

**BOWLING FEDERATION OF SASKATCHEWAN
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
September 30, 2018
MINUTES**

PRESENT:

Executive Members with no voting privileges:

Shirley Bird, President

Shelley Baer, Vice President

Rhonda Kurbis, Executive Director

Ellen Griffin, Secretary/Treasurer

Delegates with voting privileges:

Calvin Shaw, S5PBA

Moe Hvidston, MBAS

Mary Cunningham, Bowl Sask.

Blaine Boyle, STF

Shona Stapleton, S5PBA

Les Wardrop, MBAS

Leesa Cunningham, Bowl Sask.

Alice Gray, STF

Guests: Jessica Bloos

Shirley Bird called the meeting to order at 12:00 noon.

Roll Call

1. Reading and Approval of Minutes from April 29, 2018.

**MOTION by Mary Cunningham to adopt the Minutes from April 29, 2018 as distributed.
Seconded by Shona Stapleton. CARRIED**

2. Business arising from the Minutes:

LTAD committee – one person from each Member Organization needed for the committee. Committee members will be: Randy Ostlund for Bowl Sask., Les Wardrop for MBAS, and Dennis Brooks for Sask. 5. Meeting dates TBA.

Stanley Mission – Randy talked to them and helped them get their lanes going. Tried to set up a meeting this summer but that didn't happen. Summer is the only time that they can meet so it is on hold until next year.

3. First Call for Nominations – President – 2 year term
Mary Cunningham nominated Shirley Bird, seconded by Moe Hvidston.

4. **Reports:**

Federation President, Shirley Bird – verbal report

Another fairly successful year.

Federation Executive Director, Rhonda Kurbis

Thank you to everyone for attending. I would like to wish an early Happy Birthday to Ellen Griffin and Mary Cunningham.

Most of you have attended the Member Organization's AGM's so I will not be repetitive in my report.

Follow Up Report is due the end of October. All Member Organizations are required to submit their respective Follow Up Report information no later than October 19th, 2018. Late submissions may incur a financial penalty. Deadlines are important for all us to perform our duties and subsequently meet our own deadlines.

Map Grant guidelines and forms will be posted on the website in October. Again deadlines are to be adhered to.

I have emailed out the Membership Assessments. Invoices for the latter will be sent out in February/March.

I will be researching facilitators for Bowl Sask for Social Media and First Nations education for their Members meeting in June. There is a free event sponsored by Tourism Saskatoon. I encourage anyone who is interested in Social Media for the promotion of their organization to attend.

I will be attending a Sask Sport Inclusion Conference October 23rd & 24th.

I thank all of you for your contributions to our Member Organizations and to our Sport.

Member Organizations Reports:

Randy Ostlund, Bowl Sask.

There is not a lot on the bowling front. All centres I have spoken with are off to a good start.

Due to reasons I cannot share right now, I may have to step down as the Bowl Sask President. I will inform everyone in an email by the 15th of October.

I want to thank you, Ellen, once again for all your effort on rewriting BowlSask and Sask YBC bylaws.

*Note – Mary advised that North Battleford is not a registered centre.

Blaine Boyle, STF

Good day one and all. On September 22nd we held our AGM in Regina, We held elections for the position of Vice President and Provincial Youth Coordinator and our new VP is Jessica Bloos and Monique Ley is our Provincial Youth Coordinator.

We introduced our Sask Ten Pin Youth Code of Conduct which we feel is another good step going forward in the protection of our youth bowlers. We are also recommending all of our coaches to take

the Commit to Kids online course as well.

With changes being made nationally and competition getting stronger, we have made changes to our Youth Provincial tournament. We feel it is better if all youth bowl 7 games to qualify out of the provincial as that is the minimum they have to bowl at a National event. Also, we will be adding a minimum of 4 practices with the coaches and players that make the National team so they can become comfortable with one another.

In July we also ran a Comp Dev Coach Clinic and had 10 participants. Saskatchewan now has the most Comp dev coaches in Canada with 14.

