



Badminton Manitoba Annual General Meeting

Thursday, September 29, 2022

1. Call to order. Confirmation of quorum. Review of agenda.
 - Called to order at 7:17 PM by President Barrington Nichols and confirmation of quorum (24)
 - Attendance – In person: Justin Friesen, Barrington Nichols, Renee Kunka, Marj Niemi, Melanie Cure, Lionel Cure, Cadin Dupasquier, Yuns Oh, Mariette DeGagne, Cheryl Bartel
 - Attendance – Virtually: Adam Morin, Alice Cure, Chrissy Kelly, Elliott Beals, Gurmeet Jassal, Hartley Wiebe, Jasmine Huerling, Josee Cure, Katrina Poirier, Kyi Nichols, Lukas Hedley, Mark Shinnie, Maxine Cure, Paisley Poirier, Pat Morin, Zoe Pratt, Chris Wiebe, Ryan Giesbrecht, Emalia Sinclair, Ashley Woods
 - Review of Agenda. Agenda passed.
2. Approval of minutes of 2021 AGM
 - Motioned by Yuns; seconded by Lionel. Motion passed
 - No business arising from 2021 minutes
3. Approval of 2021 audited financial statement
 - Audited report was not ready for 2021 AGM so only a financial statement was presented
 - Final 2021 audited financial report presented
 - Motioned by Yuns; seconded by Cheryl. Motion passed
4. President's Report – Barrington Nichols
 - 2022 – Gave thanks to players, parents, officials, coaches, clubs, MBA staff & Board for sticking it out through COVID.
 - We got back on court and saw tournaments being played both existing and new ones developed
 - The growth of MBA at the grass roots level was the focus on MBA Staff & Board
 - Motion to accept the president's statements by Yuns; seconded by Mel. Motion passed
5. Executive Director Report – Melanie Cure
 - Challenges – community use permits, membership numbers/demographics, membership
 - Highlights – Junior Regional Challenge, School Badminton Initiatives, School of Badminton, Speaker Series, Community Series, New Club Membership Structure
 - New 2022 – 2023 – updated tournament circuit, technical development, governance, School of Badminton (Grown Ups, Para/Competition expanded, Regional Teams, collaboration with MCAC)
 - Motion to accept ED Report – Yuns; seconded by Mariette. Motion passed

6. Provincial Coach Report – Justin Friesen

- Team Manitoba – Kevin, Kyi, Emalia, Serenity, Kiren
- CWG overlapped with Team Manitoba
- Regional Challenge replaced the Manitoba Games Badminton – added U13 and U19
- CWG final tryouts completed waiting to finalize the roster with a male alternate. Marj as manager, Kyler and Brad as apprentice coaches
- Kevin on the grass roots stuff
- Coach Development looking at regional training courses
- 2023 Nationals and Para Nationals are in Winnipeg
- Get Regional Teams up and running
- Marj motion to accept; seconded by Yuns. Motion passed

7. Technical Development Report – Kevin Barkman

- 21/22 - facilitator training and evaluator, BWF training, and Umpire training thanks to Marj
- Aboriginal Coaching Module (ACM)
- Behind the scenes tournament help
- Tournament restructuring with Paul, looking at and researching other jurisdictions
- Para Expo in Brandon
- Team Manitoba - helped coach with Justin when needed
- Preparing for upcoming season
- Oversaw summer camps
- Motion to accept by Yuns; seconded by Marj. Motion passed

8. Financial Report and Audit for 2021/2022

- Accountant was seriously ill during the season. Melanie connected with Linda 4 weeks ago and confirmed she would not be able to do our books
- Sport Manitoba financial person has been helping Mel to get the finances done
- Motion to audit Financial statement by November 30 and will be looking at getting a new accountant but should retain the existing auditor, Tony, for another year
- Special Resolution for a special meeting to take place by November 30 for the financial statement
- Motion to accept by Renee; seconded by Barrington. Motioned passed

9. Electronic Meetings

- Melanie said our bylaws did not have electronic/virtual meetings show after speaking with Sport Manitoba that electronic/virtual meetings be enshrined, and this year Robert's rule of order allowed this
- If we want a board that is more diverse, this will help
- Motion moved by the Badminton Manitoba membership with the addition of bylaw that virtual meetings can be held using the same formal structure
- Motion to accept by Yuns; seconded by Renee. Motion passed

10. Directors' terms

- Resolution #3 passed at the AGM of Badminton Canada for length of role on Board, proposal for length of term is 4 or President/Vice President/Secretary/Treasurer for 5 terms. Mel proposes that MBA follow
- Ryan voices that 6 years is the standard length for terms; prevents things from becoming stale/ stagnant, allows onboarding of new ideas. Currently you can come back after a one-year break.
- Gurmeet says the change of role could lead to new ideas through a new lens. It does not mean they have to stick around for the extra terms. Particularly in a different role
- Ryan said that in some situations that a special resolution to keep someone on longer if the need is necessary
- Chrissy says that this is a long term for a board compared to other boards
- Yuns acknowledges that getting candidates for executive positions is tough; alternating terms to three and four years is a necessity
- Barrington comments it is volunteer position and if they members do not work out can be voted off/ removed
- Justin said we don't know what we will get as board members
- Motion to append the motion to three terms and four terms for the four executive positions, motioned by Lionel; seconded by Yuns. Motion passed

11. Other business

- Ryan asked why did the AGM motions and minutes come out so late including the AGM
- Yuns answered based on three bereavements and special circumstances around the finances

12. Nomination report

- Yuns is running for President
- Cheryl and Paul are running to renew as Directors.
- Renee Kunka, Mariette DeGagne, Adam Morin, and Michael Oman are running as new Directors
- Adam – is from Thompson, playing for 20 years, one of few in the north that can orchestrate badminton, bring something to the board everyone in the perimeter can't bring
- Mariette – playing badminton for many years. Left the sport, came back and looking to get more involved both as a player and beyond. Looking to put some hard work in
 - Question: is there a family connection between Melanie and Mariette.
Answer: Mel is her niece
 - Ryan suggests this a conflict of interest
- Renee – playing badminton for 25 years. Part of CWG selection committee; wants to be involved because my club has disbanded and wants to see better/more tournaments
- Michael did not attend
- Yuns – served on the Board for now three years; mid second term; currently Vice-President and likes the direction the board has gone. Been very difficult to implement anything through COVID.

- Motion as Yuns as President; seconded by Cheryl. Motion Passed
- No further nominations received. Current members up for another term are Cheryl and Paul. Cheryl and Paul stand for renewal as board members
 - Ryan does not support it
 - Motion to accept by Yuns; seconded by Renee. Motion passed
- As the maximum number of board members have not been reached, new applicants are automatically accepted
 - Applies to Renee, Mariette, Adam, and Michael.
 - Motion by Barrington; seconded by Lionel. Motion passed

13. Adjournment

- Renee motions to adjourn; seconded by Mariette