



RFANS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Atlantic Oak Island Inn and Marina, Chester
Thursday, May 9th 2013

Minutes

Call to Order: President Ray Gouchie calls to order at 12:46

Ray welcomed everyone and thanked the delegates and the sponsors for their participation and support to the Association, the Conference Organizing committee for their hard work in putting the conference and this year's golf tournament with 34 participants. Ray extended special thanks and welcome to Carrie Fraser and Aaron Nutting from the N.S. Dept. of Health and Wellness for the Department's continued support of the Association.

Approval of Agenda: Moved to accept by Richard Devenney, 2nd MaryAnn Gauvin, carried.

Adoption of the minutes: from the 21st AGM held September 13, 2012 at the Holiday Inn Harbourview in Dartmouth, NS.

Moved to accept by Kate Ahern, 2nd Paul Taljaard, carried.

President report: Prepared by Ray Gouchie, see Annual Report page 4

Moved to accept by Gordie Snook, 2nd Kevin Bennett, carried.

Financial report: Presented by Executive Director, Catherine Kersten. The report is still in draft form we are still waiting for the final copy from Sports Nova Scotia and Lyle Tilley Davidson Accounting to close off year-end. When it is completed it will be on our web site and an e-mail will be sent out to the Board members. A few errors were noticed in the draft balance sheet under computer equipment should read \$1150.35. AED program should show \$44.00. The review done by Revenue Canada is finished and everything is in order.

There was no approval for the financial since it was in draft form.

Regional and Corporate Director report: no report given. An overview of the role that the Regional Directors play was given, see Annual Report page 7

Executive Director Report: presented by Catherine Kersten see annual report page 7.

Moved to accept Kate Ahern, 2nd by Jennie Greencorn, carried.

Nova Scotia Health and Wellness: Aaron Nutting was the Official Representative from the NS Dept. of Health and Wellness. Aaron stated that the Dept of Health and Wellness supports and acknowledges the work that the Association does. Mr. Nutting reported that the Dept. is pleased with the new changes to the AED program. The program still covers 1/3 of the costs of an AED unit up to a max of \$1500. New to the program is the funding available to purchase replacement batteries for units already purchased through the grant program.

The helmet program is still being supported and will now cover adult size helmets in an effort to help the underprivileged and the senior population to be more active.

The Recreation Facility Development fund is still available each year to facilities. Aaron suggested that facilities should contact their local government Health and Wellness rep for assistance with the application process and reminded everyone if they are thinking about funding for a project they should act early in the spring as they are in the final stage for funding approval. Action from the TRIVE program will be able to provide funding for free access to facilities for low income families. Work continues between the Dept. of Health and Wellness and Community Services to find a way to bring this to those families that need it the most. Carrie Fraser is working on the new pool guidelines and anticipates that it will be put out to facilities for feedback in the upcoming year.

Elections of Officers:

President: Luc Brisson nominated by MaryAnn Gauvin approved by Richard Devenney
No other nominations heard; nomination carried, all in favour

Vice-President: MaryAnn Gauvin nominated by Kate Ahern approved by Ray Gouchie
No other nominations heard; nomination carried, all in favour

Secretary: Josette Marchand nominated by Gordie Snook approved by Jim Lambert
No other nominations heard; nomination carried, all in favour

Cape Breton: Charlie Bowne nominated by Ray Gouchie approved by Kate Ahern
No other nominations heard; nomination carried, all in favour

Highland: Jennie Greencorn nominated by Paul Taljaard approved by Kate Ahern
No other nominations heard; nomination carried, all in favour

Fundy: Shannon Jarvis nominated by Joel Dawe approved by Gordie Snook
No other nominations heard; nomination carried, all in favour

Past President: Due to health reasons Ray Gouchie declined the position of Past President. As a result the floor was open to nominations for all Past Presidents willing to fulfill this role.
Bob Quigley nominated by Richard Devenney approved by Carl Bigelow
No other nominations heard; nomination carried, all in favour

Corporate: Motion by Rod Dickson that the AGM participants will vote for the corporate representative 2nd by Kathie Wheadon-Hore motion carried, all in favour

Paul Taljaard nominated by Richard Devenney, 2nd by Aileen Nauss

Derek Hawes nominated by Jim Lambert, 2nd Shannon Jarvis

Vote ballots were distributed by the Executive Director. Carrie Fraser and Aaron Nutting as impartial attendees counted the ballots and disposed of them after the count.

Results for Corporate Representative, Paul Taljaard.

Closing remarks: It is suggested that at the Board of Directors planning session in September that we look at how to increase membership and look at doing a survey to see what the needs are from our community.

Adjournment: Joel Dawe