



Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the British Columbia Ringette Association, held on Sunday, May 15, 2016 at the Resort Municipality of Sun Peaks, BC.

- 1) Meeting called to order by the Chair.
- 2) Approval of the 2016 Annual Report as corrected. Notice given to the membership by the BC Ringette Board of Directors that the 2016 Annual Report has been amended and the amended version was accepted by the Board of Directors in meeting held on May 15, 2016 at the Resort Municipality of Sun Peaks, immediately before the start of the Annual General meeting.
- 3) Chair appointed Colin Ensworth to adjudicate any vote taken at this meeting.
- 4) Roll call of the membership: The BC Ringette Association Sports Operations Manager reported that written notification had been received and duly confirmed that the following persons are authorized by the members of the Association to cast votes at the Annual General Meeting on behalf of the Association (18) or League (4) as noted:

Northern League-Georgina Scully	Lower Mainland League - Paul Payne
Thompson Okanagan League- Sean Russell	Island League - absent
Comox Valley Association - absent	Burnaby New Westminster - Liv Chan-Lai
Coquitlam-Port Moody Association- Amy Byrne	Delta - Craig Williams
Fraser Valley - Tanya Braithwaite	NorthWest Vancouver - Sarah Gorham
Port Coquitlam Ridge Meadows- Barb Mulligan	Richmond - Scott Robertson
Surrey White Rock - Denine Keogh	Vancouver - Jim Moore
Houston - Jen Williams	Prince George - Brenda Atkinson
Quesnel - Tod Anderson	Terrace - Peggy Pavao
Kelowna - Leslie Driscoll	Shuswap - Tobiah Riley
Greater Vernon - Paige Powls	Westside - Michelle Toulouse

- 5) Authentication of voting privileges: The BC Ringette Association Sports Operations Manager reported that all members had:
 - a) Received notice of the Annual General meeting in accordance with the By-laws.
 - b) Received notice of the vote on Special Resolutions on April 13, 2016.
 - c) Complied with membership requirements of the BC Ringette Association and all are in good standing.
- 6) Declaration of the Quorum. The Sports Operations Manager reported that the quorum was present.
- 7) Point of Order raised by the chair. Special Resolution to include the Directors of the Association in the BC Ringette Association By-laws at 2.1(c).

- a) Assent of the membership to no notice of a Special Resolution. Moved: Coquitlam. Second: Adjudicated ballot. Unanimous. Carried
- b) Special Resolution: Be it resolved that in the By-laws of the BC Ringette Association at Section 2, at 2.1, clause (c): *Directors of the Association* be added. Moved. PCRMRA. Second Richmond. Carried. Unanimous
- 8) Adoption of the Agenda: Moved Fraser Valley. Second Sushwap. Carried.
- 9) Approval of the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at Sun Peaks on May 24, 2015 as circulated. Moved PCRMRA. Second Vancouver. Carried
- 10) Approval of the Financial Statements as circulated with the Delegates meeting package. Moved Director Stanoffsky, Second Terrace. Carried
- 11) Approval of the Auditor for the 2016-2017 Financial Statement. Moved Director Stanoffsky. Second Burnaby New Westminster that KPMG be the auditor for BCRA for 2016-2017. Carried.
- 12) Reports from the Board liaisons to the Operational Committees contained in the Annual Report circulated:
 - a) Chair of the Board: Robert Tait
 - b) Sports Operations Manager: Colin Ensworth
 - c) Technical Coordinator: Nicole Robb
 - d) Finance Committee: Ms. Kelly Stanoffsky
 - e) Officiating Development: Mr. Darrell Desjardin
 - f) Provincial Programs and Tournament: Ms. Kim Taschuk
 - g) Canada Winter Games: Mr. Andrew Kemp and Ms. Nicole Robb
 - h) Coach Development: Ms. Laura Takasaki
 - i) Sport and Athlete Development: Ms. Nicole Robb
 - j) High Performance: Ms. Kelly Stanoffsky and Ms. Kim Taschuk
- 13) Special Resolutions:
 - a) Section B, Part 2: Definition of member. Withdrawn. Noted that the Special Resolution, if passed, would have made the BC Ringette Association By-laws not in accordance with provisions of the BC Society Act. Noted that the BC Societies Act, to come into force in November 2016, will permit the proposed changes. The membership will be given due notice of an extraordinary (electronic) general meeting pursuant to the By-Laws, section 3. The Special Resolution will be voted on in that meeting.
 - b) Presentation of the Special Resolutions: Move by CPMRA. Second by Kelowna, that the Special Resolutions as circulated to the membership concerning Section B Part 6 be severed into separate motions. Carried: unanimous.
 - c) Presentation of the Special Resolutions: Move by Director Dejardin, Second by Westside. Be it resolve that the Special Resolution to Section B, Part 6: Proceedings of Directors, clause (f) be changed to, *making policies and procedures for the making, receipt, investigation, hearing, and disposition of complaints made against, and the discipline of, Voting, excluding the Directors, and Non-Voting Members.* Carried.

