

# NABBA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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*Captured by Randi L. Bulla, Secretary*

## Day 1 – Friday, September 20, 2019

6:01 PM – Meeting Called to Order

### Introductions/Attendance

Tony Granados, <i>President</i>	Christopher Ward	Joel Collier
Patrick Herak, <i>Vice President</i>	Dave Jones	John Heaver, <i>Online</i>
Ron Lutterbie, <i>Treasurer</i>	Edward Eccles	John Smith
Randi Bulla, <i>Secretary</i>	Gavin Pritchard	Lindsay Walker
Alex Schnautz	Glenn Greet	Mark Taylor
Anita Hunt, <i>Non-Voting</i>	James Long	Melanie Ball, <i>Online</i>
Bill Waterman, <i>Online Day 2 only</i>	Jason Collier	Sara North

Not in Attendance: Sean Kissane sent regrets due to medical issues

### Expectations and Work Plan – Patrick Herak

- Going forward, we will be using our @nabba.org email addresses for NABBA business and correspondence
- G Suite: Google Docs, Calendar, and Google Hangouts are the three main areas we will use. Some tutorials will be made available and shared for
  - There are apps for some of these, but you can also use the web browser
- Expectations:
- **Communication**
  - Attend Fall and Spring Board Meetings. Must attend over 50% in a two-year period as per by-laws
  - Participate in Committee Meetings – Committee Chair will address any issues
  - Contribute to G Suite Projects – Committee Chair will address any issues
  - Mandatory to vote in online Votes, even if you abstain
    - Transparency will help us avoid any perceived conflict of interest. Votes will be done using G Suite.
  - Nabba.org is the required e-mail platform. Reply to emails regarding NABBA Business within two business days (even if to say you won't have the bandwidth to deal with it immediately). If on vacation, please set auto reply on nabba.org e-mail. Two (2) days will be the standard response requested, unless otherwise indicated.
    - The sender will be responsible for indicating the urgency, if a request is required before 2 days or if a later response is acceptable
  - +/- 2 Hours per Week NABBA work

## Adjudication Committee Request for Feedback on New Scoring Sheet – Tony Granados

- Band Adjudication Score Sheet was posted 2 weeks prior to the meeting for review by Full Board
  - To identify what the judges are scoring and how they're scoring it
  - This DOES NOT replace the judge's expertise, it is meant to help with consistency in scoring
  - To get bands placed in the right order
  - 60% Test / 40% Choice weighting still applies
  - Proposing a competition suite app for uploading scores are uploaded into the app for computation, audio recordings, and getting things "solidified" faster
  - Proposing a 100% oral adjudication, but there were lots of comments going either way on this topic
  - Consensus was that the scoring sheet is good. There are many questions from the Board members about the implementation and procedures that will be used.
  - **ACTION ITEM:** Adjudication Committee will address training and answer questions, working closely with the Rules Committee.
  - Scoring
  - **MOTION:** Mark Taylor/ **SECOND:** James Long
  - Move to accept the proposed scoring sheet as presented
    - **Motion PASSED by Majority vote**

## Music Committee Report – Joel Collier

- List provided 2 weeks prior to Board Meeting for review by Board Meetings
- Committee Members:
  - Joel Collier (Chair), Jamie Hood, Derek Lance, Pete Meechan, Kate Wohlman, Andrew Wainwright
- Tony has asked that the Board consider using Dynasty by Peter Graham
- There was discussion as to whether introducing a piece after the considerable work by the Music Committee recommendations were made
- **MOTION:** Jason Collier/ **SECOND:** Mark Taylor
- Move to accept the Championship Test Piece TITAN'S PROGRESS
  - **Motion PASSED by Majority vote**

### Championship

#### **Titan's Progress - Hermann Pallhuber**

Faber Music

17 minutes - <https://youtu.be/gHR9IijrCU>

- **MOTION:** Joel Collier/ **SECOND:** Gavin Pritchard
- Move to accept the remaining slate of First, Second, Third, Youth Championship, and Youth First Section Test Pieces
  - **Motion PASSED by Majority vote**

