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The Treasurer, Bill McAdie reported that the banquet at the Stanley Park Sports Pavilion, was a financial success and showed a profit of \$14.97.

The following matters pertaining to the Indoor Meet were dealt with:

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M/S McPhail, McAdie "That we have the Open Sword Dance for competition at the Meet.

Carried.

The following names were submitted for the judging panel:

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The mover and the seconder (MacKenzie, McAdie) of the motion "That local judges be used at the Indoor Meet" agreed to withdraw the motion.

The following committees were appointed for the Meet:

Chief Steward	Alistair Baillie (to appoint own com)
Scorer	Georgina MacPhail
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Prize	D. Urquhart, President & Secretary
Door	C. MacKenzie

M/S MacPhail, MacLeod "That in the event we are able to arrange free transportation for Duncan or MacNeil through TCA, that we pay a fee of \$100.00.

Carried.

It was suggested that the secretary contact Ian Inkster to judge the next Bi-monthly competition.

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M/S MacPhail, MacKenzie "That we insure the Armoury for the Meet, the premium to be \$55.00."

Carried.

The following members were elected to membership:

Mrs. V. Bennie	Donald MacAulay
Robert Young	Garnet Snow
Ian MacDougall	

John MacLeod reporting on the accoustics, said that from information he had received, that the hanging of flags would not help the problem, that the sound would only travel through them.

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Carried.

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Carried.

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The Treasurer gave an interim report of the Indoor Meet. He reported that we were a little ahead over the previous year, our deficit this year being \$247.98.

The price of the programs for the Indoor Meet was discussed. It was suggested that we might have a less elaborate program, with perhaps a souvenir program issued every five years.

M/S McAdie, Esson "That a honorarium of \$50.00 be given to Jack MacGregor, the Armoury caretaker, for his assistance during the Meet."

Carried.

M/S Esson, MacLeod "That we pay the Seaforth's \$30.00, this being our share of the cost of the seating."

Carried.

Ed. Esson consented to judge the next Bi-monthly competition.

There was a discussion regarding the possibility of holding drumming competitions, on a similar basis as the piping at the Bi-monthly Competitions. It was the feeling of the meeting that this type of competition was not in the field of this Association.

M/S MacLeod, MacVicar "That the matter of Drumming Competitions be tabled."

Carried.

M/S Esson, Duncan "That we donate \$50.00 to the Vancouver Ladies' Pipe Band for their 1961 Festival."

Carried.

The following applications for membership were received:

Hugh Lamont	Associate Member
Wm. Lookie	Active "
T.A. Richardson	Associate "
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M/S MacKensie, Esson "That these applicants be accepted into the membership."

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Net Gain for year	\$2,817.64

M/S Mumford, MacLean "That the Treasurer's report be accepted.
Carried.

M/S Mumford, MacPhail "That the Trustee's report be accepted.

In the Election of Officers for the ensuing year, Ian Walker was unanimously elected President. Charles MacKenzie, unanimously elected Vice-President.

The following members were nominated (those marked X elected) for the Board of Directors:

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W. McAdie	X	G. Cameron	
D. Murray	X	R. Young	
J. MacLeod	X	E. Esson	X
A. MacLean		A. Duncan	X
G. MacPhail	X	N. Nicholson	
H. Mumford		G. Allan	X
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The following is a list of members present at the Annual Meeting:

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I have only a few suggestions for the Association for the future. I am of the opinion that we are wise in investing our assets for the eventual purchase of our own building, but I feel that the acquisition of the building is still several years away. I do not think that we should make such a step without careful thought and I would counsel you to consider this whole matter very carefully and would appreciate hearing your comments about it in the future.

Although the suggestion is made annually that we move our indoor meet to a place with better accoustics, the matter never gets past the suggestion stage. No one seems able to make a good alternative suggestion. I am of the opinion that we are extremely fortunate in having such excellent facilities as those of the Seaforth Armoury, and although the accoustics are less than perfect, in general the gatherings are successful. I feel that we would be foolish in changing our locale especially considering the hospitable and friendly reception which we receive with the Seaforths.

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Balance Sheet
As at March 31, 1961

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Auditors	J. McHardy
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M/S MacPhail, MacDougall "That the dues of \$17.50 be paid to the Pacific International Highland Games Association." Carried.

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The President reported that he had inspected the platforms with your secretary and Mr. Yandle of the B.C.H.D.A. and that they had received a bit of hard usage. It was agreed to have Herman's Floor Finishers resurface the platforms for the sum of \$30.00.

M/S MacPhail, MacDougall "That the rental bill of \$50.00 for the platforms be paid."

Carried.

The meeting agreed to spend \$20.00 for our usual add in the St. Andrew's & Caledonian Games Program.

The Honourable Frank M. Ross replied to our invitation, by accepting the position of Honorary President.

The secretary was asked to write Mrs. Maxwell, Mr. Ross's secretary for his proper titles.

The President reported that the Kiwana's Pipe Band would be playing for us at the next Bi-monthly Competition. It was agreed to have soft drinks supplied for their refreshment.

The following list of piping judges were selected for the International Games.

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The drumming judges suggested were:

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There was a discussion of having a March, Strath, & Reel Competition included in next Year's Games. The matter was tabled until the winter meetings to be dealt with.

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The secretary was asked to reply to these communications.

The following applicants were accepted into the membership:

John Low, 950 Falkland Rd., Victoria

John Arnold Stone, 3208 Laurel St., Vancouver.

There was a discussion regarding the combining the Amateur and Sr. Amateur classes into one class, due to the lack of competitors in each of these classes. The matter being fully discussed the meeting decided to have these classes remain as they were for another year.

The meeting agreed to hold a Ceilidh at which the prizes for the Bi-monthly competitions would be awarded, and to have the usual varied program for entertainment.

M/S McAdie, MacVicar "That the bank account be transferred to the Denman and Robson Sts. branch of the Bank of Commerce."

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President

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