# BOWLING FEDERATION OF SASKATCHEWAN
# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
# October 4, 2015
# MINUTES

**PRESENT**:
Executive Members with no voting privileges:

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| Shirley Bird, President | Rhonda Kurbis, Executive Director |
| Terri Lynn Ruhr, Vice President | Ellen Griffin, Secretary/Treasurer |

Delegates with voting privileges:

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| Andrea Huber, S5PBA | Wanda Sweatman, MBAS |
| Alice Gray, STF | Les Wardrop, MBAS |
| Mary Cunningham, Bowl Sask. | Blaine Boyle, STF |
| Shelley Baer, Bowl Sask. | Shona Stapleton, S5PBA |

Guest: Moe Hvidston, MBAS, Heather Lawrence, S5PBA, Quinn Materna, STF

Shirley Bird called the meeting to order at 12:35 pm.

1. Reading and Approval of Minutes from April 11, 2015.

No errors or omissions. No amendments.

**MOTION by Blaine Boyle to adopt the Minutes from April 11, 2015 as distributed. Seconded by Alice Gray. CARRIED**

2. Business arising from the Minutes:

1) 2018 Saskatchewan Winter Games, Technical Proposal - Rhonda

**History:**
Concerns after the 2014 Saskatchewan Games are as follows:
- The Youth need to bowl more. There was too much free time and not enough activities for the Youth to participate in.
- It has been suggested the teams play a double or even triple round robin.
- Suggested a POA format be implemented rather than match/scratch format.
- One of the District Coaches was appointed very late and subsequently had a hard time coordinating everything within their District as well as the Federation and the Host Games Coordinator. Every effort is made to advertise and secure District Coordinators well in advance. Unfortunately, this does not always get communicated effectively within the District and we will look at ways to improve communication well in advance of the Games.

- Some Districts within Special O were unable to field a full contingent. Four player teams could not go into the stepladder but the coaches allowed them to compete regardless and I applaud them for that. I have worked with Special O on their Winter Games Application and they are changing from a five player team to a four player team. Also, Special O should be run as a POA not scratch match point. I will work with Special O on what they deem appropriate for their athletes.

**Considerations:**
- The 2018 Saskatchewan Winter Games have not been awarded to a community as of yet.
- The Games Technical Package will be submitted sometime in 2017.
- Once the Games have been awarded to a community, I will work with the Host Coordinator on what is best for the athletes and include Special O in the planning process.

I would like to thank Derek Hlewka and Shona Stapleton for all their efforts coordinating and hosting the Games. I heard nothing but compliments and thanks for keeping the best interests of the athletes at the forefront of your decisions.

2) Rhonda was to check with Sask. Sport to find out if she can communicate any relevant criminal offences to a privacy officer of the Member Organization. The answer is, yes, she can.

3. First Call for Nominations – Vice President – 2 year term

Mary Cunningham nominated Shelley Baer, seconded by Shona Stapleton.
Blaine Boyle nominated Alice Gray, seconded by Wanda Sweatman.

4. **Reports**:

Federation President, Shirley Bird – verbal report
Nothing to report other than things are moving quite well.

Federation Executive Director, Rhonda Kurbis
I completed the 2018 Saskatchewan Winter Games Application and received word this week our application has been approved.

Took training this week for the updated Sport Profile Follow Up Report and submitted all information required by Sask Sport for entry into their data base in order for them to put the new Follow Up Report on line this weekend.

Map Grant Funding guidelines, deadlines, and forms will be posted on the web site in the near future. I will send a notification out to the Member Organizations once it has been posted.

For those of you who don't know, Maurice Schmidt's wife passed away September 21st.
I spoke with Maurice and extended our sympathies.

Further to the updated Follow Up Report and the Winter Games submission, our Sport is

required to identify our LTAD stages in relation to our Tournaments, Coaching, Officials, Training, Talent ID and Introductory programs. More and more emphasis is being placed on us to implement the LTAD.

Our **Exceptional Needs** program for the 2014/2015 fiscal year assisted coaches in the Learning facilitator capacity to take courses offered provincially to ensure they meet all the course requirements. Since I last reported in April the Committee met the end of May to plan for this fiscal year. Thus far Shirley has visited Lashburn. In the coming weeks we will schedule our visitations and Learn to Bowl clinics, should any of you require assistance please contact me and I will inform the committee.