Les Wardrop, MBAS

The MBAS is in decent shape, both in membership and finances. Our membership was down last year but all projections for this year show a renewed interest in the organization with all of our Community Coach clinics well attended as well as several attendees from each course displaying an interest in competing in our tournaments.

Our Intro to Competition course, however, was extremely poorly attended and because of this we have instituted a pre-register, pre-pay, non-refundable requirement before we schedule any clinics to ensure an adequate number of people attend.

The issue of the PD points has been somewhat resolved although not entirely to everyone's liking. I still believe we will lose coaches over the re-certification process, but perhaps not as many as we would have. C5 and CAC still need to get on the same page as we are getting correspondence from CAC stating our coaches need to achieve the points requirement while C5 says they have worked this out with CAC and points are no longer required. According to C5, we need to re-certify every five years and sign a Code of Conduct declaration to maintain our certificates. One bonus on our part is by instituting a requirement for all of our coaches to have their RiS certification, we have avoided extra costs and courses that will be required by all other provinces except for ourselves and Manitoba.

At our recently completed Nationals in Thunder Bay, our contingent did exceptionally well winning six medals, one in every division, a feat I am told never happened before so I am proud of that fact.

Over the past six or eight months, we have had numerous issues with the bank we have been dealing with so we have moved our accounts to another branch, still Scotiabank, where we have been treated much better and more efficiently.

We are looking into having it become possible for our members to be able to enter and pay for membership, tournament entries and clinics online through online banking, e-transfers or direct deposit. I feel this will help us eliminate most of our cash deposits as most younger people do not do cheques and we are hit hard by the bank for cash transactions. At worst, it will cost no more than we are paying now, at best, save us some funding and maybe attract or at least maintain a younger core group of participants.

I still hear at every National event I attend how lucky we are to have a Bowling Federation in Saskatchewan and how envious other jurisdictions are of our great working relationship and our being a front runner in implementing new programs.

Good job everyone!

Shona Stapleton, S5PBA

Welcome everyone – bowling is back in full swing. It is good to see everyone again. I hope your summer was a good one; as short as it was – it seems like fall came at the end of July.

C5 Updates: Coaching – new developments in coaching are upon us again; but because we are ahead of the game, it really doesn't affect us as much as other provinces. The CAC is looking at adding components to the requirements for our coaches. They are as follows:

Respect in Sport – this is not mandatory yet, but it is recommended that all coaches go and do the online training for this. This will be included in the new coaches training starting in 2019-2020. There will be a cost to it that will be incorporated into the cost of the Intro to Competition. This could be incorporated into the evaluation process; MED and RIS must be completed before the evaluation process begins. The cost will increase from \$175 to \$205. This will be effective immediately. Existing coaches do not have to have it now but it will eventually be required. Give current coaches the option to do it now before it is required.

NOTE: This does not affect the province of Saskatchewan – we are ahead of the game. All of our coaches are already required to have this training at the Community Coach level before they can get on the lanes with their team. Therefore, we will not be charged the extra \$30 and our coaches will not have to take the training again.

Code of Conduct for the Protection of Children – This will be part of the re-certification renewal process. It is a document that each coach/volunteer will sign during the renewal process – no cost to this.

Commit to Kids (Community Coaches) – this training is also online; CAC is requiring us to include this in our training program starting in 2019-2020 season. There is a \$12 cost to the program. You need to have a NCCP# to do the training; so basically it is done after the clinic takes place once you get your coach number. This program is now a part of the training for new coaches. It may become a requirement for all coaches. Again you may want to get ahead of the game and get the training done before it is a requirement for coaches that do not have it.

NOTE: Again, this does not affect Saskatchewan, because we have integrated the RIS directly into the program so we are not required to take this training.

Making Headway – This is also an online session that takes approximately 60-90 minutes. The C5 is recommending that this be included in the training. This is training in the concussion protocols for the various sports. There is no charge to this program. It can be found at www.coach.ca.

