

# **ISLAND MEDIA ARTS COOPERATIVE AGM MINUTES — OCTOBER 04th 2017 THE GUILD**

**Attendees:** Rene Laprise, Craig Harris, Will Beckett, Peter Murphy, Alexander Cairns, Irene Dunlop, Louise Lalonde, Brian Gallant, Levi Gaudet, Mark Fraser, Leslie Ann Ruben, Emma Fugate, Rick Gibbs, Jessica Doria-Brown, Mark Sandiford, Andrew Melzer, Jason Rogerson, Cheryl Wagner

## **1. Meeting called to order**

Will Beckett was the only member of the executive attending the AGM. As secretary, he took minutes. Board member, Craig Harris volunteered to chair the meeting.

Craig Harris called meeting to order at 6:10 PM

## **2. Reports of the auditor**

Emma Fugate presented the financial reports prepared by Arsenault, Best, Cameron, Ellis

### **Motion**

Louise Lalonde moved acceptance of the financial reports.

Will Beckett seconded.

Motion carried.

## **3. Reading and Disposal of Previous AGM Minutes**

### **Motion**

Cheryl Wagner moved to accept the 2016 AGM Minutes as presented

Emma Fugate seconded.

Motion carried.

## **4. Review of business arising from the minutes**

No action items covered.

## **5. ED Report**

(Executive Director's Report is attached)

A quiet year, with a tight budget toward the end of last year.

The move, and rebranding, went on-hold while IMAC re-aims its focus post-

film summit.

Renee continues to explore venue options in cooperation with Innovation PEI.

The Canada Council equipment funding is not an isolated case; this has been national issue due to Canada Council's restructuring.

December will be the next application date, and we'll know six months afterward if we receive their funding or not.

The key point is to maintain IMAC's revenue so that we can continue to apply for full funding.

Renee will be exploring new revenue streams so she can fulfil the executive Director's position full-time.

Leaning too much toward the commercial side of things has required us to re-focus on media arts with the Black Cultural Society and others.

This is being done in order to align ourselves more closely with media arts.

This is essential for Canada Council grants — to show that we're here for art, not simply for commercial production.

Current IMAC organizational projects include Mental Health partnerships, and with the Native Council on Youth Programming.

Renee's own project has helped give IMAC additional exposure at various festivals around the world.

The August PEI film summit allowed us to come up with five action steps and committees, which include media funding and venue relocation.

Bootcamps and Charlottetown Film Festival and PEI Fest have been successful.

Young Island Voices is a competition for youth, but without a lot of activity there, bursaries and certificates were issued to those who did partake.

Peter Murphy received our Lifetime Membership award.

Nils was thanked, *in absentia*, for his years of service to the organization.

### **Motion**

Jessica Doria-Brown moved to approved the actions of the board for 2016-17

Levi Gaudet seconded

Motion carried

## **6. Unfinished Business**

None.

## **7. Nomination and election of directors for the ensuing year**

Nominating committee consisting of Renee Laprise, Emma Fugate and Mark Sandiford put forward the following list of nominations to the board:

Returning members:

- Jessica Doria-Brown
- Mark Fraser
- Craig Harris
- Will Beckett

New members:

- Emma Fugate
- Mark Sandiford
- Leslie Ann Ruben

After three requests, no further nominations were received from the floor.

**Motion**

Emma Fugate moved to elect the board members put forward by the nominating committee.

Levi Gaudet seconded.

Motion carried.

**8. Election of Auditors**

**Motion**

Mark Sandiford moved that Arsenault, Best, Cameron, Ellis be elected as auditors for 2017-18

Jessica seconded.

Motion carried.

**9. New Business**

None.

**10. Adjournment**

**Motion**

Emma Fugate moved for adjournment.

Meeting adjourned by Craig Harris at 6:50