and formalize the relationship between the two societies. Question about logistics: (Heather Sparling) CBU now mails hard copies. Heather Sparling asked for more feedback from members going forward.
 - e. We thank our two editors and their teams.
Motion to accept the reports: Eric Hung, 2nd by Heather Sparling; passed

6. Work of the Board / Travail du conseil d'administration

- a. *Website Redesign*: See point 5.a.v. above.
- b. *Student initiatives*: could not have a student initiative committee this year; looking at "early career"
 - a. CSTM Student Representative Marieanne-Sarah Saulnier collaborated with counterparts in IASPM-Canada and MusCan to co-organize the student-led workshop on collaboration in research. Thanks also to Daniel Stadnicki for his work on this successful initiative.
- c. *Financing and Fundraising*: Monique Giroux, Mike Todd, Glenn Patterson, Chris McDonald, and Heidi Chan.
- d. *Membership*: Membership secretary Heidi Chan has done fabulous work redesigning and updating the membership list system.

7. Future AGMs / Assemblée Générale annuelle à venir

- a. it is difficult now to line up meetings due to lack of people in positions to host meetings, we have had success meeting with other societies.
- b. We are current in talks with MusCan/IASPM-Canada/CAML to meet next year in Western Canada. We should have an update in a few weeks.
- c. There is a desire to meet in Regina and B.C.
- d. We need to set up a committee to discuss future meetings (long-range plan). *Discussion*: the meeting of four societies is well received, more possibilities of locations; suggestion of partnering with folk festivals (volunteers and enthusiasm) or other institutions (i.e. NMC in Calgary).

8. Election / Elections

David Warren tables motion to move into committee of the whole; Seconded by Jeff van den Scott; moved.

- a. Outgoing Board members: Thanks to Gage Averill, Eric Hung, Kate Galloway, Sija Tsai.
- b. Archivist: Thanks to David Gregory.
- c. Nominations for second term: Ons Barnat (Ottawa), Michael Frishkopf (Alberta), Marion McLeod (Western), Ameera Nimjee (Chicago), Glenn Patterson (MUN), Mike Tod (Calgary)

David Warren moves to accept the nominations for second term; seconded by Heather Sparling; Moved.

- d. New nominations: Hadi Milanloo (Toronto), Nadia Chana (Chicago), Nathan Hesselink (UBC), Carolyn Ramzy (Carleton), Jeffrey van den Scott (MUN).
Call for any other nominations: no further nominations.

David Warren moves to come out of committee of the whole; seconded by Marcia Ostashewski; moved.

Current Executive 2017-

President – Jonathan Dueck
Past-President – Kaley Mason
Secretary – Meghan Forsyth

Treasurer – Monique Giroux
Student Rep – Marianne-Sarah Saulnier
Honorary President – John Leeder

Current Directors 2017-

- Ons Barnat (Term 2, year 1)
- Julia Byl (Term 1, Year 2)
- Nadia Chana (Term 1, Year 1)
- Judith Cohen (Term 1, Year 2)
- Michael Frishkopf (Term 2, Year 1)
- Nathan Hesselink (Term 1, Year 1)
- Frédéric Léotar (Term 1, Year 2)
- Marion MacLeod (Term 2, Year 1)
- Colin McGuire (Term 1, Year 2)
- Hadi Milanloo (Term 1, year 1)
- Ameera Nimjee (Term 2, Year 1)
- Marcia Ostashewski (Term 1, Year 2)
- Glenn Patterson (Term 2, Year 1)
- Carolyn Ramzy (Term 1, Year 1)
- Raj Singh (Term 1, Year 2)
- Mike Todd (Term 2, Year 1)
- Jeffrey van den Scott (Term 1, Year 1)

9. Other Business / Autre affaires

- a. Student paper prize / Prix pour les communications d'étudiant. Kaley Mason: Tanks to Anna Hoefnagels for agreeing to chair this committee again. Encourages students to submit their papers.
 - a. Motions from the Board
 - i. That the Executive be charged with the mandate to choose a design company to redesign the Society's website after the Website Redesign committee solicits at least two additional proposals

Motion Moved by Eric Hung; seconded by Colin McGuire. *Discussion:* might it be overpriced? What services will be included? Challenge of the financial statements – revenue of the society is not covering this, should reserve funds be augmented? if we go above a certain amount of money? there is a lot of expertise on the committee to make recommendations in the best interest of the society. Suggestion to share the WRC's proposal on the listserv with membership for a period of two weeks.

Motion passed.

- ii. That the Executive be charged with the mandate to accept or reject the recommendations for new prizes from a committee charged with proposing new prizes. moved by David Warren; seconded by Julia Byl; Motion passed.

- b. Meghan Forsyth offered thanks to Kaley Mason on behalf of CSTM for his leadership over the past two years.

- c. Elaine Keillor: all of the Tom Kainz collection has been moved into the archives at Carleton. digitized 6000 audio files. Most of the radio programs (also from CBC) and scripts have been itemized, Roud numbers. Available on the Archives website at Carleton University. Cannot get CBC permission to upload audio files from CBC on the website, but there are many tapes that will be on the website. Also musical instruments that will be displayed.

10. Adjournment / Ajournement

David warren moves to adjourn; Moved.

Meeting adjourned 5:50pm.