

FilmPEI AGM
Sunday, October 28 2018
2pm to 3:30 pm
FilmPEI, Charlottetown

Board Members Present

- Emma Fugate
- Mark Sandiford
- Will Beckett
- Mark Fraser
- Jessica Doria-Brown

Staff

- Renee Laprise
- Thomas Mears

Roll call for members

- Shannon Farrell
- Nathan Carter
- Brian Sharp
- Berni Wood
- Patricia Bourque
- Louise Lalonde
- Millefiore Clarkes
- Karen Mair
- Misiksk Jadis
- Andrew Melzer
- Diane Barnes
- Cheryl Wagner

Meeting called to order by Emma at 2:05 PM

Reading and disposal of minutes for the previous AGM.

Emma read through a summary of the salient points

Motion to approve.

Jessica moved.

Mark S. seconded.

Technical Coordinator's Report

- RED camera ordered and in-transit.
- Specialized training for this camera will be provided.
- He will be assembling a series of How-To videos.
- Sound equipment is upgraded based on member input.

Executive Director's Report

- New hires and placements have increased FilmPEI's staff beyond previous levels.
- Three-year initiative available to develop the industry, involving expansion and other elements derived from the 2017 strategy.
- Funds raised are being used for new equipment (like the RED camera).
- Renovations to the new facilities are ongoing.
- A soundstage and a mezzanine, with offices, are in the plans for the future.
- Targets in the three-year plan are being met.
- An extension from ACOA will be necessary for additional measures.
- Film4Ward, augmented with additional funds from CBC and Telefilm, have produced a considerable number of applicants. Results of these applications will be presented by the Province of PEI on the 22nd of November, 2018.
- An industry coordinator will be chosen by the end of the year.
- A jump in our finances has been helped by Canada Council funding, pending changes in government that could affect this funding.
- Rene's goals are to bring in revenue, freeing FilmPEI from the burdens associated with rising and falling funding.
- 120 total members.
- Renee is now on full-time in her position.
- Innovation PEI has provided a rent subsidy for the new FilmPEI facility for the next two years.
- Louise Lalonde's Screenwriter's Bootcamps have been a record-breaking success this past year.

President's Report

We've hit roughly 90% of the goals outlined in the 2016 strategic plan.

Highlights include:

- Rebranding completed
- Media fund.
- FilmPEI now relocated.
- Renovations underway.
- Organizational restructuring from 100% arts to a split between arts and industry.
- Ideally, we'd like to see core operational funding from government, akin to MusicPEI.
- Training and summit opportunities are growing, aided by our new facilities.
- Emma's been hunting for an industry representative for PEI filmmakers to sell them to the world.
- Emma's attended a few events, like Women Making Waves and Produced By, among others.
- Presentation and liaising with government at a provincial and municipal level.
- Liaising with other regional film organizations.
- New accounting system to integrate with the equipment rental system.

- Board expansion beyond the present seven members, and bylaw changes to accommodate it.
- New policy development.
- Building supports for the industry, including a listing of directories (i.e.: Cast and Crew) for industries in our community seeking hire from our pool of local talent.

The industry coordinator position will play a key role in pursuit of future directions for the industry on PEI.

Emma presents a motion to accept reports as-presented..

Jessica moved.

Mark F. seconded.

Unanimous

Financial Statements - presented by Emma Fugate in lieu of a the treasurer that stepped down

- A full audit will be needed for the next fiscal year due to government and funding support.
- HST now being charged for services.
- Bootcamp and Writers' Retreats factored in.
- We may need the auditors to come in for the next AGM.

Mark S. moved to approve.

Mille seconded.

Unanimous

Bylaw Amendments

Presented by Mark Sandiford.

- A revisiting of the bylaws last amended in 2014.
- Wording and typos are being clarified and corrected for a number of bylaws.

Mark F. moved.

Berni seconded.

Unanimous

Nomination of Directors - presented by nominating committee of Renee and Emma. All bios of new nominees were read. Eleven in total.

- Berni Wood
- Karen Mair
- Mille Clarkes
- Shannon Farrell
- Nathan Carter
- Misiksk Jadis
- Emma Fugate (returning)
- Mark Sandiford (returning)
- Mark Fraser (returning)

- Craig Harris (returning)
- Jessica Doria-Brown returning

Diane motioned.
Andrew seconded.
Unanimous

Election of Auditors

Emma puts forward ABCE Accounting.
Berni Motions
Mark Sandiford seconds
Unanimous

New Business

- presenting Gretha Rose as this year's lifetime member award recipient

Patricia Bourque motions to adjourn at 3:35.