

Special Board Workshop Meeting  
9/9/2024 8:30pm via Microsoft Teams

Attendance: Amanda Morong/President, Tracy Bissonnette/Vice President, Kayla Dorey/Treasurer, Christine Mecham/Secretary, Courtney Shay/Registrar, Jeremy Lizzotte/Comp Coordinator, Jane Wiseman/Scarborough, Lindsey Mayo/Scarborough, Nicole Marceau/Scarborough, Susan Hartnett/Lead Official.

1. Jane Wiseman/Scarborough requested to attend and discuss Scarborough Invitational scheduling
  - a. Discussed issues with MPA moving high school regionals which forced Cheers from the Heart to displace Scarborough the weekend before Feb school vacation.
  - b. Board decision was made to award Scarborough the Classic in 2023 given the displacement
  - c. Spring 2023 meeting resulted in a membership vote to award the 2024 Classic to Scarborough.
  - d. Various issues prompted the Board to take a deep dive into our ByLaws and Policies and Procedures to ensure all previous decisions by Membership were documented as we discovered many were not.
  - e. Board formally presented the pre-COVID procedure of the application process to Membership at the 2024 Spring meeting. This was discussed and accepted by Membership.
  - f. Scarborough voiced concerns with the communication and the timeline of decisions made by the Board and expressed ethical concerns with the Board following a process that had not formally been added to the Policies and Procedures.
  - g. Due to facility limitations and other issues, Scarborough was only able to host on 3/29/25 and requested Board assistance with finding a solution.
  - h. Decision agreed upon by all attendees to continue the conversation in the coming days with the goal of finding a solution as soon as possible so all organizations could prepare accordingly.

**Post meeting Action:**

Board discussed and reviewed the pros/cons of numerous different scenarios that would allow the majority of hosts an opportunity to hold an event in 2025. Board made the decision that reverting the Classic and Showcase to the hosts who ran them in 2024 was the least impactful and fit with the facility availability of the organizations who would be impacted:

Showcase - Lisbon will move back to classic from their new 2/22/25 date

Classic - Firehouse will move back to their 2/22/25 date and Scarborough will host.

Bath - Bath will work with Susan for a new date.

All parties were notified the week of 9/16/24.

**Board decision was made to table the remaining agenda items to the next workshop.  
Date selected for 9/24/24 via Teams.**