

Minutes of PEIPL AGM May 30 2015

- 1. Roll Call: Sam Arsenault, Tyler Ramsay, John MacDonald, Jill Sproul, Marian Johnston, Justin Smith
- 2. Nominations / Elections
 - a. Heather has resigned at VP but would like to take on a new position
 - b. Justin resigned as Director at Large
 - c. Heather was nominated as Director at Large and motion carried
 - d. John nominated Justin for VP and the motion carried
 - e. Motion carried to make Public Relations position an official executive position with Jill MacFarlane continuing to do this role
 - f. A new Referee Chairperson executive position was brought into effect through a motion and Justin was placed in this role
- 3. President's report by John MacDonald
 - a. Included John being a nominee for Sport PEI Athlete of the year and Brad winning male Master athlete of the year
- 4. Treasurer's report by Tyler
 - a. Projected expenses for the near future include a new platform or at a minimum new carpet for our platform, calibration of scales, repair of wireless lights
 - b. Reminder that our athletes need to request financial contribution for international competitions
 - c. We need to become registered as a not for profit group as of 2015 for CPU and Sport PEI reasons. Jill Sproul is researching this and Tyler's goal is to complete this process by end of August 2015.
- 5. Read Jill MacFarlane's PR report into the minutes. Reminder that athletes preparing for completion should contact her to request publicity.
- 6. Read proposed constitution changes:
- <u>To Revise:</u>

3.00.2 The Association shall be governed by an Executive Council, comprised of the elected positions of President, Vice President, Secretary, treasurer, director at large, and doping officer. Offices may be combined if sufficient members are not found to fill each office.

<u>To Add</u>: Executive Position of "*Officiating Chairperson*" which must be a referee of national rank or higher

Reasoning:

It is a CPU rule that each province must have an OC, whom is responsible for the testing of referees and act as the main contact in regards to referees. Heather Ayles is currently ours, but it is not a position in our bylaws. It should be added.

• <u>To add Bylaw:</u> 8.00 Equipment

- All equipment used in competition sanctioned by the PEIPLA shall meet the specifications stated in the official I.P.F. Technical Rules Handbook.

- Any equipment owned by the PEIPLA may be available to be borrowed by members if he/she meets the following criteria:

- He / She is in good standing with the PEIPLA
- There is good, valid reasoning
- He / She is willing to sign out the item by means of providing a written signature on the official document provided by the secretary. Before a signature is provided, the member must first agree to on all the criteria outlined in the document. The document must have the agreement of all members of the executive council.

Reasoning: Currently there is no criteria on the subject.

We need an accurate and up to date inventory of our physical assets before we can effectively manage them.

• <u>To Revise:</u>

4.00.1 The PAGM will take place in conjunction with the Annual Provincial Championships.

Revision:

4.00.1 The PAGM will take place on a date before the provided deadline to make submissions at the coming CPU AGM. Exact date of the PAGM is to be determined by the Executive Council and to occur **before the end of February**.

Reasoning: The last couple AGMs were not in conjunction with the Provincial Championships. It would be easier to select a date which would ensure all members of the EC will be present, and have time to make submissions to the upcoming CPU AGM. Now that the dates of nationals are changing to be earlier in the year, our PAGM must also make the appropriate changes. It would also give us more time to hold and be better prepared if the PAGM had its own separate date.

• <u>To Revise:</u> 6.00.1 Referees: General A) All PEIPLA referees shall be certified by achieving a passing mark of 95 percent or more on both the written examination and a practical examination which shall be administered by the President or shall be over seen by the President.

<u>Revision:</u> 6.00.1 Referees: General A) All PEIPLA referees shall be certified by achieving a passing mark of **90** percent or more on both the written examination and a practical examination which shall be administered by the **Officiating Chairperson** or shall be over seen by the **Officiating Chairperson**.

<u>Reasoning</u>: The standard set by the IPF and CPU is now a passing mark of 90% on the written examination. This should change for our provincial level as well. I think the old standard was 95%, so perhaps it went unnoticed.

The Officiating Chairperson must be responsible for the testing. It is their job duty. Also, there is no guarantee the president is a referee, which makes it impractical to be overseeing a referee test.

To add: 6.00.1 Referees: General

D) To be eligible to become a provincial referee, the candidate must have been a CPU member for a minimum of 2 years and be in good standing with the PEIPLA.

<u>Reasoning</u>: It ensures that the candidate has developed a general knowledge of the rules through experience of competing in the sport. We also discussed this already on the EC Facebook page and I don't remember anyone being in disagreement

<u>Discussion</u>: With our shortage of referees, maybe we should think of having an annual referee seminar like Heather suggested earlier to the EC. It would provide information to anyone interested in doing their exam. It could be held in conjunction with the AGM.

Another option to gain a few more referees would be to make ranks of provincial referees, like other provinces do. After serving so long as a category 2 (maybe 1 year, or after officiating a minimum of 2 meets), the candidate could then level up to be a category 1, which would be the rank we currently have.

To be a category 2 one would have to have been a CPU member for a minimum of 1 year, attend the seminar at the AGM, and have a separate passing percentage on a written exam than the category 1 (80% instead of 90% for example), or possibly even a different exam. He / She would also be limited to where they can officiate. I suggest open level meets only, and provincial if absolutely necessary; but only as a side referee.

7. Open Items from the floor

- a. Motion carried to create a new executive position for Jillian Sproul. Exact title of position is not finalized but the goal is to promote our sport and its growth as well as help manage committees.
- b. Tyler will forward a draft of a proposed new Harassment Policy to members for review. It is a requirement for some funding that we have such a policy in place.
- c. Motion carried to put in place a policy for reimbursing referees their CPU card fee when they referee their first meet in a given 12 month period. This means people will no longer be getting free CPU cards for holding a referees classification if they are inactive.

- d. Jill discussed selling PEIPL logo clothing as a fundraiser. She will research designs and prices.
- e. PEI Patches will be embroidered and distributed to provincial referees for uniform blazers.
- 8. Meeting adjourned at 4:02pm