

**Speed Skating Canada
123rd Annual General Meeting
Gatineau, Quebec
Saturday July 3, 2010
Hilton Lac Leamy Hotel**

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1. Call to order

The President, Marie-Claire Rouleau, called the meeting to order at 8:42AM EST.

2. Presidents Welcome

Marie-Claire welcomed the delegates and guests to the Speed Skating Canada 123rd AGM in Gatineau.

Marie-Claire introduced the Board of Directors: Susan Auch, Michel Daignault, Jim Elliott, Glenn Holmes, Joyce Jackman, Sean Maw, Kim Weger and herself.

Marie-Claire introduces the Committee Chairs: Gregg Planert (High Performance Long Track), Tom Overend (High Performance Short Track), Laurie Murchison (Officials Development), Nancy Goplen (Competition Development), David Gilday on behalf of Peter Steele (Coaching Development), and Peggy Poole (Club and Membership Development).

Marie-Claire introduced the National Office Staff: Rose Mercier (Interim Director General), Patricia Brennan (Director of Finance), Mark Mathies (Interim Director of Sport), Dawn Currie (Sport Development Director), Yanna Moncion (Sport Program Coordinator), Douglas Duncan (Project Manager), Mylène Croteau (Manager of Communications), Mariamanda Espinosa (Finance and Administration Assistant), Ashley Scott (Membership Services and Administrative Assistant) and Yves Hamelin (Short Track Program Director), Sylvie Bourdon (Short track Program Coordinator) who were unable to attend the AGM.

Marie-Claire introduced special guests: Katie Traver (US Speed Skating), Alice Humeny (OCC), Catherine Humeny (OCC), Lynda Murch (OCC), Michel Verrault, Peter Dankers (Inuksuk Initiatives), Dennis Duggan (LTPAD), and Kam Kiland who was unable to attend.

3. Roll call of Delegates

Rose Mercier announced the delegates and asked for a show of hands. A total of 28 delegates, 4 athlete representatives and 8 Board members, and 16 proxies were held for a total of 56 votes, 50% is 28, 2/3 is 37.

Prov/Terr	ACT ALL'D	Delegate	Voting Delegate	Carrying Proxy
AB	4	Blair Carbert	1	1
		Tom Lipsett	1	
		Nadine Dalheim	1	
BC	6	Jim Allison	1	2
MB	3	Paul Daeninck	1	1
		Todd Landon	1	
NU	2	John Maurice	1	
		Josée Treblay	1	
NWT	3	Pam Dunbar	1	2
ON	6	Graham Wilkins	1	1
		Stephen Arnold	1	
		Roger Buxton	1	
		David Stewart	1	
		Valya Roberts	1	
NB	4	Peter Steele	1	2
SK	4	Bryan McSorely	1	
		Trevor Sutter	1	
		Rick Slusser	1	
		Shawn MacLennan	1	
PEI	1	Wendy Francis	1	
QC	12	Gilles Dufour	1	2
		Robert Dubreuil	1	2
		Maryse Poudrier	1	
		Michelle Cassoni	1	1
		André Beaulieu	1	1
		Frédéric Tremblay	1	
YK	1	Laini Klassen	1	
NS	2	Terri Dixon	1	1
NFLD	1	No Delegate		
ATHLETE REP	4	François-Olivier Roberge	1	
		Liam McFarlane	1	
		Keith Sulzer	1	
		Guillaume Blais-Dufour	1	
BOD	8	Marie-Claire Rouleau	1	
		Glenn Holmes	1	

		Joyce Jackman	1	
		Sean Maw	1	
		Susan Auch	1	
		Michel Daignault	1	
		Kim Weger	1	
		Jim Elliott	1	
Allowable	61	Total	28	16

4. Approval of AGM Agenda

Motion: To approve the agenda as amended.

