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Athletics Manitoba AGM Minutes 5:30 pm, Tuesday, June 16, 2020 Via ZOOM

Attendees- K. Kelly, A. Boudreau, C. Berube, P. Harms, K. Weins, D. Boutang (MRA), O. Babalola, L. Switzer (WOA), J. Howe, J. Doneza, D. Sawatsky-Dickson, B. Walker, D. Grey, K. Ferris, B. Guerra (WOA), D. Fillion (SATT), D. Gordon, T. Turner, G. Athayde, G. Mitchell, C. Reed (MRA), S. Howes (WOA)

- 1. Called to Order- 5:36 pm
- 2. Appointment of Scrutineers- This was not necessary as we did not have more nominations than available positions.
- 3. Approval of the Agenda
 - Motion to Approve Agenda (D. Grey/ 2nd- J. Howe) Motion carried
- 4. Approval of the minutes from the 2019 AGM
 - Motion to Approve Minutes from 2019 AGM (P. Harms/2nd- D. Sawatsky-Dickson) Motion carried
- 5. Business arising from the minutes
 - There was no discussion arising from the minutes.
- 6. President's Report
 - No additions or questions arising from the Report. Board Members reiterated their appreciation of our staff's work during this difficult time.

7. Office Report

- Larry asked whether the bingo funding stopped because it is no longer being received from the Sport Manitoba. Alanna confirmed that it has not stopped and that in fact these funds were some of the only funds that continued to flow during the pandemic. There was a motion that was approved by the Board to temporarily stop the transfer of these funds to the Clubs so that these monies could be used to cover AM's expenses. This will be reconsidered by the Board once the regular funding is reinstated. Larry reiterated that his view is that the transfer of the funds to the clubs should be reinstated. Kathy confirmed that we'd re-consider this issue at our next Board Meeting.
- Greg asked about the recent creation of three committees. Alanna confirmed that the hope with the Awards Committee would be that this would become a year-long commitment rather than a seasonal committee. Kathy confirmed that the Governance Committee will amongst other things review the by-laws. Greg indicated that he may have interest in participating in the Master's Committee.
- Greg also asked the status of our marketing initiatives. Alanna confirmed that we are looking
 into fundraising opportunities and identifying a firm picture of what our own brand is as a
 starting point. There will be some work done in this regard by the incoming summer



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students. The website was also one of the big pieces of this initiative. Greg indicated that perhaps this initiative should be tied in with the work of the Governance Committee.

8. Committee Reports

- MRA- Membership has hit an all time high since they started keeping track. All of their events have either been cancelled or gone virtual. The events that have gone virtual have been big successes. As a result, the Race Series have been able to proceed with the virtual events. The MRA is doing well financially despite the loss of revenue because they have received the Wage Subsidy (CEWS).
- Athlete Council The interest in this initiative has been very high. They are in the process of defining the format and purpose of this council which will be decided by the Athlete representatives. Larry asked if there were representatives from the clubs. Tegan confirmed that there is strong representation which includes club members, rural and Winnipeg based athletes, unattached athletes and an athlete that is currently living outside of the province for university.
- Equipment Committee Alanna had circulated a report in advance and confirmed that we are now in the process of formalizing the structure of this committee. Larry asked whether there was a budget for this committee. Alanna confirmed that this first year the purchases were made based on as needed basis. In future years, the intention is to have a specific budget for purchases so that major purchases can be planned in advance.
- Motion to Accept Reports as Presented (D. Sawatsky-Dickson/ 2nd- D. Grey). Motion carried

