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Board of Directors

Regular Meeting Minutes

Date: Nov. 14, 2023
Time: 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm
Location: Zoom

MEETING TYPE:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Regular	<input type="radio"/> Special
MINUTES TYPE:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Proposed	<input type="radio"/> Approved

I. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

II. Roll Call

Board Member Attendance:

Kathie Macnab	KM	President	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Present	<input type="radio"/> Absent
Shelley Burns	SB	Vice-President	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Present	<input type="radio"/> Absent
Catherine Kinsella	CK	Secretary	<input type="radio"/> Present	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Absent
Cathy Walsh	CW	Treasurer	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Present	<input type="radio"/> Absent
Freddie Mykytyshyn	FM	Director	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Present	<input type="radio"/> Absent
Howard Huynh	HH	Director	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Present	<input type="radio"/> Absent
Nicholas Gartaganis	NG	Director	<input type="radio"/> Present	<input type="radio"/> Absent
Stephen Laufer	SL	Director	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Present	<input type="radio"/> Absent

Other Attendees:

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III. Junior Report Review

The final report written by A. Stark with contributions from S. Laufer and C. Walsh was circulated prior to the meeting. The approved report will be sent to J. Glasson (ACBL) and J. Steinberg (D2 ACBL Director) by A. Stark asap. This report will be presented and discussed at the ACBL Board meeting during the Atlanta NABC in November 2023.

Motion 23-20: S. Laufer Junior Board Report has been reviewed and accepted as presented.

Second: S. Burns

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 **Carried (N. Gartaganis was absent)**

Transnationals are held in even years. Teams do not need to qualify in their home country to compete and teams may compose representation from multiple countries. We have not sent teams to these events in the past. In order to maintain and continue to develop the Junior program in Canada the Junior Committee proposes that we send one six-person team to the Transnationals. The process to choose the team will be left to the Jr. Chairperson A. Stark.

There was acknowledgment that we may need to send only two teams to the Juniors in 2025.

Motion 23-21: S. Laufer Send one six-person team to the Transnational Competition

Second: K. Macnab

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 **Carried (N. Gartaganis was absent)**

IV. WBF – Open Team Captain Report

The Open team report from K. Thorpe was circulated prior to the meeting. The report was reviewed and accepted as submitted. The Board has accepted the report and has therefore authorized the release of the \$1000 CBF subsidy to the NPC K. Thorpe.

Motion 23-22 F. Mykytyshyn To accept the Open Team Captain Report as submitted.

Second: K. Macnab

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 **(N. Gartaganis was absent)**

V. Letter/Agreement with D19 (Penticton) for Canadian Championships

There have been many informal discussions between the Penticton Regional Team and the CBF over the past few months. The intent of the proposed letter (circulated prior to the meeting) is to outline the agreement between the two parties with respect to the venue, directors, advertising, and hospitality etc.

Although the CBF Board sees the value in formalizing the agreements made there is concern that some of the wording regarding expence sharing is a little vague and open-ended. The Board has

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asked S. Burns, C. Walsh, and C. Kinsella to work with the D19 representative to quantify the maximum exposure in the areas where the expences are to be shared. The CBF recognizes that they will be responsible for all direct expences incurred to run the Canadian Championship events. Once the amendments have been made, approved, and signed by K. Macnab, the letter will be sent to the District 19 President Karen Rise.

F. Mykytyshyn left the meeting at 7:30 pm est.

VI. 2023 / 2024 Budget

C. Walsh presented her variances to the original 2023 Budget reflecting an additional loss of \$20,000 raising the overall loss for 2023 to \$85,000. Needless to say, the CBF is in a dire financial position. The current accounting structure has three main accounts: General, International and Junior. The practice in the past has been to have all the administration costs come out of the General Fund. The General account is funded solely by membership payments. C. Walsh has proposed that we reallocate funds from the Junior (funded by the ACBL) and International Accounts to the General Fund to cover administrative costs relating to the two groups. The fees would vary depending upon the type of year (Transnational vs Country Qualifying) as the workload varies depending upon whether we send teams to the event. The proposal also would extend back 10 years and be the practice going forward. The board has approved the proposal in principle but has asked that C. Walsh review the reallocation with our auditor G. Westfall and with the USBF(to see how they handle the administration) prior to restating our financials.

The 2024 Budget will be presented and discussed at the December 18 board meeting.

VIII. On-going Business Requiring Follow-up.

We have received one applicant for the Zone 3 position. (Terry Du) We will need to have the Unit/District put forward his application for the CBF position. Target: Dec. 18

N. Gartaganis has resigned from the CBF board due to personal reasons. The CBF will look for a replacement for the Zone 5 position.

Next Meeting: Monday December 18 at 7:30 EST

X. Adjournment

Motion 23-19: K. Macnab Carried