



Annual General Meeting

Tuesday, October 27th, 2020
Virtually Via Zoom
6:00pm

ATTENDEES

Chaired by: Jamie Arsenault, SOPEI President

Directors Present: Craig Watson, Cecil Villard, Jamie Arsenault, Donna Campbell, Robert Horne, Heidi Mallett, Bevan Woodacre, Clifford Lee, Laurie McNally, Kevin Stonefield.

Guests: SOPEI Members, Award Nominees and families, Provincial Partners, Government Officials, General Public, Tommy MacGuigan, Dave Morrow, Ellen MacNearney, Melanie McKenna

SOPEI Staff: Charity Sheehan, Matthew McNally, Sarah Profitt, Genna Phelan, Ellen Murphy, Margie Villard, Kristen MacDonald

Recorded by: Donna Campbell

Transposed by: Charity Sheehan

1. Welcome – Call to Order

- Jamie welcomed everyone to our first ever virtual AGM.
- Jamie began with a Land Acknowledgment.
- This year we have recognized all our nominees and award winners all month on SOPEI social media channels. We have 43 participants tonight and Jamie acknowledged them.

2. Reading of the Mission Statement and Athlete's Oath

- Jamie read the Mission Statement and Heidi read the Athlete's Oath.

3. Approval of Agenda for October 27th, 2020, AGM

- Presented as circulated.

Motion to approve agenda by: Donna Campbell
Second by: Heidi Mallett
Motion carried

3. Approval of the Minutes from the 2019 AGM Minutes

- Presented as circulated.

Motion to approve minutes by: Robert Horne
Second by: Bevan Woodacre
Motion carried

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

- There was no business arising from the minutes

5. Athlete Leadership Presentation – Tommy MacGuigan, Athlete Leadership Academy Member.

- Tommy gave a wonderful speech on his experience with SO and Athlete Leadership Training. Dave Morrow is his mentor.
- Some of the highlights from Tommy's speech were: He has been involved for 37 years, SO is about teamwork and competition, he has made many friends across Canada.
- He also shared his National and World Games experiences. He mentioned the thrill of going to Toronto to the SO Gala and receiving a national award.
- Training at home during Covid but very thankful to be back into programs now. He completed a 5-week training on Athlete Leadership in Public Speaking and tonight was his first speech.
- He ended by thanking family, friends, and supporters.

6. Presidents Report

- Jamie presented the President's Report as displayed on screen.
- He acknowledged the uncertainty of Covid and the added stress it has added but took a moment to brag about how we were one of the first SO Chapters to "Return to Play".
- Jamie thanked the staff for all they do and their willingness to work and be effective during the pandemic. This year has shown how awesome our staff and volunteers are.

Motion to approve the President's Report by: Cecil Villard
Second by: Heidi Mallett
Motion carried

7. Athlete Representative Report

- Heidi presented her report as displayed on screen.
- Heidi thanked Tommy for his excellent speech and congratulated all the nominees and winners of this year's awards.

- Heidi is in her 2nd year as the SOPEI Athlete Representative on the SOPEI board and on the Canadian Athlete Leadership Council.
- She thanked the Board and the Staff.

7. **Treasurer's Report**

- Treasurer, Robert Horne presented the 2019-2020 Financial Statements.
- He recommended the appointment of Grant Thornton LLP as Auditors for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.
- As a group we viewed the Auditors Report, the Financial Statements, and the organization's financial position. We are a very healthy organization in a good financial position.

Motion to approve Treasure's Report and Financial Statements as presented by: Heidi Mallett

Second by: Clifford lee

Motion carried

Motion to approve Grant Thornton as Auditors for the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year: Heidi Mallett

Second by: Clifford Lee

Motion carried

8. **Election of Officers and Directors for the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year**

- Nomination report was presented as circulated.
- Jamie thanked retiring board member Charity Hogan.
- Jamie presented the following slate of Directors and Officers for 2020-2021. (Nomination report is attached)

Past President	vacant
President	Jamie Arsenault
Vice President	Craig Watson
Treasurer	Robert Horne
Secretary	Donna Campbell

Directors at Large:

Cecil Villard	Paul Smith	Kevin Stonefield
Charity Hogan	Laurie McNally	Clifford Lee
Bevan Woodacre	Melanie McKenna	

Athlete Representative:

Heidi Mallett

- He then called for nominations from the floor (three calls).
- There were no further nominations from the floor. Robert closed the nominations from the floor.

*Motion to approve the election of Officers and Directors for the 2020-2021
Fiscal year by: Cecil Villard
Second by: Robert Horne
Motion carried*

8. Date for the 2020-2021 Annual General Meeting

- October 26th, 2021

9. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Heidi Mallett

Respectfully submitted:

Donna Campbell, SOPEI Secretary

Special Olympics PEI 2020 AGM Nomination Report

We would like to start by thanking our retiring board members.

To Charity Hogan, Director at Large, for her time and talents over the past four years. Charity's background in law helped SOPEI strengthen its policies and procedures enabling SOPEI to create more holistic and individualized approaches to registration, discipline and complaints and mitigating risks adhered to a sport organization. Our sincere thank you to Charity. Tonight, the following position is up for election:

- One Director at Large position.

All other positions are not up for election or renewal currently.

We have had the following people letting their name stand for a director at large position. They are:

- 1) **Melanie McKenna** – Melanie is a lawyer with Cox and Palmer where she practices in a variety of areas including general and civil litigation, insurance litigation, family law, municipal law, corporate and commercial law, estate planning and real estate law.

We will also take nominations from the floor for this position.

- 1) Are there any further nominations?
- 2) Are there any further nominations?
- 3) Are there any further nominations?

Could I have someone close the nominations from the floor.

Thank you, nominations are now closed.

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The slate of directors and officers for the 2020-2021 year are as follows:

Past-President:	Remains Vacant	
President:	Jamie Arsenault	
Vice-President:	Craig Watson	
Secretary:	Donna Campbell	
Treasurer:	Robert Horne	
Athlete Rep:	Heidi Mallet	
Directors at Large:	Kevin Stonefield	Paul Smith
	Cecil Villard	Laurie McNally
	Bevan Woodacre	Clifford Lee
	Melanie McKenna	