Moved by: Graham Wilkins (OSSA); Seconded by Pam Dunbar (NWTASSA), Carried

5. Greetings from US Speed Skating

Katie Traver thanked Speed Skating Canada for the invitation to attend the 123rd AGM. Katie informed the members that she has been elected on to the Board of Directors and that the new executive director for USS Mark Greenwald, will commence July 6, 2010. Katie thanked Speed Skating Canada for their expertise with LTPAD and other knowledge that has been provided.

6. Approval of 2009 AGM Minutes

Motion: To approve the minutes of the 2009 AGM as amended.

Moved by: Jim Allison (BCSSA); Seconded: Tom Lipsett (AASSA), Carried

The following amendments were identified:

Item 14- Pam Dunbar pointed out a spelling error. Spelling of "Mahler" to be changed from Mailer.

7. Reports

Marie-Claire addresses each of the reports that were distributed in the delegate package.

Presidents Report

Motion: To approve the proposed report as distributed.

Moved by: Paul Daeninck (MSSA); Seconded: Pam Dunbar (NWTASSA), Carried

National Office Report

Motion: A motion of thanks from Marie-Claire for the report and to accept the report as submitted.

Moved: John Maurice (NSSA); Seconded: Stephen Arnold (OSSA), Carried

Steven Arnold indicated that the dates are not correct in the skating vs. membership charts; Speed Skating Canada will release the version going up to 2009.

Committee Reports

Competition Development Committee

Officials Development Committee

HPCLT

HPCST

Club and Membership – Stephen Arnold would like to know if the video for the LTPAD will be available, Peggy Poole indicated that the video will be available in September.

Coaching

Sustainability Report

LTPAD Working Group – Dennis Duggan acknowledged the outstanding work from all standing committees

Motion: To receive all the reports as distributed

Moved: Trevor Sutter (SASSA); Seconded: Laini Klassen (YASSA), Carried

Branch Reports

New Brunswick – The Branch President's position is vacant.

Motion: To accept the reports as distributed.

Moved by: Tom Lipsett (AASSA); Seconded: Paul Daeninck (MSSA), Carried

Organizing Committee Calgary Report

Alice Humeny – OCC will be hosting to World Cups and would like to brainstorm ideas to engage young skaters and individuals from across the country when the events are in Canada.

Motion: To accept the report as distributed.

Moved: Blair Carbert (AASSA); Seconded: Wendy Francis (SSPEI), Carried

8. Elections

Joyce Jackman presented the positions that were available:

Marie-Claire was elected by acclamation.

2 Directors at large, Susan Auch and Glenn Holmes, were both elected by acclamation.

Joyce Jackman will be resigning from her term 1 year early, Tony Main expressed interest in becoming treasurer in the future, and therefore, a recommendation was made to appoint Tony Main to fulfill Joyce's term.

Athlete Director Position - The National Team elected Kim Weger as Athlete Director.

High Performance Short Track – Bryce Holbech was elected.

High Performance Long Track – Derrick Auch was elected.

9. Presentation of the 2009-210 audited Financial Statements

The audited financial statement was presented to the delegates by Michel Daignault.

Revenue – 7.7Million of revenue, mainly from sponsors, more funding from OTP and better return on investment. There was a higher expense than revenue creating a loss of \$524, 269. Inventory increase is due to the merchandise from the Vancouver 2010 Olympics. No restrictions on the audited report.

10. Recommendation and approval of auditors

Motion: That SSC appoints McCay and Duff & Company as auditors for the 2010-2011 financial year.

Moved: Pam Dunbar (NWTASSA); Seconded: Maryse Poudrier (FPVQ), Carried

11. Presentation of the 2010-2011 Budget

The Sponsorship for 2010-2011 still has some spots available. Total proposed revenue for 2010-2011 is around 6.5 Million. High Performance budget reduced because there are no specific expenses for the Olympics as in 2009-2010. Total budget for 2010-2011 for HP will be about 3.4 million.

Committee expenses – variation comes from CMDC as they have a new grant program.

Robert Dubreuil inquired why there was a large reduction for Coaching. Michel responded that because there is no coaching symposium the budget has been reduced.

