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Athletics Manitoba  
Annual General Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday June 25th, 2026  
ZOOM

Present:

Board Members: Kathy Kelly, Brian Walker, Rob Renaud (Officials Rep), Derek Boutang (MRA Rep); Omena Babalola, Melanie Gregg, Chad Laferriere Enns, Greg Athayde

Club Representatives: Bison Athletics Club – Daryl Fillion  
Winnipeg Optimist Athletics – Paul Gundmundson  
Tough Track Club – Lisa Sinclair  
Assert Track Club – Rusheed Edwards  
Flying 'M' Athletic Club – Rob Ellchuk  
Predator Athletics Club - Donna Harris  
Roadkill – did not attend

Staff: Alanna Boudreau

Members: Wayne McMahon, Claude Berube, Cheryl Glazebrook Passmore, Olayinka Odeleye

Regrets: Lindsay Ross-Stewart, Donnae Gordon, Kevin Sylvester, Patricia Harms, Charles Nfon, Calvin Reimer.

1. Call to Order

- Meeting called to order – 7:37pm
- Welcome and general introductions. President Kathy Kelly welcomed everyone who has signed onto the meeting.
- Began the meeting by reading the Athletics Manitoba Land Acknowledgment.
- Establishment of Quorum:
- Based on the club representatives present. Quorum was met.

2. Appointment of Scrutineers:

- In the event of a vote. Alanna Boudreau and Omena Babalola will act as scrutineers.

3. Explanation of Voting Procedures and Powers: The information was sent with the agenda as Appendix A. No questions on the voting procedures.

4. Approval of the Agenda.

- Motion to accept the agenda as presented: Moved: Paul G. (WOA)/ Seconded: Claude B. (Bisons). Motion approved.

5. Approval of the minutes from the 2025 AGM.

- Motion to accept the minutes as presented: Moved Paul G. (WOA) Seconded by Claude B. (Bisons)
- Discussion: Derek (MRA) The title should be updated and attendees as well as regrets added to the minutes.



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- Motion approved with adding those corrections.

6. Business arising from the minutes: None

7. President's Report:

- Presidents report. Most reports were uploaded Monday with the notice of AGM information. The President's report was uploaded Tuesday morning. One member missed this second upload. Concern around officials highlighted.
- Motion to accept President's report – Moved: Lisa S. (Tough Track)/Seconded Rob E
- Motion passed with one abstention (MRA).

8. Office Report: Referred to as the Annual Report submitted by Alanna Boudreau.

- Motion to accept the office annual report – Moved: Daryl F. (Bison Track)/Seconded: Lisa S. (Tough Track)
- Discussion questions
  - Clarification on membership numbers and an Asterix and colour coding for Table 2. Clarification provided.
  - Question related barriers to achieving strategic plan. Capacity and finances are primary issues
  - Question related to priorities for the rest of this year. Response: recruitment and development of officials and the MRA Affiliation Agreement.
  - Wayne noted the Community Sport for All grant. Funding is going to clubs to increase access for those athletes who may need assistance with fees.
- Motion passed with one abstention (MRA).

9. MRA Report

- Motion to approve report: Derek B. (MRA)/Seconded Daryl F. (Bisons)
- Discussion:
  - Big year in road and trail running in MB.
  - Last year AM members had a free MRA membership, any idea how many AM members purchased an MRA membership this year? Not available at the time of the meeting. But MRA did commit to get back to the individual asking the question.
- Motion passed.

10. Committee Reports

- a) Athlete Council: Report unavailable.
- b) Masters Committee: Provided in AGM package.
- c) Awards Committee: Provided in AGM package.
- d) Officials Committee: Provided in AGM package.
- e) Equipment Committee: Provided in AGM package.
  - Motion to approve the reports as provided– Daryl F. (Bisons)/ Seconded by Paul G (WOA).
  - Discussion: None
  - Motion passed.



