

Speed Skating Canada
121th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Quebec, Quebec
Saturday June 14th, 2008

1- Call to order

The president, Brian Bunney, called the meeting to order at 8:15 am.

2- President's Welcome

Brian Bunney welcomed the delegates and guests to the Speed Skating Canada 121th AGM in Quebec City.

Brian Bunney introduced the Board of Directors: Nicole Slot, Athlete Director; Joyce Jackman, Director; Peter Dankers, Director; Jim Connolly, Director; Marie-Claire Rouleau, Director; Sean Maw, Director; Michel Daignault, Treasurer and Brian Bunney, President.

Brian Bunney introduced the National Office Staff: Jean Dupré, Director General; Brian Rahill, Director of Sport; Dawn Currie, Sport Development Director; Mark Mathies, National Team Program Manager; Yves Hamelin, Short Track Program manager; Finn Halverson, Long Track Program Manager; Yanna Moncion, Sport Program Assistant; Mylène Croteau, Manager of Communications; Doulgas Duncan, Project Manager; Jennifer Conway, Administrative Assistant and Membership Services Assistant and absent this year Pat Brennan, Director of Finance and Administration and Mariamanda Espinoza, Accounting Clerk.

Brian Bunney introduced the Committee Chairs and Committee Members present in Quebec City: Gregg Planert, High Performance Long Track; Susan Auch, High Performance Long Track; Tom Overend, High Performance Short Track; Bryce Holbech, High Performance Short Track; Jacques Grégoire, Officials Development Committee; Ted Houghton, Officials Development Committee; Hans Terstappen, Officials Development Committee; Nancy Goplen, Competitions Development Committee; Kathy Gregg, Competitions Development Committee; Peter Steele, Coaching Development Committee; David Gilday, Coaching Development Committee; David Knight, Club and Membership Development Committee; Peggy Poole, Club and Membership Development Committee.

Brian Bunney introduced the LTAD working group: Jim McClements and Dennis Duggan.

Brian Bunney welcomed the Skater's Representatives: Jean-René Bélanger, Kim Weger and mentioned Mathieu Giroux (absent) and Michael Gilday (absent) absent this weekend.

Brian Bunney recognized the guests who were attending parts of the AGM; Ian Dalling, from Sport Canada; Micheline and John Sands, special friends and supporters of speed skating; Catherine Humeny, Nanette Covernton and Russell Reimer, Calgary Organising Committee; Mark Greenwald, Moira Marshall, Karrie Kreutz and Sean Ireland, Calgary Olympic Oval; Magnus Enfeldt from VANOC; Gerry De Cicco, from the City of Richmond; Denis Plamondon from the National Training Centre in Montreal.

3- Roll Call of Delegates

Jean Dupre read through the delegates and asked for a show of hands. A total of 37 delegates, 2 athletes' representatives and 8 board members were in attendance and 10 proxies were held, for a total of 57 votes. Voting cards were handed out accordingly.

PROV / TERR	ACT ALL'D	DELEGATE	TOTAL		
Nunavut	2	John Maurice	1		
		Josée Tremblay	1		
NWT	3	Pam Dunbar	3		
Yukon	1	Cynthia Onions	1		
BC	6	Sue Spencer	3		
		Marg Kriek	2		
Alberta	4	Barb Beck	1		
		Phyllis Loewen	1		
		Wendy Walker	1		
		Nicole Deering	1		
SK	4	Shawna Pearman	1		
		Doug Hynne	1		
		Shawn MacLennan	1		
		Malcolm Conly	1		
Manitoba	3	Ryan Campbell	1		
		John Brighty	1		
		Nicolle Moskven	1		
Ontario	6	Bill Gendron	1		
		Stephen Arnold	1		
		Todd Landon	1		
		Graham Wilkins	3		
Quebec	12	David Stewart	1		
		Gilles Dufour	3		
		Robert Dubreuil	1		
		Stéphane Bronsard	1		
		André Beaulieu	2		
		Michelle Casoni	1		
		Maryse Poudrier	1		
		Benoît Lamarche	1		
		Sylvette Lemieux	1		
		Richard Caux	1		
NB	4	Ann Evans	1		
		Derrick McLeod	1		
		Roger Ouellette	1		
		Nadine Ross	1		
NFL	1	No delegates	0		
PEI	1	Glenn Holmes	1		
NS	1	Bernard Crane	1		
Board of Directors	8	Brian Bunney	1		
		Marie-Claire Rouleau	1		
		Sean Maw	1		
		Peter Dankers	1		
		Joyce Jackman	1		
		Jim Connolly	1		
		Michel Daignault	1		
		Nicole Slot	1		
		Skaters Representative	4	Kim Weger	1
				Jean-René Bélanger	1
Allowable	60	Total Votes	57		

4- Approval of Agenda

Motion: To approve the AGM Agenda as amended
Moved by: Graham Wilkins; Second: Marg Kreick

CARRIED

5- Greetings from US Speed Skating

Katie Traver the US Speed Skating representative thanked Speed Skating Canada for the invitation to attend the 121th AGM.

