

2016 AGM

16 Criers in Attendance

Meeting called to order at 10:39 AM

Opening Remarks - President thanks host Crier for all of the hard work that went into the event.

Motion to accept the agenda as circulated.

Reminder that Criers had been asked to forward any concerns, comments or suggestions before AGM.

Corrections - Ingersoll is Aug 20th, not the 26th. Noted

- Competition Committee Chair is Brent McLaren- Noted
B. McKee, J. Webster Carried

Motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting as circulated.

D. Turvey, B. Mckee Carried

Treasurers Report

See attachments Balance Sheet and Profit&Loss

Motion to accept the report

Discussion: With some Criers experiencing difficulties, could a benevolent fund be started for them.

Dues would be paid from this so Criers can continue their membership with the funds replaced as they can. Forwarded to the Finance Committee.

B. McKee, D. Vollick Carried

Committee Reports

Ethics and Discipline – Scott Fraser – no report (absent)

Competition and Rules – Brent McLaren

– Word Count –

- proposals will be sent to Executive regarding word count rules; currently they are ambiguous and there is lots of room for interpretation ex 135 or 150 words?
- Either let the host crier have flexibility to change the rules.
- Ask Exec to clarify the rules, especially pronouns / proper names (1 word ?)
- Should count be 150 and every word is counted or 135 with proper names counted as one word?

-Escorts-

- does having an escort give a crier an advantage. What is the role of the escort in competition?

-Benchmark Cries-

- A true benchmark is 75% regardless of performance.

Public Relations and Website Brent McLaren – seeing lots of traffic and questions. Map with town crier locations has reduced the amount questions “who is my nearest crier?”

The blog is not really being used. Facebook can be expanded.

Constitution and By-Laws- Bill McKee – with the Not for Profit Act coming in 2017 directors will become responsible for every vote. Fees may be set by the Board of Directors. A protected class can

vary votes. Vote regarding different membership classes is deferred.

Old Business

1) Insurance and Survey Results:

- Steve sent out a letter to those Criers wanting insurance about getting their own group policy.
- Survey showed that a result of 11-9 that dues should go back to \$60 per year

2) Newsletter Update

- Please remember to send your pictures, stories, even Grandma's fudge recipe to Steve for the Newsletter.

4) Life Membership

- Fee and new category is deferred to the Constitution Committee.

New Business

-President Shaun as reached out to former students about becoming town Criers

Should we have a recruiting program?

Discussion: John W – job description of a crier and expectations. Steve volunteers to write a letter w suggestions from membership regarding finding/recruiting town Criers.

President Shaun turns the meeting over to Past President Mark for the elections.

Nominations are called For 2 yr directors:

Brian Mabee is nominated by Bill and Mark

Ken Templeman is nominated by Doug and Bill

Steve Travers is nominated by Rob and David Boyd

Les Whiting in nominated by Steve and David Vollick

David Vollick is nominated by Bill and Rob

Nominations are closed

Nominees agree to stand as Directors

Steve Travers nominated David Vollick for President. Seconded by Doug Turvey. David agrees to stand as President for two years.

Bill McKee becomes 1st Vice President as nominated by Mark and Les.

Rob Misener becomes 2nd Vice President.

Doug Turvey and Jennifer Olivero are asked to continue in their posts as Treasurer and Secretary. They agree to continue.

Motion to re-instate the honourarium for Treasurer and Secretary

Mark Molnar, Bill McKee carried

Motion of thanks to our host crier

John Webster, Bill McKee carried

Motion to adjourn

Doug Turvey carried

Markham Competition with the Websters
Nova Scotia Competition – Gary Long
Bermuda Competition
Provincials in Welland

June 16-18, 2017
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Ontario Guild of Town Criers

Profit & Loss

10-11-16

January through December 2015

Accrual Basis

	<u>Jan - Dec 15</u>	<u>Jan - Dec 14</u>
Income		
Award and Badge Sales	1,295.00	0.00
Membership	2,600.07	2,385.80
Miscellaneous donations	325.00	0.00
Total Income	<u>4,220.07</u>	<u>2,385.80</u>
Expense		
Accounting Fees	0.00	50.00
Badges and Pins	1,068.42	42.83
Bank Charges and Fees	59.40	59.40
Insurance	884.52	972.00
Miscellaneous	0.00	333.63
Office Supplies	104.06	318.85
Parades	0.00	60.00
Phone Conferencing	69.48	36.17
Provincials donation	1,200.00	1,000.00
Secretary's Honorarium	0.00	100.00
Treasurer Honorarium	0.00	100.00
Uncategorized Expenses	113.00	129.00
Website	70.00	70.00
Total Expense	<u>3,568.88</u>	<u>3,271.88</u>
Net Income	<u><u>651.19</u></u>	<u><u>-886.08</u></u>

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Balance Sheet

As of 31 December 2015

	<u>31 Dec 15</u>	<u>31 Dec 14</u>
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Chequing/Savings		
Ontario Guild of Town Criers	918.29	267.10
Total Chequing/Savings	<u>918.29</u>	<u>267.10</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>918.29</u>	<u>267.10</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>918.29</u>	<u>267.10</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Equity		
Opening Balance Equity	3,399.92	3,399.92
Unrestricted Net Assets	-3,132.82	-2,246.74
Net Income	651.19	-886.08
Total Equity	<u>918.29</u>	<u>267.10</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>918.29</u>	<u>267.10</u>