



## RSPBA North West England Branch

Minutes of the meeting at Padgate Community Centre on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2010

P Brown	Secretary
J Thomson	Chairman
C Eyre	President, Treasurer & Webmaster
T Brown	Music Board representative
P Brown	National Council representative

Apologies were received from:-

The Chairman – Recovering from illness

Music Board – Theresa is returning from Edinburgh following the Archie Kenneth Competition.

Bands represented at the GM:-

City of Sheffield Pipe Band

Wirral Pipe Band

Warrington Pipe Band 2004

Greater Manchester Pipe Band

Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service Pipe Band.

Chorley Pipe Band

Oldham Scottish Pipe Band

### **Minutes of previous meeting presented in summary**

Minutes agreed.

Proposed Oldham and Scottish Pipe Band

Seconded Warrington Pipe Band 2004

Voted Unanimous

### **Matters Arising / Ongoing / Completed from previous meetings**

We need to keep the bands in the branch as we are on the RSPBA boarder line. West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue need to pay their subscription, and Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service have registered their Grade 4 band.

The branch has no entries for the 2010 W Ferguson Competition.

### **Secretaries Reports**

The Secretary has nothing to report this month.

### **Treasurers Report**

The Solos made a £225 profit. We must thank Owen Nash and his team for running the raffle which made a substantial proportion of this profit. Planning ahead and keeping costs low has made a good start to this years indoor competitions.

### **Music Board Report.**

No additional Music Board correspondence to report as the next meeting is after the AGM.

### **National Council**

All bands should have received their 2010 order papers, please attend the AGM it is important that you register your views.

### **AOB**

Competitions we have the adjudicators and have firmed up the Competition dates and venues (see web site):-

Trio 20<sup>th</sup> March. - City of Sheffield Pipe Band – South Yorkshire Fire Training Centre

Mini Bands 10<sup>th</sup> April.- Wirral Pipe Band – St Patricks School

Draw:-

7<sup>th</sup> March – Trios

28<sup>th</sup> March – Mini Bands.

Fire Training Centre @ Chorley may be available for the 2011 competitions to keep travelling down for bands in the branch.

GMF&R (R Brown) asked if in the Trios the juveniles should be registered with the same band, the response was yes; however, if on the day GMF&R were the only entry there should be no conflict

The meeting closed @ 13:30 to allow the draw for the Trio's to take place.

P L Brown  
Branch Secretary  
Minutes Secretary