### First Section -

#### **A Lowry Sketchbook - Philip Wilby**

Kirklees Music

15 minutes - <https://youtu.be/kQlplrzsc-8>

### Second Section

### **Purcell Variants - Peter Meechan**

Prima Vista Musikk

*Mov 1 - 4:30*

*Mov 2 - 6:05*

*Mov 3 - 3:10*

Total - 13:45 - Its available but hard to find recordings online

### Third Section

#### **Penlee - Simon Dobson**

Faber Music

13 1/2 minutes - <https://youtu.be/OUi6Tm3hI3o>

### Youth Championship

#### **Fearless - Andrew Wainwright**

The Salvation Army USA Eastern Territory

8 minutes. - <https://youtu.be/xu4XAbRu1nU>

### Youth First

#### **Little Suite no 1, for Brass Band - Malcom Arnold**

Novello

*Mov 1 - 2 minutes*

*Mov 2 - 4 minutes*

*Mov 3 - 2 minutes*

Total - 8 minutes - <https://youtu.be/YEv1MOEHXa8>

### **Treasurer's Report – Ron Lutterbie**

- Handout was provided; electronic copy available upon request
- **ACTION ITEM:** Ron will work with Dave to correct/understand the Vendor revenue
- **ACTION ITEM:** Ron will look into other payment options to reduce the fees
- Summary:
  - COH: \$54,994
  - Decrease overall: \$7,700
- MOTION: Patrick Herak / SECOND: Gavin Pritchard – Approved by Majority

### **Overview of Spirit of Competition – Mark Taylor**

- As part of the Rules Committee they have been working to remove rules that aren't enforceable; this Spirit of Competition will be a preface to the Contest Rules, but will not be *an enforceable part* of the Contest Rules.
- Rules Committee is still working on enforceable rules regarding international players, among other issues.

**9:05 PM – Meeting adjourned**

## **Day 2 – Saturday, September 21, 2019**

9:00 AM – Tour Facilities

10:12 AM – Meeting called to order and dismissal to Committee Breakout

10:30 AM – Committee Meeting 1

12:00 Noon – Lunch

1:00 PM – Committee Meeting 2

3:00 PM – Committee Meeting 3

4:30 PM – Dinner

6:00 PM – Meeting Reconvenes

Attendance: Anita Cocker Hunt and David Jones left the meeting; Jon Heaver joined the meeting online.

### Fundraising Committee Report – Ron Lutterbie, Chair

- Fundraising:
  - Why?
  - How?
  - What do we want to do with the money? What's the *VISION*?
- See the Fundraising Committee Report for more details on topics and action items.

### Regional Event Committee Report – Joel Collier, Chair

- 1-day regional solo and ensemble festivals with local brass band concert at end of day
- Identifying existing festivals and partnering with them
- Create a region map (6 USA, 2 Canada)
- Requirements for British Style Brass Band instrumentation
- Pat told us that the list of bands used to exist with contacts.
- See the Regional Event Committee Report for more details on topics and action items.

### Publicity Committee Report – Jason Collier, Chair

- Logo/Style Guide
- Emails
- All other documents to be channeled thru Publicity committee to approve or modify formatting
- Social Media
- See the Publicity Committee Report for more details on topics and action items.

### Membership Committee Report – Eddie Eccles, Chair

- Current membership structure vs Proposed membership structure
- What does NABBA membership mean? – It is currently tied specifically to the contest
- NABBA Branding and Merchandise
- How to recruit new bands and individual members
- Retention of existing bands and individual members
- Spring/Summer School
- NABBA app - (Business case, Finance, Development, Usage, Maintenance, Subscription, Feedback)
- Long-Term Goals
- See the Membership Committee Report and Membership Discussion Document for more details on topics and action items.

### Rules Committee Report – Pat Herak, Chair

- It was noted that there were several significant changes in the Band Contest Rules that will affect NABBC (North American Brass Band Championships) 2020
- No significant changes to the Solo Contest Rules
- Registration November 1, 2019 – January 15, 2020.
  - Recommendation for consistent Registration Opening and Closing dates
- **MOTION:** Mark Taylor / **SECOND:** Eddie Eccles
- Move to accept/adopt the Band Contest Rules as presented by the Contest Committee.

- **Motion PASSED with a Majority vote**
- **MOTION:** Mark Taylor / **SECOND:** Eddie Eccles
- Move to adopt the Solo Contest Rules and Ensemble Contest Rules as presented by the Contest Committee
  - **Motion PASSED with a Majority vote**
- See the Rules Committee Report – Band for more details on topics and action items.

### **Logistics Committee Report – David Jones, Chair – Alex Schnautz, Presenter**

- Biggest change is the flow through The Embassy for the performing bands
- ~~MOTION: Alex Schnautz / SECOND: Mark Taylor~~
- ~~Motion: To have the 3<sup>rd</sup> Section be scheduled for Friday of Contest in 2020~~
  - Motioned was withdrawn after further discussion
- 1<sup>st</sup> Section will be playing on the Friday of the 2020 Contest

Agenda Items that still need to be addressed/reported on:

- Partnerships Committee
- Adjudication Committee
- Request for Proposal (RFP)

**MOTION:** Tony Granados / **SECOND:** Joel Collier

Move to adjourn the meeting

**9:13 PM – Meeting adjourned**