Stephen Arnold requested Michel to expand on the hosting budget. Michel indicated that to apply for a hosting grant you have to expense more funds to see higher revenue.

Nancy indicated that Coaching would be absorbing many translation costs that would not normally be in the budget.

Robert Dubreuil would like to emphasize that in the next few years, one of the main challenges will be to control all expenditures through the year so that we do not decrease our net worth.

Total portfolio for investment income was 18.8%.

Motion: To receive the 2009-2010 Audited Financial Statement as presented.

Moved: Valya Roberts (OSSA); Seconded: John Maurice (NSSA), Carried

Motion: To receive the 2010-2011 budget as presented.

Moved: John Maurice (NSSA); Seconded: Andre Beaulieu (FPVQ), Carried

12. Presentation of Rule Changes

The following changes were made:

Short Track and Long track Mass Start Competitions

Addition of requirement for wearing of protective eyewear to D3-100: Shatter-resistant protective sport glasses (clear or yellow are recommended or a complete visor are required for all skaters. Glasses must be held in place by an elastic strap.

Short track padding specifications

1. The protective padding for sanctioned Short Track competitions on a 111.12m track shall extend from a point three (3) meters or less before the finish line continuously back along the side and entire back board and the mirror image of a diagonal across the ice surface. (See Annex)
2. When an electronic timer is attached to the board at the finish line, the padding shall extend to butt against the timer. All such padding shall be at least the height of the boards and made of **medium or high density open cell foam** covered with a cut and water resistant material consistent with the guidelines defined in Annex.
3. Full-height mats must be attached to the boards or to one another.
4. Any attachment used shall be placed such that a skate cannot be caught by it.
5. Mats must lie with their weight on the ice.
6. Update annexe number when finalised

Summary of primary decisions from P&R session was presented by Douglas Duncan.

Marie-Claire indicated that the major changes and all pertinent information will be available online.

13. SSC Business Items

- a. Marie-Claire advised the membership to indicate to their clubs about fees regarding membership and competitions.
- b. Joyce Jackman indicated that the aboriginal policy has been approved and will be available on the Speed Skating website. Jim Elliot will now be taking over the policy.

14. By Law / P&R Changes

Motion #1: To receive and adopt the report of the 2010 Procedures and Regulations Workshop and direct the named standing committees to act on the listed actions.

Moved: Tom Lipsett (AASSA); Seconded: Todd Landon (MSSA), Carried

**Motion #2: To receive and adopt Section A of the Procedures and regulations presented in the 2010 AGM Procedures and Regulations Workshop.
Moved: Jim Allison (BCSSA), Seconded: Valya Roberts (OSSA), Carried**

15. Recognition

Marie-Claire proposed a moment of silence for those who have passed away and recognition of those who are moving on from Speed Skating Canada:

Moment of Silence for members who passes away:

John Hurdis

Acknowledgement of Branch presidents stepping down from their presidency:

Ann Evans
Cynthia Onions
Carl Sparrow

Committee Members and Chairs moving on to other challenges:

Mark Knoll
Isabelle Charest
Jim McClemments

Directors who are retiring from the Board:

Joyce Jackman
Nicole Slot

Marie-Claire also invited the branches to indicate if there is anyone else who should be added to the list.

16. Announcement

Marie-Claire announced the future sites of the Annual General Meeting:

2011 AGM – Alberta
2012 AGM – Montreal (125th Anniversary of Speed Skating Canada)

Motion of thanks for the following individuals and organizations

-local sponsors; John Sands
-major sponsors; Bell, Timex, Descente
-National office staff
- Skater representatives
-staff and committee members, committee chairs, OCC, Bryce Holbech, Endfeldt, Calgary Olympic Oval, Winsport, Sport Canda, AGM delgates, skaters, coaches, etc.

Motion: To thank all the above name individuals for their hard work and dedication

Moved: Pam Dunbar (NWTASSA); Seconded: Blair Carbert (AASSA), Carried

17. Adjournment

Marie-Claire Rouleau adjourned the meeting at 10:40EST.