d) Motion to amend the Special Resolutions to Section B, Part 6: Proceedings of Directors. Move by LMRL, Second by Sushwap. *Be it resolved that the Special Resolutions circulated to the membership be amended to add the following to the end of clauses (e) and (g): until December 31, 2016, or until the policies and procedures contemplated in clause (f) are implemented whichever comes first.* Carried

e) Section B, Part 6: Proceedings of Directors. Moved by CPMRA, Second by LMRL. Be it resolved that the BC Ringette Association By-Laws be amended at Section 6 at 6.2 to be:

Without limiting the generality of By-law 2, the Board's powers shall include without limitation:

- a. Making and amending policies, rules, financial policies and operating procedures for managing the affairs of the Association;
- b. Ensuring members adhere to the Association's policies, rules and operating procedures;
- c. Ensuring directions from general meetings are carried out; and
- d. Setting the financial policy of the Association.
- e. *Making decisions and taking actions to protect the interest of the sport of Ringette until December 31, 2016, or until the policies and procedures contemplated in clause f and g of this section are implemented, whichever comes first.*

Adjudicated vote: 27 eligible votes. 24 in favor. 2 abstentions noted: Vancouver and Director Kemp.

Motion carried.

c) Section B, Part 6: Proceedings of Directors. Moved by Terrace, Second by Shuswap, that Part 6 at 6.2 is further amended by adding clause (f): *making policies and procedures for the making, receipt, investigation, hearing, and disposition of complaints made against, and the discipline of, Voting, excluding the Directors, and Non-Voting Members* and clause (g): *Performing any other duties from time to time as may be in the best interests of the Association until December 31, 2016, or until the policies and procedures contemplated in clause (f) are implemented whichever comes first.*

Adjudicated vote: 27 eligible votes. 22 in favor (81%), 2 opposed: Kelowna, Delta. 3 abstentions noted: Vancouver, Richmond and Director Kemp.

Motion carried.

Members indicated their expectation that the Directors meet with the League Presidents at the earliest possible time to expedite a full and transparent explanation to the greater BC Ringette community of the plans to achieve the required changes to policy and procedures by 31 December 2016.

14) Election of Directors: The Sports Operations Manager advised the members that nominations for 4 vacant Directors had been made in accordance with the BC Ringette Association By-laws at Part 5. Four nominees were elected by acclamation:

Darrell Desjardin – 2 year term - incumbent

Kim Taschuk – 2 year term – incumbent

Maria Crawford – 2 year term.

Dennis Callaghan – 2 year term.

15) Other business:

- a) Changes to the BC Societies Act. Sports Operations Manager reminded the members that the BC Society Act is replaced by the BC Societies Act on 1 November 2016. BC Ringette Association will arrange for training in the BC Societies Act but it is the duty and responsibility of each member Association and League to ensure that, by the end of the two year grace period, they are in full compliance with the BC Societies Act.
- b) Association Colour change request, Chilliwack. Members approved in principle that Chilliwack Association move forward with green as their base colour and that Ringette BC continue to work with the Chilliwack Association to bring their full jersey proposal to Ringette BC for approval, keeping in mind there is already an Association in their League that has green as their base colour.
- c) Informational item. Gaming Branch webinar reminder: Wednesday, May 18 at 11 am.

16) Point of order. Chair expressed his gratitude to the membership of the Association and to the greater BC Ringette community for their support during his tenure on the Board of Directors and in various other roles in Ringette over the past 26 years.

17) Motion to Adjourn. Moved by Director Taschuk, second by Director Takasaki. Carried.