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## Athletics Manitoba AGM Agenda 7pm, Tuesday, June 15, 2021 ZOOM

### Attendance:

Jill Seymour- coach- Representing Flying M  
Wayne McMahon- Representing Winnipeg Optimists  
Reg. Brown- Treasurer- MRA- Voting Member  
Michelle Zubricki- Parent- Representing Tough Track  
Donna Harris- Coach- Representing Predator Athletics Club  
Krista Waring- President of MRA  
David King – Throws Official  
Brook Jones- former athlete/ coach at FRC/past board member of AM  
Michael Kananoja – Programs Manager AM  
Alanna Boudreau – Executive Director AM

### Board Members in attendance:

Kathy Kelly, Omena Babalola, Brian Walker, Jessica Schofield, Doris Sawatzky-Dickson, Dimitri Gray, Janice Howe, Greg Athayde, Kathy Wiens, Donnae Gordon, Tegan Turner, Patricia Harms, Grant Mitchell, Karen Ferris

### Agenda:

1. Appointment of Scrutineers
  - a. This will not be needed because we only have the number of nominees for the vacant seats.
2. Approval of Agenda
  - a. Kathy proposed a minor change- she would like to switch the order of topics under new business to bump up the awards committee discussion. (Motion to Approve- Winnipeg Optimists/2<sup>nd</sup>- MRA- moved);
  - b. Motion to approve minutes from last AGM- MRA/Winnipeg Optimists- Moved
3. Business arising from the Minutes- None
4. Reports:
  - a. President's Report- Kathy thanked Grant for all of his years of dedication to the Board.
  - b. Office Report- Everyone thanked the staff for their hard work over the past year. We had discussions regarding encouraging women/young families in coaching and how we need to be committed to working on this.
  - c. MRA Report- Kathy highlighted that MRA is celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year and are busy working on this. MRA is continuing to add to the virtual race schedule. Kathy also reiterated MRA's appreciation for the work of the office and the collaboration that has taken place especially over the course of the pandemic.
5. Committee Reports-
  - a. Athletes Council- The work of this committee has been impaired by the pandemic but they are looking forward to continuing their work with the athletes.
  - b. Master's Committee- There have been 80 responses on the Master's survey already. The committee is working to build the scope of their work and are looking at what is happening in other provinces. A summer student is working with the Master's Committee to assist them over the course of the summer. Wayne confirmed that Winnipeg Optimists is more than happy to have Master's events during their competition, they just need a head's up.
  - c. Equipment Committee- Alanna confirmed that the display boards have arrived.



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- d. Officials Committee- Doris reiterated that the officials are very much looking forward to getting going again. Wayne reiterated that we need to do another push to get more officials so that we can keep being able to operate at a gold standard. Alanna agreed that we need to make a push and this is definitely on the office's radar. Kathy confirmed that the level 1 and 2 training is now online. There is lots going on at the NOC. Janice raised that the improved communication would be beneficial for the officials. We discussed that this goes hand in hand with the work being done at the national level.

Motion to approve reports as submitted- Flying M/2<sup>nd</sup>- Tough Track -moved

### 6. New Business

- a. Awards Committee Update
  - i. Tegan confirmed that she has met with Alanna and they are in the process of finalizing the terms of reference which will include making the Hall of Fame a priority. They are hoping to have a call for members to the committee out very shortly. Alanna clarified that building this committee now they have the ability to look at the bigger picture projects including the Hall of Fame because an awards event given the lack of events this year will not require the work that would usually be involved in that. Wayne indicated that they recognize the work involved in trying to capture some of the history that may otherwise be lost and the work on the Hall of Fame is a big part of this. Alanna confirmed that the University has given permission for the Hall of Fame has been approved for Athletics Manitoba and MRA which is a good step in the right direction. Greg asked for confirmation in terms of the scope of work of this committee and Alanna confirmed that the terms of reference are not encompassing in terms of all of the partner organizations that this committee needs to be working with. This is part of the work that is being done now.
- b. Annual investment of income
  - i. Establishment of a fund to offset travel costs- Winnipeg Optimists raised this issue- one of the biggest obstacles for Manitoba athletes is to get athletes to high level competitions and so this sort of fund would be of great assistance. This is a budget item that is often the first to be cut in tough times. He is proposing that the board consider this issue at the board level. Brian agreed that the cost of travel is an obstacle for Manitoba Athletes and suggested that one idea to address this may be to change the scope of the Dave Lyons fund given that the need for this funding based on the current criteria has not be utilized as much as it has in previous years. Wayne indicated that he understand that there was a discussion regarding adjusting the criteria to include these sorts of travel expenses at the time it was created and that this would be a good start to address the issue. Kathy confirmed that we would address this at the next board meeting and specifically clarify the criteria for the various different funds. Alanna confirmed that they have been in discussion with Edith Lyons and that we will address any proposed changes with her following the discussion at the next board meeting.
- c. Receiving charitable gifts and publishing a list of contributions
  - i. Kathy confirmed that we will discuss both of these items in conjunction with the other issues raised by Winnipeg Optimists at the next board. Brian confirmed that Athletics Manitoba is not a registered charity but are able to make this work through our partnership with the Winnipeg Foundation. In terms of matching, Brian confirmed that we can look into this as well.

### 7. Approval of auditor's report and financial statements

- a. Brian confirmed that the financial statements have been audited by Scarrow & Donald with a clean/unqualified audit opinion.
- b. Brian confirmed that we have a fairly healthy cash balance as a result of the government funding that we received over the course of the pandemic. The investment income is consistent with previous years. The addition to capital assets this year include the score-board and a couple computers.
- c. Brian confirmed that we have been collecting Canada Games Money that has been deferred and equipment levy, etc. and much of this money is earmarked for expenses over the next year or so. In



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summary, the organization has net assets of about \$198K (compared to \$149K last year) and this is mostly because of government funding.

- d. Brian also reviewed the Statement of Operations and confirmed that it was of course a very different year both from a revenue and expenses perspective. In summary, revenue was down but because of government funding the decrease was far less than it otherwise would have been and significantly less than the decrease on the expense side. Brian confirmed that we tried to maintain the athlete assistance remained consistent and that there was also COVID committee support put in place. In summary, the two year average is almost exactly a break even (a \$48K deficit last year and a \$49K surplus this year). Greg asked if any of the funding is in a loan format and Brian confirmed that there are no loans that were applied for or received by AM.

Motion to approve Financial Statement- 2<sup>nd</sup>- Predator Athletics Club- moved

8. Appointment of an auditor- Brian made a motion to have Scarrow & Donald appointed as auditors- 2<sup>nd</sup>- MRA- moved
9. Election of directors- Motion to accept slate- Winnipeg Optimists/2<sup>nd</sup> Tough Track- moved
10. Adjournment – Motion to Adjourn- Flying M- 8:32pm

Board Meeting:

Election of Executive:

- a. No other members put their name forward to be considered for a position on the Executive
  - i. Brian has agreed to stay on as Treasurer.
  - ii. Jessica has agreed to stay on as Secretary.
  - iii. Omena has agreed to stay on as Vice President.
  - iv. Kathy has agreed to stay on as President.

Motion to elect Kathy Kelly as president, Omena Babalola as vice president, Brian Walker as treasurer and Jessica Schofield as secretary. K.Ferris/2<sup>nd</sup> K. Wiens