

# MINUTES OF THE 2022 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday, September 19, 2022, 17:00 MST via GoTo Webinar

## 1. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, Larry Bilton, at 17:08 MST

## 2. Calling of the Roll and Certifying of the Proxies: Sebastien Berthiaume

Proxies were circulated by email for the PSOs to verify.

#### **Voting Delegates**

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Division	Delegates	Votes
Yukon	Unavailable	6
BC	Josh Dueck	125
Alberta	Jeremy Cooper	65
Saskatchewan	Unavailable	9
Manitoba	Unavailable	5
Ontario	Eli Budd	27
Quebec	Valerie Laforge	71
New Brunswick	Unavailable	3
Nova Scotia	Andrew Hayes	6

Total number of Votes = 317 Simple Majority = 159 Two Thirds Majority =211

It is established that a quorum has been established, and the meeting may proceed.

## 3. Proof of Notice of Meeting or Waiver of Notice: Larry Bilton

Notice of the Annual General Meeting for Freestyle Canada was posted on August 24, 2022 in advance of the AGM.



# 4. Reading and Disposal of any unapproved minutes: Larry Bilton

The minutes for the 2021-2022 were posted and circulated as part of the AGM package for the webinar.

**MOTION:** That the minutes of the 2021-2022 Freestyle Canada Annual General Meeting be adopted.

Moved by: Eli Budd Seconded: Josh Dueck

There was no opposition, the motion passed.

#### 5. Report From the Board of Directors Chair: Larry Bilton

Good evening,

the last 2 Annual addresses that I have given to this group centered around the unusual impacts that Covid has had on our sport. 2021/22 was a return to more pre covid times. This year still had Covid challenges and required extraordinary efforts by the Freestyle Canada staff. I would like to thank once again, everyone involved in our sport for all their extra efforts, time, and patience in keeping the Freestyle moving forward. I feel the corner has turned and believe the world is moving to how to live with Covid. In Canada, the upcoming year will see the Safe Sport initiatives take center stage in the Canadian Sport System, I for one, am encouraged that these changes will make our Canadian Sport Organizations safer and equitable for all.

I would like to congratulate the Freestyle Canada team of Athletes, Coaches and Administrators for the great results they again produced during the year which included 4 Olympic Medals. Other headlines from the year's successes for Freestyle Canada Athletes included: 7 WC Globes, 28 World Cup Medals, 70 NorAm Medals, 7 NorAm Grand Prix Titles and 9 Medals at X-Games, Dew Tour.

This year also saw the return to Domestic and International events being held on Canadian soil. In many cases health protocols were required for the events to even occur. Once again it was a testament to how all involved, Athletes, Coaches, Event Organizers, and volunteers pulled to together to overcome the challenges to make these events a success.

The Board held one in person meetings and all there were a total of 7 Board meeting and/or updates were all conducted mostly by video conference. The Board Committees were also active in the Governance of Freestyle Canada. For example, The Audit and Risk Committee held meetings ahead of all Board Meetings to review and discuss financials with management. The Nominations Committee was active in running the recruitment of a slate directors. I would like to take this time to thank retiring Director Sian Blyth for her contributions to the Board for the past 3 years.

As we look forward to the year ahead and a return to "business as usual", concentrating on our strategic plan initiatives.

Thank You



No questions of the board Chair, Larry Bilton.

# 6. Report from The Board of Directors

The last two annual addresses that I have given to this group centered around Covid, 2021-2022 was unprecedented times. I want to thank every one who helped and I feel the world has changed. Canada will see Safe Sport Initiative to make sports safe and more equitable for all.

Peter Judge reported that: I want to reiterate thanks to all from Larry's side and mine. It was less disruptive but there was still some at the beginning of the year. 2022 was a pinnacle year. The High Performance performance at the Olympics was exemplary and It Is a testament to staff and athletes for what they accomplished. Happy but not satisfied and at the end of the year, left us with more thoughts how to move forward. We started to embark on our new strategic plan last year and that will be our main focus as we move through Into this year.

No question of Peter Judge from the attendees.