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### 11. Approval of Auditor's report and financial statements

- Motion to approve the financial statements for Athletics Manitoba for the year April 1, 2025 – March 31, 2025. Motion: Brian Walker (Treasurer)/Seconded by Daryl F. (Bisons)
- Motion passed.

### 12. Appointment of an Auditor

- Scarrow and Donald have been auditors for approximately 10 years. They are familiar with amateur sport and the requirements. Generally, the turn around time is quick.
- Motion: Appoint Scarrow and Donald Accounting for the 2026 -2027 fiscal year. Moved Brian Walker (Treasurer)/Seconded by Daryl F. (Bisons).
- Motion passed

### 13. New Business

- Proposed Bylaw Updates
  - Chair of the Governance Committee, Kathy presented a summary of the work completed by the Governance Committee. Other committee members include Chad ; Greg and Lindsay from the Board. Meeting occurred regularly to review and update. It was also presented that the committee did its due diligence to find alternatives to the current voting system. The current voting system is weighted heavily towards the larger clubs and present an equality in the system. The voting in the revised by-laws evens the number of votes and reduces the weighting on the larger clubs.
  - Board approved in the proposed by-laws in March/April after being presented at the March Board meeting. An electronic vote was required because quorum was not maintained in the meeting.
  - Motion to approve proposed revised bylaws: Motion: Rob E (Flying M). Seconded: Daryl F. (Bisons)
  - Discussion:
    - a. MRA: What was needed to change in the Bylaws:
      - i. Response: Bylaws had not been reviewed in over 10 years. Language was not concise and at times unclear.
      - ii. Voting structure favors big clubs and is not in alignment with current other voting structures nationally. Intent of the proposed voting structure was to the playing field providing big clubs with a cap in the number of votes. This is a comparable change to better align with across the country.
      - iii. Goal and intent is for future regular review of the bylaws. Sport MB highlighted the need for this years' review.
      - iv. Governance committee members indicated that some of the changes that were considered, aligning with the lived reality of Athletics. Trying to better align certain areas with current practices.
      - v. Some areas like the MRA/AM affiliation agreement details were vague intentionally as to not have the specifics of the agreement tied to the bylaws.



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Example: definition of a member and memberships definition. MRA did provide written feedback on the proposed bylaws after the March board vote.

- vi. Long standing AM members did provide a history of why the vote by representation went into effect.
- vii. Priority within AM is overall growth and we want to encourage participation of smaller clubs.
- viii. Motion: Passed by majority based on the table below

### ○ Votes

|           |    | YAY         | NAY | ABSTAIN |
|-----------|----|-------------|-----|---------|
| Officials | 2  | 2           |     |         |
| Assert    | 1  |             |     | 1       |
| FMAC      | 2  | 2           |     |         |
| BISON     | 3  | 3           |     |         |
| PREDATOR  | 4  | 4           |     |         |
| TOUGH     | 5  | 5           |     |         |
| WOA       | 14 | 14          |     |         |
| MRA       | 20 |             | 20  |         |
|           |    | 30          | 20  | 1       |
| RoadKill  | 1  | Not present |     |         |

### ○ National Road Course Certification

- AC Road and Trail community membership needs to be clarified
- Goal is to simplify our membership structures.
- WOA indicated that than half of their WOA membership chose both
- MRA: AC could have been more clarity on the messaging around the Community Road and Trail memberships
- Restrictions of the membership type are unclear with AC.
- For team selection eligibility, rankings, records all athletes must be a member of AC.

- MRA/AM Affiliation update: This is in progress and highlighted in the AGM discussions as a priority for both parties.

## 14. Election of Directors:

- The following slate has been proposed.
  - Rob Ellchuk – Coach Representative
  - Rusheed Edwards (Coach – Assert Club Brandon) Board director for one of the two positions on the Board.
- Motion to accept the proposed slate of Directors: Moved: Daryl (Bisons)/Seconded Paul G (WOA)
- Motion passed

## 15. Motion to adjourn – Paul G (WOA) 9:29 pm