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BOARD MEETING

Minutes of GFW Board Meeting Monday 17th August 2015

Meeting held at 6:30 p.m., John Wheatley Building, Kevin College Glasgow

Present:	Fenella Rennie (Chair)	Cliff Uney (Secretary)
	Ronnie Melrose (Treasurer)	Finlay Allison
	John Hill	Doreen Semple
	Rita Warrilaw	Mike Turner
	Caroline Watson (Administrator) – Minutes	

Apologies: Craig Macdonald, Nigel Gatherer, Daniel Thorpe

1. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

Creative Scotland Grant - Though no longer a Board member, Virginia will pursue this to completion.

Tutor Training – Positive feedback was received from everyone. Training was a reminder of priorities and techniques. Next session is to be held on a Wednesday and in January

Marketing - Board discussed potential initiatives for marketing.
Accordion Showcase on 25th October 2015. Alan Shute attending and John Carmichael will be MC. Possible to have a stand at the showcase and members could volunteer to attend. The showcase could give tickets to GFW at a cost of £5 to be sold on at £10/£8

Schools & Local Area – Katherine will receive a fee to go around the schools with flyers and instruments. Suggested Agnes could accompany her. Leaflet could also be dropped in the local area, eg. libraries and other community sites. A FlashMob could be done in the Forge – would need to get permission, it needs experienced players to take part and volunteer members to distribute flyers.

25th Anniversary Celebrations: - Roy Kavanagh has contacted Finlay to let him know that he has approached the Royal Concert Hall for Aug 2016 with the potential of a 25th Anniversary GFW Showcase as a fundraiser for GFW. This would include past and

present tutors who would be asked to play at no fee. It could include a Come and Try stall. Finlay will update the Board as details are confirmed.

GFW Souvenir Book – Nigel is going to produce a souvenir book where tutors could write a tune or provide a tune to be included in the book. Jo Miller has been asked to write the Forward. Would included information on the significance of GFW. All profits to GFW. Board welcomed the idea and asked that the book include tunes that reflected all instruments learned at GFW.

2. Senior Tutor Update - Finlay
Finlay will miss enrolment nights. Nigel to Monday/Dan on Wednesday for 1 hour
Finlay on holiday so will miss the first week of classes.
Monday – Ukulele ABS – taken by Findlay Napier
All other Ukulele classes will go into one class to be taken by Ian Murray/Martin McLaughlin.

3. Finance Report - Ronnie
Funds are in a slightly better position that forecast so GFW in good financial position.

Cliff noted that GFW is required by law to display its Company Registration on the outside of the office door.

4. Enrolment Nights
Monday: Cliff, Doreen, Fenella, Ronnie, Nigel and Caroline
Wednesday: Doreen, Cliff, Fenella, Craig

5. Any other Business

Celtic Connections - Doreen has taken over the organising of Celtic Connections. She plans to begin early preparations.

Classes - Harmonica - There has been 11 notes of interest in the class.

Ceilidh Band – due to low numbers the class has been cancelled.

GFW Name - Board discussed the name of GFW and that it can be confusing for people who assume the fiddle is the only instrument taught. Suggestion for the organisation to be known by its initials only, GFW or change the name to Glasgow Folk Workshop as an alternative.

Year End Events – Potential to change end of year events and combine the concert and ceilidh night as one event.

6. Date of next meeting: Monday 7th September, 6:30pm