

**The Minutes of the meeting of the Lothian & Borders Branch of  
The Royal Scottish Pipe Band Association  
Held in Polbeth Village Hall, Polbeth  
On Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2019**

John Hughes, President	Peoples Ford Boghall & Bathgate Caledonia
A. Dalziel, Vice Chairman	Wallacestone and District
A. Hazzard, Secretary	City of Edinburgh
B. Watt, Trophy Convenor	Peoples Ford Boghall & Bathgate Caledonia
P. Hazzard, Minute Secretary	City of Edinburgh
V. McMorrان	Glencorse
W. Dalziel	Wallacestone and District
G. Cameron	Camelon and District
D. Martin	Scottish Fire & Rescue
T. Thomson	Peoples Ford Boghall & Bathgate Caledonia
C. Reid	Scottish Fire and Rescue Gd 2
L.A. Riad	Peoples Ford Boghall and Bathgate Caledonia
M. Brown-Scott	Scottish Fire and Rescue
E. Todd	Denny and Dunipace Gleneagles
D. Todd	Denny and Dunipace Gleneagles
E. Orr	Craigmount
K. Reid	Scottish Fire and Rescue
M. O'Neill	Police Fife Scotland
Stuart Orr	The Royal Scots Dragoon Guards

**Apologies** I. Simpson, M. Binder, E. Scott, N. Henderson

**Welcome:**

**Minutes**

The Minutes of the January Meeting Meeting were Proposed by Scottish Fire and Rescue  
Seconded by Peoples Ford Boghall and Bathgate Caledonia.

**Matters arising:**

There were no matters arising.

**Secretary's report:**

Entries for the indoors are very slow in coming in.

There was some discussion around whether a grade C solo piper could enter our juvenile solo contest and we were informed that a grade C solo piper can only enter adult contests.

**Treasurer's report:**

Our Treasurer gave her report, details are available from our secretary by request.

## **Directors report:**

Directors have agreed to have a Facebook Page for the Association.  
Marketing and Media will look at revamping The R.S.P.B.A. website.  
Meeting dates will go onto the website.

There will be no change to the Worlds format for 2019.

There will be a review of the World Solo drumming as there is every year.

There was discussion on the Grade 1 qualifying on the Friday and it was proposed that Grade 1 Pipe Majors are asked for their views.

## **Music Board Report**

There has not been a meeting since last report.

The Convenors have stood down and their and their positions have still to be filled.

## **Stewards Report**

Allocations for Stewards for the major championships are out.

## **Education**

Nothing to report

## **Trophies**

It has been agreed that the trophy in memory Keith Westhead will go ahead and will be put into the North Berwick contest.

## **Outdoor Contests**

The Dunbar contest will go ahead as planned.

North Berwick are happy that the Branch will take on the costs for the confined contest.

There was some confusion with the Ross Bandstand being double booked for the day of the Edinburgh but it has been confirmed that the Edinburgh contest will go ahead as planned on front of the Ross Bandstand and it was asked if we could give the dates for the next two years.

## **Indoor Contest:**

We still have had no confirmation of the costs for the hire of the school this year.

We will notify other branches of the date for the Willie Fergusson contest and ask if they have any entrants for this contest.

Meeting closed 19.00

Next Meeting 31 March 2019