6- Approval of Minutes of 2007 AGM

Motion: To approve the 2007 AGM Minutes as amended.
Moved by: Glenn Holmes; Second by: Tom Lipsett

CARRIED

7- Reports

Brian Bunney addressed each of the reports that was distributed with the delegates package.

President's Report

Motion: That the 2008 AGM receive the President's Report as distributed.
Moved by: John Maurice; Second by: Pam Dunbar

CARRIED

National Office Report

Motion: That the 2008 AGM receive the National Office as distributed.
Moved by: Sue Spencer; Second by: Graham Wilkins

SSC Committee Reports

Motion: That the 2008 AGM receive the Committee Reports.
Moved by: Doug Hynne; Second by: Bernie Crane

CARRIED

Branch Reports

Motion: That the 2008 AGM receive the Branch Reports.
Moved by: John Brighty; Second by: Stephane Bronsard

CARRIED

Calgary Organizing Committee Report

Motion: That the 2008 AGM receive the Calgary Organizing Report.
Moved by: Phyllis Loewen; Second by: Jean-Rene Belanger

CARRIED

8- Elections

Motion: To designate Jean Dupré as the President of Elections.
Moved by: Robert Dubreuil; Second by: Tom Overend

CARRIED

Positions

President

Board – 2 year term (2 positions)

HPCLT Chair – 2 year term

HPCST Chair – 2 year term

Nominees

Marie-Claire Rouleau

Jim Connolly, Susan Auch, Glenn Holmes

Gregg Planert

Tom Overend

President position

Jean Dupré advised that Marie-Claire Rouleau was the only candidate nominated for the President position. Jean requested three times for nominations from the floor. No further nominations were received.

Jean Dupre declared Marie-Claire Rouleau elected by acclamation as the President of Speed Skating Canada.

Director at Large for 2 years – 2 positions

Jean Dupré noted that there were two positions open for Director at Large. Jim Connolly stood for re-election and two nominations were received for Susan Auch and Glenn Holmes. Jean Dupré requested three times for nominations from the floor. No further nominations were received.

Jean Dupre asked the nominees to say a few words.

Motion: To designate Catherine Humeny and Nanette Covernton as Scrutineers for the elections.

Moved by: Joyce Jackman; Second by: Graham Wilkins

CARRIED

Jean Dupré declared Susan Auch and Glenn Holmes elected as Director at Large.

High Performance Long Track and Short Track Committee Chairs – 1 position

Jean Dupré advised that the name of Gregg Planert was submitted for the High Performance Long Track Committee by ASSA.

Motion: To declare the nomination of Tom Overend as chair of the HPST committee.

Moved by: Robert Dubreuil; Second by: Todd Landon

CARRIED

Jean Dupré asked three times for any nominations from the floor. No further nominations were received.

Jean Dupré declared Gregg Planert elected by acclamation as chair for the High Performance Long Track Committee and Tom Overend elected by acclamation as chair for the High Performance Short Track Committee.

Jean Dupré informed the delegates that Nicole Slot has been re-elected as the Athlete Director by the athletes.

Motion: For the ballots to be destroyed.

Moved by: John Maurice; Second by: Graham Wilkins

CARRIED

Jean Dupré and Brian Bunney thanked Jim Connolly for his contribution to the Board of Directors and congratulated the newly elected members and re-elected members.

9- Present Audited 2007-08 Financial Statement

The audited statement was presented to the delegates by Michel Daignault. Michel reviewed the revenues and expenses.

Motion: That SSC receive 2007-2008 audited financial statement.

Moved by: Sue Spencer; Second by: Marg Kriek

CARRIED

10- Recommend and Approve Auditors

Motion: That SSC appoint McCay and Duff & Company as auditors for the 2008-2009 financial year.

