

Annual General Meeting of the Western United States Pipe Band Association

Held Saturday October 17, 2015 in Park City, Utah

Meeting called to order, quorum was established (8:03am)

Moment of silence for Charlie Lumsden, a WUSPBA adjudicator who passed the day before.
(8:04am)

Minutes of the 2014 AGM (8:05am)

Motion to waive the reading of the 2014 minutes, and approve by acclamation (BJ Gunn, 2nd Lise Nelson)-APPROVED

Comments by President Jeff Mann (8:06am)

“Thank you to the Executive Committee and Music Board for their work and passion over the last three years. It has been wonderful getting to know many individuals throughout WUSPBA. Thank you for making me feel valued.”

Budget Presentation by Treasurer Holley Morrill (8:09am)

2014-2015 actuals were presented

2016 proposed budget was presented

Motion to accept the treasurer report and approve the 2016 budget (Drew McPheeters, 2nd John Thornton)-APPROVED

Contest Organizer and Other Attendee Introductions (8:13am)

- Susan Rose with the Epic Project-\$2500 to pay for a full kilt outfit. Going to be gifted to a high school student based on need and talent. The 2015 recipient was Austin Diepenhorst. They are looking for an individual to be the 2016 recipient. Please contact Richard King with any nominations. Please send a YouTube video with the recommendation.
- Ryan Rodgers, owner and developer of the R2 sports system. There are some exciting upgrades planned for WUSPBA. The system will make it easier for soloists and bands to register. Contest Organizers should be able to organize their contest in 30 minutes.
- EC and MB introductions and recognition of John and Susan Thornton, WUSPBA newsletter editor and Chairman of the Past President committee.

Awards Presentation: 2015 WUSPBA Aggregate Winners (8:43am)

Officer Elections (8:54am)

Band Registrar-Nancy Theriault (nominated by Jeff Mann, 2nd Mike Gibbs)

Motion to close nominations and elect by acclamation (Susan Thornton, 2nd BJ Gunn)

Treasurer-Nate Lorenz (nominated by Erin Gunn, 2nd John Moruzzi)

Motion to close nominations and elect by acclamation (Jeff Mann, 2nd BJ Gunn)
Executive Secretary-Erin Gunn (nominated by BJ Gunn, 2nd Lise Nelson)
Motion to close nominations and elect by acclamation (Drew McPheeters, 2nd Susan
Thornton)
President-Andrew Morrill (nominated by John Moruzzi, 2nd Glenn Kvidahl)
Motion to close nominations and elect by acclamation (Lise Nelson, 2nd Erin Gunn)

Voting Procedures (9:00am)

Reviewed Roberts Rules of Order, and discussed how the voting will be run. Discussed the order of proposals and who can vote on each proposal.

BREAK (9:03am)

Called back to order (9:15am)

Amendments to Bylaws

Branch Funding (9:16am)-PASSED

Amendments to Contest Rules

Competitor Performance Level (9:22am)-PASSED

Solo Grading (9:23am)

Friendly amendments were proposed and accepted by the author specifying the appeal process and time line-Passed

Vote on the amended proposal-PASSED

Drummers Playing Without Accompaniment (9:35am)-FAILED

Voice vote was not definitive, moved to card vote: For (14 bands, 19 single votes) against (14 bands, 22 single votes).

Drumming Instructors Cannot be the Lead (9:44am)-WITHDRAWN

Roster Request Deadline (9:44am)-PASSED

Competition Area (10:10am)

Amended to a guideline whenever possible-passed

Vote on amended proposal-PASSED

Official Band Draw (10:15am)-PASSED

Band Event Sequencing (10:25am)

Friendly amendment to stagger the sequence switching the proposed order for grades 2 and 4-Passed

Vote on the amended proposal-FAILED

Mini-MSR requirements clarification (10:42am)-FAILED

Rank Instead of Points (10:49am)-PASSED

Meeting adjourned (10:57am)