I will be applying for both a City of Regina Hosting Grant as well as a Sask Sport Hosting grant for the C5PBA National Championships to be held June 1-4, 2016.

John and Marlene Hoffman are being inducted into the Regina Sports Hall of Fame as builders. Both have contributed enormously to the Federation and the Saskatchewan 5 Pin Bowlers Association.

Should you have any questions or require information please contact me.

Shirley – Lashburn had an open house registration day, didn't get the turnout they expected. They are a fairly active group promoting the sport. In discussions a lot of things were touched upon involving YBC and leagues, the differences between Alberta and Saskatchewan Masters, a lot of questions. They are in good shape financially, very interested in joining YBC and Sask. 5, no definite commitment yet. Coaches need some updating. Hoping to pick up a number of bowlers from Lloydminster from the centre that closed. Les was contacted for a coaching clinic but they need to become a member before clinics can happen. Rhonda helped them with their non-profit corporation status.

Member Organizations Reports:

<u>Shelley Baer, Bowl Sask.</u>

Good morning everyone. Our bowling season is underway and I'm excited to see what this year has in store. Bowl Canada Executive along with our President's committee's decided to revamp our national tournaments. So now we have a brand new tournament called the Canada Cup. No more national classified. This new tournament is going to send actual teams to a provincial final. You will advance as a team formed by either your team, or a made up team. Based on average so it just doesn't matter on amount of men or ladies. First time ever, you and your family could actually make a team together and compete at a national event. For now 1 team per province.

The Club 55 is now referred to without the plus sign. They too have been revamped to have a 4 player team. After talking to Paul this week the thought of being flexible in how we run this should be allowed. So allowing them to qualify with their actual league team could be possible. These 2 tournaments will be ran as one national finals.

Our national executive along with provincial representatives are some movers & shakers that are not afraid of making changes. Bowl Canada meetings that our Bowl Sask representatives attend in January and June have become very important. So many proprietors across Canada have asked for changes, or wanting to know why to join Bowl Canada. We do believe we are on the right steps. Rebranding &Marketing is on a high priority list. I truly believe in doing all this work we may be able to market ourselves better. In doing so hopefully we will be able to get some sponsorship once again.

In closing I want to welcome our new Federation members and look forward to working with all of you. Thanks for all your hard work and dedication in this sport we all love.

New rules - No children under the age of 8 are allowed to go to Nationals and Bantams are now a doubles team instead of a 4 member team.

The contingent will no longer be flying together. The flight price will be offset and given to parents so they get there on their own.

Mary – YBC National has decided to pro rate flights, costly decision, we didn't get any notice or chance to vote on it. The National body is cutting costs in several areas which causes hardship to the provinces.

Blaine Boyle, STF

First off I would like to say thank you for being invited to your meeting. It's been a great summer so far with lots of great things going on in the ten pin world including being on the short list for the 2020 Olympics. Unfortunately the bid for the inclusion in the Olympic Games was unsuccessful.

Our youth consider to excel with taking many medals home from both YBC and CTF Nationals, including Kelsi Beauchamp from Saskatoon who was the fifth person to win the elusive Triple Crown in ten pin in its 51 year history, she also made Youth Team Canada on her first try at the Canadian Team Trials this summer.

We held our annual meeting September 19th where we reelected our Vice President and our Provincial Youth Director. We also passed our budget for the 2015/16 bowling season. There are some great things coming to the sport of ten pin which will be announced at the CTF National meeting in November, I will update you after they are announced.

As it is early in the start of the season there isn't much else to report at this time. So with that I will say thank you for your time and have a great bowling season.

Les Wardrop, MBAS

It has been a good year for the Masters this year.

We are stable, both financially and with our participation, although I think we can do better on both fronts if we can increase our membership.

I think we showed a vast improvement in our national showing by winning four medals and moving up in the aggregate standings.

We held numerous clinics this past year and have already got several set for the new season. There is also a scramble by our old Level II coaches to upgrade to competitive status as the deadline is fast approaching. These are all encouraging signs to perhaps a renewed interest in the sport.

