



Membership Policy

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About the Society

Peach City Community Radio Society (PCCRS) is a registered, non-profit society registered with the Province of British Columbia. The society is currently working towards obtaining a CRTC license, a broadcast station location in Penticton BC, a broad base of trained volunteers and the funds required to facilitate a full-time on-air broadcast via FM radio and online streaming.

The current members are a group of passionate volunteers motivated to provide fresh and unique radio broadcasting for Penticton area residents. Programming will showcase the works of local musicians, artists, writers and authors - anyone who contributes to the well-being of the community.

The PCCRS mandate is to reflect the needs and interests of listeners. It will offer training opportunities to teach members to become community broadcasters. Community members are encouraged to use their passion, community pride and skills to build comprehensive programming for Penticton.

PCCRS goals include:

- Raising awareness of local issues that current private radio does not have the ability to cover in depth
- Being a voice for the disenfranchised and marginalized groups in our city with proactive outreach programs
- To be an advocate for children and youth
- To showcase events in our community
- Providing an educational component to better inform listeners of local and world events
- Launching the careers of would-be announcers by providing professional training to dramatically raise each person's confidence and self-esteem
- Acting as the ears and voice of our community;
- Giving people of all political stripes an opportunity to be heard
- Promoting small businesses that are the key to making Penticton distinct and vibrant.

Society Structure

PCCRS is run entirely by its dedicated group of members. Members design and broadcast their show ideas, help with fundraisers, help with administration, help at events, and with new content. Members agree to follow the guidelines listed in this membership policy to uphold the constitution of the Society and to comply with the bylaws of the Society. A copy of this document, the PCCRS Constitution and Bylaws are available upon request.

Members

Membership fees are as follows:

- Adult \$25/year
- Student \$10/year
- Fixed Income \$10/year

Membership is valid for 1 year from date of payment.

Members may enroll/renew online, or provide a membership form with payment.

Members will be contacted one month in advance of their renewal date.

PCCRS is an inclusive organization hoping to provide access to community radio to all interested parties. Those unable to purchase a membership may apply in writing to the Membership coordinator to have annual membership fees waived. The Board of Directors will review these requests regularly.

Benefits of membership:

- Support the community, local artists and help to put Peach City Radio on the airwaves.
- Have a vote at the Annual General Meeting (AGM)
- Opportunity to participate on any of the PCCRS committees
- Enrolment in member-only E-Casts that keep members up to date on all PCCRS activities
- Take advantage of training opportunities offered by the society
- Take advantage of exclusive offers for members (entry to events, contests, etc...)
- Members may submit produced radio shows to be hosted on the PCCRS website or to air during short term special event broadcasts
- Members receive a Peach City Radio membership card and sticker

Should a member fail to submit membership fees on or before renewal date, he/she will be considered a member 'not in good standing'. Members not in good standing will

receive membership reminders and notices of Special or Annual General Meetings for a maximum of 12 months. All other privileges of membership will be suspended until renewal payment is made. After 12 months of membership not in good standing, membership to the Society will be revoked.

Board of Directors

A Board of Directors governs the society and is elected at the Annual General Meeting in the fall. For more information on the PCCRS Board, please consult the Board of Directors Election Policy.

Interested persons are encouraged to run for board positions after the minimum membership requirements are met. To run for President, a member must have retained membership in good standing for a minimum of 12 consecutive months immediately preceding the AGM in which they are running. For all other elected positions, a member must have retained membership in good standing for a minimum of 6 months immediately preceding the AGM in which they are running. Members without these requirements may proceed as long as the membership present at the AGM ratifies the nomination by a 2/3 majority.