Moved by: Pam Dunbar; Second by: Doug Hynne

CARRIED

11- Present 2008-2009 Budget

Michel Daignault presented the 2008-2009 Budget, covering the highlights, revenues and expenses, income statement and balance sheet, to illustrate SSC's financial position.

Motion: That SSC receive the 2008-2009 budget as presented.

Moved by: Ann Evans; Second by: Bernie Clane

CARRIED

12- Presentation of Rules

Jacques Grégoire, chairman of the Officials Development Committee gave a brief summary of what transpired during the Rules Workshop.

35 Rule rules changes – House keeping rules

34 – Carried

1 – ~~Defided~~ Defeated

Motion: That SSC receive the report of the 2008 Rules Workshop.

Moved by: Cynthia Onion; Second by: Bernie Crane

CARRIED

13- SSC Business Items

a) By-Law/P&R changes

Change in - Item #50

Article #1

St-Foy is now Quebec City

Motion: Whereas the board of Directors struck a subcommittee to consider revisions to the Speed Skating Canada By-Law at a meeting of the Board on September 8, 2007; and

Whereas this subcommittee consisted of Brian Bunney, Joyce Jackman, Sean Maw and Marie-Claire Rouleau, and has also received legal advice from John Curtis; and

Whereas the subcommittee has drafted a revised By-Law and circulated same to Branch Presidents, SSC Standing Committee Members, Coaches, Skater Representatives and Staff for review and input,

Be it resolved that the current By-Law No.1 of Speed Skating Canada, adopted June 16, 2007 be amended as more particularly set out in Appendix “A” to this Motion in a document showing the specific amendments by way of comparison with the current By-Law No. 1. Appendix “B” to this Motion shows a clean copy of the amended By-Law No.1, which will replace the current By-Law on the passing of this Motion and after obtaining the necessary approval from the Minister of industry. (should this be Ministry of Industry?)

Moved by: Board subcommittee; Second by: Glenn Holmes

CARRIED

Motion: To approve the III – 200 Forms of Ordinary Membership

Moved by: Club & Membership Development Committee (David Knight);

Second by: Doug Hynne

CARRIED

Motion: That the membership fee for associate member be reduced by June 14th, 2008

Moved by: Jim Connolly; Second by: Ryan Campbell

CARRIED

b) 2008 Recommendations

Jean Dupre presented a short resume on the situation with the short track facility in Vancouver for the Olympics.

c) Other

Coaching development model (CEBET)

Motion: 2008 AGM approved the coaching development model.

Moved by: Doug Hynne; Second by: Cynthia Onions

CARRIED

VANOC Presentation

Magnus Enfeldt and Bryce Holbech presented the delegates with an update of the situation for Long Track and Short Track.

Richmond Oval Presentation

Gerry De Cicco gave an update on the status of the Oval project in Richmond.

14- Announce Site of 2009 AGM

Sue Spencer announced that the 2009 Speed Skating Canada AGM will take place in

Richmond, British Columbia.

15- Motions of thanks

Brian Bunney proposed a motion of thanks to the following individuals and organizations:

To the FPVQ and the AGM Organizing Committee for their excellent plans for the weekend and their contribution;

To all local sponsors and John Sands and Associates Printing;

To all of our major sponsors: Bell, Sport Canada, HBC, ING, General Mills, TIMEX, Descente, Auclair, Adidas Eyewear and USANA;

To the National Office staff for their assistance throughout the year and at this AGM;

To the Skaters' Representatives for their assistance during the year and at this AGM;
To the staff and committees of the National Training centers for their care and assistance to our skaters;

To the committee chairs and members, for their contribution throughout the year;

To all the officials for their contribution;

To the Calgary Organizing Committee for their expertise in organizing international competitions;

To the Short Track World Cup Organizing Committees for their expertise in organizing international competitions;

To the Board of Directors for their contribution to this AGM and the many hours they contribute throughout the year;

To the Calgary Olympic Oval for their contribution to our success;

To the Calgary Olympic Development Association and the Canadian Olympic Committee;

To Heritage Canada and Ian Dalling for its contribution financial support and advice;

To all delegates, for their contribution at this AGM;

And most importantly, to the skaters and coaches of whom we are very proud for the excellent performances throughout the season;

Motion: To express gratitude to all mentioned above.

Moved by: Doug Hynne; Second by: Robert Dubreuil

CARRIED

16- Adjournment

Brian Bunney adjourned the meeting at 12:46 PM.