Minutes from 2026 AGM & post-AGM Board Meeting

April 6, 2026
Typed by Michael Duggan, Secretary-Treasurer
In attendance:
John Dyck (Section chair), Michael Duggan (Secretary Treasurer), Rick Boychuk (board member), Shauna Jones (board member), Celeste Pinder (board member), Stephen Wade, Craig Langlois, Adam Parboosingh
Regrets: Donnie Osler, Pat Davidson

1. **Call to Order** At 3:13pm Sask time. Please note that our initial meeting got "zoom-bombed" with spam, likely due to publically posting the link on facebook.
2. **Motion to approve previous meeting's minutes**, made by Michael, approved.
3. **Report of the chair:** John reports a slow calendar from the section's perspective, and that we did help with the sound workshop in Prince Albert.
4. **Call for new board members –** Adam Parboosingh volunteers to join the board and is in by acclamation.
5. **Financial report:** From Michael. The bank account has started the year with $700 more than last, owing to not fully spending our funding from National. Regular expenses are the zoom subscription and bank fees. We did provide $400 to help fund the aforementioned sound workshop. At the time, the bank account has approx. $1300. Rick makes a motion to approve the report, Celeste seconds, approved.
6. **Region reports**
    a. Winnipeg: Mike reports that our sole event was the annual meet and greet, spear-headed by Donnie. Also notes that PTE has hired Shannon Guile to help develop a strategy for training and retention of backstage professionals. Lastly, Royal MTC's prop shop has joined the local chapter of IATSE, local 63.
    b. Regina: John and Celeste note a large shuffle of technicians, especially audio techs. Celeste notes Conexus and the local had a joint 'stage hand 101' afternoon course in 2023 and says there may be interest in the near future. The Globe Theatre is finishing their first season back since renovating, and that there was a show in there from the 4th year U of R students with really impressive design and execution and hopes that relationship continues between the University and Globe. Rick was able to visit the U of R (visited Mason), and noted that he Mason is hoping to have U of R folks come up to visit the U of S.
    c. Saskatoon: Rick reports the 80th anniversary of the drama department at U of S (a non-CITT event, but still noteworthy).
7. **Rick is confirmed as Chair** of the section following this meeting, having been elected Chair-Elect by the board previously. Thank you John for your terms of service as Chair. John now becomes Past Chair. Michael will lead a change of access to our RBC account wherein Rick Boychuk (and Adam Parboosingh, who will become Vice Chair per notes further in this document) will be added; and that John Dyck and Craig Langlois are to be removed from the account since they are no longer officers. John will handle passing along credentials for the chair email, zoom, social media accounts.

8. **New Business:**
    - **a.** Student membership: John notes that though we have made decent contact with the universities, it hasn't translated into student membership yet. Rick talked with the communications committee from National, and hears that the student membership initiative about related to waiving fees for student is not anticipated before the next rendezvous.
    - **b.** Programming: Michael suggests an in-person Qlab session in Winnipeg would be helpful (sort of to match last year's in Saskatchewan). Adam (who is the department chair at the U of W) is hoping that the U of W can have 3 sessions within the year: Qlab, ETC programming and Vectorworks. Adam is thinking 2-day events for each, for U of W students but potentially open to the community. Mike discussed that CITT may be able to use some its programming budget roughly 3x $100.
9. **Rendezvous 2027**
   Rendezvous 2027 is confirmed to be happening in Winnipeg. Adam notes that the U of W is excited to be pitch in whichever hosting needs they can. John notes that we should be reaching out to North-Western Ontario (potentially up to Thunder Bay). Rick notes that in general incorporating NW Ontario could be a long-term goal and at the seciton's inception it was discussed and decided to be set aside for a later time (at the time).
   Rick notes that National does the bulk of the organizing, and to not put too much time into organizing any workshops before the call for such events is put out. Adam suggests any Prairie members in attendance at this year's event have a debrief with Ottawa Rendezvous organizers about the best way of working together with National.
10. **Other Business**
    - a. Mike notes that we haven't been able to reach newer board member Pat Davidson to attend meetings, and John reports similar. John is likely to visit the Dekker centre in person and hopes to get a chance to see him in person.\
    - b. Celeste notes that Regina has several large events in the upcoming season (Foo Fighters concert, etc), and that the need for technicians will likely be larger than the local can provide. They are likely to call neighbouring jurisdictions, and in similar previous situations were able to pay for travel and accommodations
11. **Adjournment** at 3:49pm

BOARD MEETING FOLLOWING AGM

John Dyck (Past chair), Michael Duggan (Secretary Treasurer), Rick Boychuk (Chair), Shauna Jones (board member), Celeste Pinder (board member), Adam Parboosingh (new board member)
Regrets: Donnie Osler, Pat Davidson

This meeting confirmed the officers:
Rick Boychuk – Chair
Michael Duggan – continuing as Secretary Treasurer
Adam Parboosingh – volunteered as Vice Chair
Members at Large: John Dyck (past chair), Celeste Pinder, Shauna Jones, Pat Davidson, Donnie Osler