

Annual General Meeting

Fredericton, N.B. Friday, September 29, 2006 and Sunday, October 1, 2006

Meeting Minutes

Friday, September 29, 2006

1.0 Call to order by the President: 3:35 p.m. ADT

2.0 Appointment of Parliamentarian Lori Johnstone

• Moved by Howard Sculnick – Ten Pin Bowling, seconded by Sheila Turner - Rugby

3.0 Recognition of Special Guests

• Deidre Dionne, Alexa Loo, Iain Brambell – Canadian Olympic Committee Athletes

Council

- Atila Ozaplan Canadian Olympic Committee
- Wallen Hang-Chong Sport Canada
- Daniel Bourdeau True Sport
- Lori Johnstone Chair, Local Organizing Committee
- Sandra Gage ESTEEM Team Association
- Julie Duranceau SDRCC

4.0 Approval of agenda

 Moved by Jason Myslicki – Nordic Combined, seconded by Tonia Timperley -Taekwondo

5.0 Election of Directors (Erik Petursson)

- Four Board positions up for election
- Nominees are Trevino Betty, Claire Carver Dias, Dominique Vallee, Scott Sandison, Adam Trupish, Raj Misir
- Jason Myslicki self nominated from the floor
- Each nominee will have two minutes to speak to voters, all athlete reps will have four votes and the four nominees with the most votes will be elected
- Board commitments include monthly conference calls, three Board meetings (Ottawa in January, Forum site in June and Forum in September)
- All delegates were encouraged to be in attendance for Sunday morning elections
- Deadline for nominations is Sunday, October 1 at 9:00a.m.

Motion to table elections until Sunday, October 1, 2006

• Moved by Sheila Turner - Rugby, seconded by Iain Brambell - Rowing

6.0 Approval of minutes from AthletesCAN Annual General Meeting, October 1, 2005

• Moved by Raj Misir - Cricket, seconded by Alexa Loo – Snowboard

7.0 Business arising from previous minutes: None

8.0 Report of the President (Michael Smith):

- See 2005-2006 Annual Report
- AthletesCAN is focusing on getting back to basics and on reconnecting with partners in sport (athletes, NSOs, MSOs)
- Another focus is the creation of an international athlete declaration in partnership with the British Athletes Commission

Motion to accept the Report of the President as presented

• Moved by Tara Mullins - Squash, seconded by Ryan Weicker - Wrestling

9.0 Presentation and approval of Financial Statements (Aaron Lowe)

Motion to approve the Financial Statements as presented

 Moved by Lesley Hawker – Figure Skating, seconded by Nathaniel Miller – Water polo

Motion to appoint auditors Maurice Fex, CGA

• Moved by Alec Denys - Archery, seconded by Pauline Van Roessel - Rowing

10.0 New Business

10.1 Erin Carter – Cycling, put forward a motion for AthletesCAN delegates to support the Halifax 2014 Commonwealth Games bid

Motion tabled to Sunday in order to hear the Commonwealth Games presentation Saturday morning.

10.2 AthletesCAN President Michael Smith announced this will be his final meeting as President

- Acknowledged Boards he has worked with over his time on the Board, members of the sport community who have helped/inspired him along the way, AthletesCAN staff, and athletes who have allowed him to do what he has done and work on their behalf for so many years
- Noted that it is time for a new leader to step up
- Encouraged others to join AthletesCAN

10.3 Raj Misir – Cricket, acknowledged that AthletesCAN would not be where it is without people like Michael Smith and thanked Michael for all he's done.

10.4 Meeting recessed until Sunday, October 1, 2006 at 9:00 a.m.

• Moved by Suzanne Weckend - Triathlon, seconded by Sheila Turner - Rugby

Sunday, October 1, 2006

11.0 Call to order: 9:20a.m. ADT

12.0 Motion to reopen AGM from Friday, September 29, 2006

 Moved by Claire Carver-Dias – Synchronized Swimming, seconded by Pauline Van Roessel - Rowing

13.0 Election

13.1 Call for any final nominations from the floor (repeated three times)

- Susanne Weckend's nomination was submitted after the close of the AGM on Friday
- No nominations from the floor were put forward
- Nominations were closed

13.2 Review of voting procedures

- Nominees will have two minutes each to address the delegates
- Speeches will be followed by a question and answer period
- Voting delegates are to put an X beside four names and the four nominees with the most votes will be elected

13.3 Appointment of scrutineers Amanda Kieswetter and Shane Henry from the Sport Solution

 Moved by Kailee Klemmensen - Ringette, seconded by Marie Eve Marleau – Diving.

13.4 Introduction of nominees

 Final list of nominees: Trevino Betty – Athletics, Claire Carver-Dias – Synchronized Swimming, Raj Misir – Cricket, Jason Myslicki – Nordic Combined, Scott Sandison – Field Hockey, Adam Trupish – Boxing, Dominique Vallee – Windsurfing, Suzanne Weckend - Triathlon

13.5 Nominees speeches

- Each nominee was given two minutes to address the delegates
- Adam Trupish and Dominique Vallee were not in attendance, so their applications were read by Aaron Lowe and Erik Petursson
- A brief question and answer period was held
- Questions included: What is the biggest issue facing athletes and how do you purpose to close that gap?

13.6 Voting

• All eligible delegates voted

14.0 True Sport Presentation

• Daniel Bordeau from True Sport presented AthletesCAN with True Sport banners to hang in the office signed by athlete delegates in attendance at the Forum

15.0 Prize presentation

• Lori Johnstone presented awards to Saturday night event winners

16.0 Minister Chong focus group meeting (lain Brambell)

- Report on the focus group session held by federal Sport Minister Michael Chong with 15 selected athletes on Saturday, September 30
- Topics discussed included the creation of an independent sport ministry, immigration and athletes, educating parents and teachers, Road to Excellence and increased athlete funding
- Complete notes will be sent to all delegates following Forum

17.0 Motion from Friday for AthletesCAN delegates to support Halifax's bid for the 2014 Commonwealth Games

 Moved by Suzanne Weckend – Triathlon, seconded by Scott Sandison – Field Hockey

18.0 Announcement of elections

• Electees are Claire Carver-Dias – Synchronized Swimming, Trevino Betty - Athletics, Scott Sandison – Field Hockey, Jason Myslicki – Nordic Combined

Motion to destroy ballots

Moved by Sheila Turner - Rugby, Howard Sculnick – Ten Pin Bowling

19.0 Motion to Adjourn

• Moved by Tonia Timperley - Taekwondo, seconded by Karlene Haughton - Athletics