I welcome the newly elected 5 Pin officials to this body. I look forward to working with you and hope that our good working relationship is continued.

Shona Stapleton, S5PBA

In April of this year, the InterProvincial Championships were held in Gatineau, Quebec. Team B was 3rd in their pool missing the playoffs by 4 points. Saskatchewan did have some of the IP high scores. Allison Rayburn 301 scratch and the 712 triple scratch. Alicia Morin had a +170 POA triple.

The Youth Challenge was held in Edmonton in March. More high scores for Saskatchewan. Sara Thiemann had the high triple of 928. Austin Blais was first in the Mens Allstar/Scholarship. Coaches were Les Wardrop and Wanda Sweatman.

At the end of May the C5 Open Championships were held with the Saskatoon Mixed Team bringing home the gold, Saskatoon Mens Team took bronze and Brad Moens won silver in the Singles division.

We received one Grass Roots Coach nomination this year. It was sent to the C5 but was not chosen. No Life Member nominations were sent in this season. If you would like to nominate a coach for the Coach of the Year award, please send your application to Heather Lawrence or one of the Executive. The forms are on the website or can contact me for more info.

This past year a committee was formed with representation from each zone to look at ways to improve our Open zone problems. Each rep was to get the opinions of the bowlers and houses in their zone. The committee met twice, had a conference call and emails. More discussion will be held and hopefully a solution will be found.

Committees:
LTAD – there is money budgeted for implementation, document will be updated and put on website. Rhonda gave a brief outline of what the LTAD is for the new Delegates.

5. Second Call for Nominations

Andrea Huber nominated Terri Lynn Ruhr, seconded by Alice Gray.

6. Old Business:

Strategic Plan – was emailed to all Delegates prior to the meeting.
Rhonda went through the Plan page by page.
Updates will be done and sent to the Board.

7. New Business

a) Approval of 2014/2015 Audited Financial Statement

Copies were distributed to the Delegates. Rhonda went through the statement. Discussion.

**MOTION by Alice Gray to accept/adopt the Bowling Federation of Saskatchewan's 2014/2015 audited financial statement. Seconded by Les Wardrop. CARRIED**

b) Ratification of all business

**MOTION by Alice Gray to approve all overages in expenditures over operating budget for the 2014/2015 fiscal year. Seconded by Mary Cunningham. CARRIED**

**MOTION by Alice Gray to ratify all business and transactions conducted by the Bowling Federation of Saskatchewan Executive and Board of Directors for the 2014/2015 fiscal year. Seconded by Wanda Sweatman. CARRIED**

c) Appointment of Auditor

**MOTION by Blaine Boyle to appoint Don K. McMillan as auditor for the 2015/2016 fiscal year. Seconded by Alice Gray. CARRIED**

d) Executive Honorariums

**Motion by Les Wardrop that the Federation pay the following honorariums to the following Federation Executive members in the current fiscal year: President - $400, Vice President - $200, and Secretary-Treasurer - $400. Seconded by Andrea Huber. CARRIED.**

e) The registered office address for the Bowling Federation of Saskatchewan needs to be amended as it still shows Jack's address. Ellen prepared the necessary document to do so and Rhonda will file it at Information Services.

f) The Masters had a rough time with the audit this year as the auditor requested photo evidence of their inventory. Since they have never asked for this before, Rhonda checked with Sask. Sport to determine whether this is something they can do. The answer is, this is a legitimate request and they can ask her do that. However it is an extreme measure considering the percentage of the inventory revenue value to the overall revenue. As a customer you can choose your auditor.

8. Third call for nominations. No further nominations.

**MOTION by Shona Stapleton to move nominations cease. Seconded by Blaine Boyle. CARRIED**

The nominees were asked if they would let their names stand and all three said yes. Ballots were then handed out. The 1st Vice President will be Shelley Baer.

**MOTION by Blaine Boyle to destroy the ballots. Seconded by Les Wardrop. CARRIED**

9. Next Meeting will be March 5, 2016 at 2:00 pm in Saskatoon. Venue tbd.

10. Adjournment

**MOTION by Les Wardrop to adjourn the meeting.**