

WSWO Annual General Meeting 2021

Location: Zoom

Date: May 18, 2021

Attendees: Mike Comrie, Wendy Durigon, Steve Collins, Jaime McClintock, Andrew Bergman, Scott Marshall, Tom Wheeler, Sean Gilberto, Rob Cresswell, Katie Bice, Kyle Fraser, Ross Mirsky, Jasmine Northcott, Jason McClintock, Erika, Langman, Todd Spaulding, Renee Hassian, Paul Roberts, Blair O'Neill, Steve Levinson, Jamie Calhoun, Paul Soares, Scott Fasano, Leslie Sparkes, Ted Collins, Doug Debruin, Jaime Fairbian, Dustin Titus, Terry Jones, Rob Baxter, Mike Spence, Ann-Marie Calhoun, Bill Calhoun, Steve Jarrett, Jake Thomas, Joy

Minutes recorded by: Laz Klein

Minutes from AGM 2020: Andrew Bergman, Second, Mike Spence.

Review of reports:

- President's Report

- Great turnout.
- Thanks to everyone for make the best of the pandemic situation
- Great participation by everyone on the board.
- Special thanks to Wendy!
- We have integrated with Watersports Connect which strengthens our relationship with WSWC
- It's the place to go for membership and all things watersports.

- Traditional

- Presented by Stephen Collins
- Scheduling was very difficult due to Covid but we were still able to have 10 sanctioned events.
- Thanks to all the sites for make these events happen.
- Special thanks to Jeff McClintock Ted Collins, Harold Townsend, Ross Mirsky
- Ontario was province of the year for 2020. Announced at the end of the season

- Wakeboard

- Presented by Todd Spaulding
- Had fewer events because of Covid.
- The final season event was very successful and included a training event.
- There were a number of grassroots activities and clinics.
- For the upcoming year, there are 4 or 5 events scheduled. Schedule to be released very shortly.
- Exciting summer camps are anticipated depending on conditions.
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- Barefoot

- Presented by Mike Spence
- Because of Covid, there were no competitive events last year.
- Barefooters used the time to upgrade official certifications.
- For 2021 possible nationals at the end of August.
- Still concerns about liability, etc.
- Site for 2018 Worlds in Napanee, is up for sale.

- Adaptive

- Presented by Jake Thomas
- No events but was able to procure a significant amount of new equipment.

- Ontario is now in great shape with regard to equipment
- Need more instructors and coaches.
- Always looking for people for international events.
- **Coaching**
 - Dustin Titus
 - Challenging time last year but were able to get some courses completed.
 - Temporary schedule that includes 9 hours of virtual training (coaching course). Will be two dates. Costs and details pending. Will require a 3 hour in person component, when safe.
- **Grants and funding** (Wendy Durigon)
 - Positive year. Ontario amateur sport fund came through last year.
 - Federal funding was received, covering some of the Covid costs.
 - WSWO member sites and tournament sites were offered Covid relief funds.
 - There are still some unused funds and possibly some more on the way.
 - We have \$10 000 for PSO clubs to distribute.
 - The Ministry always wants to support underrepresented groups. There are funds that can be applied for. Must be run according to Ministry guidelines. Covers a portion of the costs.
 - Quest for Gold: there has been no activity at the provincial level. Not sure when it will be active again. 2021 unlikely.
- **Marketing**
 - Presented by Erika
 - Happy with the website from two years ago.
 - Social media accounts are not being used very much.
 - Looking forward to the next director of Marketing.
 - Special thanks to Rob Baxter.
- **Motion to approve the reports:**
 - Andrew Bergman, Second: Terry Jones.

Review of financial statements (Tom Wheeler)

- Currently doing fairly well as a sport.
- We have been able to weather the Covid storm.
- Membership was down last year.
- \$322 000 in the bank to run the office, run programs and grow the sport.
- Revenue: up this year, mostly related to grants.
- Membership and instructors course revenue was significantly down.
- Event revenues were way down.
- Discussion on the best ways to use funds to grow the sport.
- There was a question about the process which is to contact your discipline chair and take it to the board.
- Asked to post strategic plan on website
- Motion to approve financial statements.
 - Laz Klein, second: Wendy Durigon.

Appointment of Independent Accountants

- Happy with current firm and will continue
- Motion to continue with the firm: approved: Tom Wheeler, second Andrew Bergman

Executive Board Elections

- Positions: acclaimed. See list
- vote for Marketing: Kyle Fraser and Rob Cresswell.
- Presentation by Kyle Fraser.. as per Rob, we will acclaim Kyle.

Other business

- Request for how to progress through official certification from Doug Debruin.
- Appropriate links to WSWC posted to chat.

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

- Move to adjourn: Scott Marshall, seconded by Andrew.