Special Olympics – Last year there were indications that the C5 was not going to re-sign with the Special Olympics; but that has since changed. All of the provinces were in favor of continuing to work with the Special Olympics program. A new contract has been signed for 3 years – the base cost for each province remains the same - \$2500. We raise this through our membership fees at \$.55 per member.

Youth Challenge – The C5PBA is now requiring that there be a deposit of \$150 per guest for flights that are booked by the C5.

Heather Lawrence and Andrea Huber have stepped down. Dennis Brooks is now the 1st Vice, Tracey Pitt is the 2nd Vice, and Calvin Shaw is the new Treasurer.

Saskatchewan will be hosting the IP in 2019.

Rhonda will meet with Calvin to explain grant processes and other Sask. Sport related requirements and responsibilities.

Committees:

Exceptional Needs:

Rhonda – the committee will meet to discuss the possibility of paying for the Commit to Kids initiative.

Moosomin – Randy reached out to them a couple of times but was unable to schedule anything with them re Learn to Bowl clinics etc.

5. Second Call for Nominations – none

6. Old Business:

Strategic Plan – tabled to the April meeting.

7. New Business

a) Audited Financial Statement

Rhonda distributed draft copies of the Audit to everyone and advised of the errors made by the Auditor. Once the final Audit has been completed and received, Rhonda will send out to the Member Organizations.

MOTION by Les Wardrop to accept/adopt the Bowling Federation of Saskatchewan's 2017/2018 audited financial statement. Seconded by Alice Gray. CARRIED

b) Expenditures over operating budget

MOTION by Alice Gray to approve all overages in expenditures over operating budget for the 2017/2018 fiscal year. Seconded by Shona Stapleton. CARRIED

c) Ratification of business

MOTION by Mary Cunningham to ratify all business and transactions conducted by the Bowling Federation of Saskatchewan Executive and Board of Directors for the 2017/2018 fiscal year. Seconded by Les Wardrop. CARRIED

d) Appointment of Auditor

MOTION by Moe Hvidston to appoint the accounting firm of Priority Accounting Services as the auditor for the 2018/2019 fiscal year. Seconded by Blaine Boyle. CARRIED

e) Executive Honorariums

MOTION by Shona Stapleton 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 Alice Gray. CARRIED.

Other new business: Inclusion/Gender Policy
Rhonda emailed the following Policy to the Delegates.

Any member (athlete, coach, staff, manager, official, volunteer or other persons) who identifies as gender and/or sexually diverse may participate fully and safely in Bowling Federation of activities. This includes, but is not limited to, those who are or who are perceived as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, transsexual, two-spirit, queer or questioning. All members, regardless of gender identity, shall have the opportunity to participate in Bowling Federation of Saskatchewan activities, in a safe, respectful, inclusive and non-judgmental environment.

Any transgender athlete may participate fully in sex-separated Bowling Federation of Saskatchewan activities in accordance with his/her lived gender identity. Any athlete who identifies as unspecified must choose the gender with which they will participate.

Discussion.

Blaine – STF basically has the same policy, they will have to choose before they participate and they cannot change their gender mid year.

It was decided to amend the policy by adding “by August 1st of each year” at the end of the last sentence.

MOTION by Les Wardrop to adopt the Inclusion/Gender Policy as amended. Seconded by Blaine Boyle. CARRIED

The policy will be posted on the website.

Shirley – raised the issue of people bowling in Lloydminster and Lashburn. If you live in Alberta and bowl in Saskatchewan, can you enter tournaments in both provinces. Should the bowling centre that you bowl in be the determining factor of which province you can enter tournaments in. Discussion.

It was decided that each Member Organization should make a motion to cover this issue in compliance with their NSO.

8. Third call for nominations. No further nominations.

MOTION by Les Wardrop to move nominations cease. Seconded by Leesa Cunningham. CARRIED

Shirley will let her name stand for President.

9. Next meeting date will be April 28, 2019 in Saskatoon. Meeting location and time TBA.

10. Adjournment 1:45pm.