## 7. Presentation of the Financial Statements:

Alan Withey reported: The Financial Statements for the Canadian Freestyle Ski Association have been audited. It comprised of the Statement of Financial Position as at March 31, 2022 the Statement of Operations, the Statement of Changes In Net Assets and the Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended March 31.

In the auditor's opinion, the Financial Statement presents fairly in all material respects. The Financial Statement of the association and the financial performance for the year ended March 31, 2022, are in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for non-profit organization. (ASNPO) The audit was conducted with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards.

We are working in accordance with the ethical requirements, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with this requirement.

All the revenues and expenditures of the year 2021-2022 were included in this financial statement. RHN is our audit firm. The obtained reasonable assurance about the Financial Statements to be free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error and that they exercise professional judgment throughout the audit.

Alan presented the financial statements to the webinar as per the attachment in the webinar package sent to all invitees. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us at any time.

Brian Anderson commented thanking Alan for his efforts and that the association was In a very healthy financial position.



**MOTION:** Larry Bilton made the motion to approve the financial statements as presented. **Moved:** Eli Budd **Seconded:** Jeremy Cooper

The Financial statement are accepted as presented.

### 8. General Resolutions: Larry Bilton

**MOTION:** Be it resolved "That all acts, contract, by-laws, proceedings, appointments, elections and payments enacted, made, done and taken by the Directors and Officers of the Association during the fiscal year 2021-2022 as the same are set out or referred to in the minutes of the Board of Directors, Execute Committee, and Standing Committees, or in the financial statements submitted to this meeting, be hereby approved, sanctioned, and confirmed."

Moved by: Josh Dueck Seconded: Andrew Hayes

The motion has been carried.

#### 9. Appointment of the Auditors: Larry Bilton

Be it resolved "THAT the firm of RHN Accounting be appointed as the auditors for the Canadian Freestyle Ski Association for the 2022-2023 Fiscal year."

MOTION: To appoint RHN as the auditors of the CFSA for the Fiscal year 2022-2023.

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Moved by: Valerie Laforge Seconded: Jeremy Cooper

No discussion

The motion has been carried.

## 10. Election of Directors: Matthew O'Connor

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• Non due to no election



# **Report from the Nomination Committee**

The nomination committee consisted of the following members:

- Matthew O'Connor
- Joan Coert
- Peter Judge
- Daniel Thibeault

The composition of this committee meets the CFSA nomination committee terms of reference set out in 2012.

There were 3 at large director positions available for a 3-year team. Nomination committees' meetings were held by conference calls and also by emails.

Call for nomination and all nomination material were posted on the Freestyle Canada website in early July 2022. The nomination packages were also sent to PSOS and TSOS presidents and the Board of Directors. It was also posted on the Freestyle Canada Facebook page, Instagram and LinkedIn accounts.

Nominations were closed on August 12, 2022

The nominating committee received 4 complete applications. The applicants were ranked for the 3 eligible nominees these include reviewing the nominee's knowledge, and skills provided in their self-assessments, self-assessed director of competency matrix and their Resume. Two of the applicants were members of the Board and consequently, had previous experience serving on a non-profit Board. Considering the Covid 19 effects, the nomination committee was not surprised receiving only four applications.

On August 16, 2022 the committee meet by phone to discuss the entire process. We double checked with the staff all the presentation were duly completed and accepted. We also asked our external member, Daniel Thibault, his formal comment and he cleared the entire process. Considering the special circumstances, there was a consensus to put forward the recommended slate:

- Larry Bilton
- Hubert Pichet
- Tristan Waller

This recommended slate was discussed and reviewed by the Board of Directors and was approved on August 25, 2022 Board Meeting.

MOTION: to approve the slate of directors



Moved by: Val Laforge Seconded: Josh Dueck

No discussion

No opposition

Larry Bilton The motion has been carried.

11. Other Business

No additional business.

# 12. Adjournment

**MOTION:** Be it resolved that the 2022 Freestyle Canada Annual General Meeting be adjourned.

Moved by: Valerie Laforge Seconded: Jeremy Cooper

Meeting adjourned at 17:30 MST