9. Approval of Auditor's report and financial statements

Financial Reports- Brian confirmed that the statements were audited by Scarrow & Donald as they have been in previous years. We have been given a clean opinion for the April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020 financial year. Brian confirmed that we are earning about 2.5% interest on our short-term investments and overall, we're down slightly in relation to our cash position from the previous fiscal year. The reason for this is because of the deficit over the course of the year. In relation to our liabilities, the deferred contributions referenced are as a result of the receipt of monies from the Winnipeg Foundation Funds that we have which have not yet been dispersed. The equipment levy still has approximately \$27,000 in it for future purchases. Our deficit was higher than budgeted (Entries at a number of events were lower than projected, there was also an additional \$7,000 expense related to travel with Western Canada Games and Tri-Province (including food and accommodations). **This was not far off of the budgeted amount for 2019 and will continue to vary from year to year, there were also some older accounts (going back to 2015) notionally written off that were deemed uncollectable (example- a school was invoiced for an event and never paid). Brian confirmed that we are going to see if we could collect these and if this comes to fruition it will show up in revenue next year. Brian confirmed that the school memberships were down, and this is in large part related to the fact that our elementary relays were cancelled because of the pandemic. Grant asked if we have any idea how we would be able to manage if we have an entire year impacted by the state of emergency. Brian confirmed we are in receipt of the 75% wage subsidy and this will remain in place until the end of August and that Sport Manitoba Funding continues to flow. This means that at least until the end of August we should be in a good position and will put together an updated budget as we get closer to the



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fall. Kathy confirmed that we are mindful that there may be extra expenses for cleaning supplies and PPE supplies.

Brian made a motion to approve the auditors report (2nd L. Switzer) - Motion carried

10. Appointment of an Auditor

 Brian made a motion to appoint Scarrow & Donald as the auditors again for this financial year (2nd K. Ferris)- Motion carried

11. Election of Directors

- Patricia made a motion to accept the slate of nominees: T. Turner, K. Ferris, G. Athayde, O. Babalola, D. Sawatzky-Dickson (2nd- S. Howe)- Motion carried
- Kathy confirmed that she will send an e-mail with respect to the incoming executive and proposed that a vote take place electronically if required.

12. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn- J. Howe/D. Sawatsky-Dickson- 6:38 p.m.



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APPENDIX A

3.1 <u>Voting Privileges</u>: Members will have the following voting rights at all the meeting of Members: Individual Members: Members eighteen (18) years of age and older may attend and participate in meetings but are not entitled to a vote.

Club Members: Each member-club within the Association shall be entitled to one or more voting members at the Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting of the Association in accordance with the following:

Clubs with 20 or less individual athletic or individual associate members holding cards = 1 vote.

Clubs with 21 to 40 individual athletic or individual associate members holding cards = 2 votes.

Clubs with 41 to 60 individual athletic or individual associate members holding cards = 3 votes.

Clubs with 61 to 80 individual athletic or individual associate members holding cards = 4 votes.

Clubs with 81 to 100 individual athletic or individual associate members holding cards = 5 votes.

When Clubs have individual athletic or individual associate members holding cards exceeds 100, Clubs shall be given one additional vote when reaching the following thresholds: 101, 121, 141, 161, etc.

Membership shall be based on Athletics Manitoba's record as of May 15 prior to the Annual General Meeting.

- 3.2 <u>Officials</u> Officials are represented at the AGM by the officials' representative on the board of directors. The number of votes the officials representative casts will be determined based on the number of officials registered by May 15. The number of votes will be determined through the same process club votes are assigned in section 3.10 a.
- 3.3 <u>Scrutineers</u> At the beginning of each meeting, the Board may appoint one or more scrutineers who will be responsible for ensuring that votes are properly cast and counted. The individuals serving as scrutineers cannot be eligible to vote.
- 3.4 <u>Determination of Votes</u> Votes will be determined by a show of hands or orally unless a secret or recorded ballot is requested by the majority of those Members voting. A contested vote for the board of directors shall be by secret ballot.
- 3.5 <u>Majority of Votes</u> Except as otherwise provided in the Act or these By-laws, for an Ordinary Resolution, members present who vote will decide each issue. In the case of a tie the President will cast the deciding vote.

	Total Members as of May 15, 2020	AGM - VOTES
Flying M Athletic Club	7	1
Last Mile Athletics Club	9	1
MANITOBA OFFICIALS	22	2
Bison Athletics Club	32	2
Stride Ahead Tough Track Club	83	5
Manitoba Runners Association	161	9
Winnipeg Optimist Athletics	228	12