



**CANADIAN BRIDGE FEDERATION INCORPORATED
LA FÉDÉRATION CANADIENNE INCORPORÉE DE BRIDGE**

99 Ellis Ave., Nobleton, ON L0G 1N0
Phone: (416) 706-8550 E-mail: canbridge@rogers.com



**Annual General Membership Meeting
By Video Conference
Saturday, November 1, 2020 1pm Eastern**

Minutes

Attendees:

Zone I

Kathie Macnab – Unit 194 CBF Director

Zone II

Louise Mascolo – Unit 151

Pamela Nisbet – Unit 192

Zone III

Ina Demme – Unit 246 CBF Executive Assistant

David Ellis – Unit 166

Zone IV

Neil Kimelman – Unit 181 -CBF President

Roland Laframboise – Unit 228

Zone V

Cathy Walsh – Unit 575 CBF Treasurer

Jerry Mamer – Unit 575 CBF Director

Nicholas Gartaganis – Unit 390

Judith Gartaganis – Unit 390

Gordon Campbell – Unit 390

Doug Rankin – Unit 573

Zone VI

Angela Fenton – Unit 430 CBF Director

Julie Smith – Unit 430

Shelley Burns – Unit 430

Eugene Chan – Unit 430

Dan Jacob – Unit 430

1. CALL TO ORDER

Neil Kimelman, CBF President and Zone IV Director, confirmed that a quorum of at least 7 members from at least 3 zones were in attendance and called the meeting to order at 1:03pm Eastern.

2. MINUTES OF THE LAST AGM

MOTION AGM20-01: That the minutes of the May 5, 2019 AGM held in Vancouver, BC be adopted.

Moved by Cathy Walsh

Seconded by Judith Gartaganis

CARRIED

No business arising from the minutes was discussed.

3. CONFIRMATION OF ZONE DIRECTORS

Ina Demme reported the following election results for 2019.

- **Hugues Boisvert** was elected as Zone II Director in a Special election for the Term of February 5, 2019- December 31, 2022 (election was confirmed at 2019 AGM)
- **Jerry Mamer** was elected by acclamation as Zone V Director for the Term of January 1, 2020 - December 31, 2022
- **Upcoming/Currect elections – Zone III no candidate, Zone VI election ongoing**

MOTION AGM20-02: To confirm election of Jerry Mamer as Zone V Director for the term of January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2022.

Moved by Angela Walsh

Seconded by Kathie Macnab

CARRIED.

4. 2018 Audited Financial Statements – The audited statements were distributed and Cathy Walsh reviewed Highlights:

- Deferred revenue is deferred membership funds
- Juniors are on a 3 year cycle, we received donation in 2019
- CBF has a CERB loan of 40,000 or which \$30,000 will be repaid in Dec 2022
- Because of COVID, we have not had revenue from clubs for COPC and CNTC qualifiers.
- International fund is under funded
- Note in statements to reflect effects of COVID

MOTION AGM 20-03:That subsequent years' Financial Statements should be presented within 6 months of year end, or earlier if possible.

Moved by Gordon Campbell

Seconded Cathy Walsh

CARRIED

MOTION AGM 20-04: To accept the Financial Statements as distributed.

Moved by Shelley Burns

Seconded by Neil Kimelman

CARRIED

5. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

MOTION AGM20-05: That Gary Westfall of Brampton, ON, be appointed CBF Auditor for the next fiscal year.

Moved by Cathy Walsh
Seconded by Jerry Mamer
CARRIED

6. HIGHLIGHTS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING May 1,8,15 &23 2020

- Review of 2019/2020
 - Membership declining due to aging population
 - Many long serving Board members will be leaving in the next couple of years, Nader has left, Neil Kimelman and Jerry Mamer will be leaving at the end of their terms (Dec 2020 and 2021 respectively) The CBF needs volunteers ad people willing to serve on the Board.
 - We have hired a Community Manager, Matthieu Dallaire who will work on improving communications and social media presence. Through Local Ambassador program we will share information across Canada.
 - In 2020 we had challenges with COVID, the CBC in St. Catharines was cancelled and we went through 3 rounds of registration until the final format was decided on.
 - 2021 CBC will be held online February through May. We plan on holding CNTC B and C events as well.
 - Once we work out the details of holding online events, we will hold the COPC online, hopefully in January.
 - Disciplinary Policy is being worked on to be more complete and describe procedures in detail.
 - Thank you to all the volunteers who have assisted the CBF this year. In particular Danny Miles for investigating and setting up vugraph of CBC on Twitch and Judy Gartaganis who scanned and enhanced the digital copies of all past Bridge Canadas so they would be available online.

OTHER BUSINESS

Comments from Membership

- Perhaps sponsorships could be investigated to help the International Fund
- Prices for Online CBC could be raised
- Current voting procedures for the Board were discussed. Current procedure is that Unit Boards vote for CBF Board Candidates. Many felt that the current procedure is acceptable and that if Boards need more information, they can get input and that they have insight into what is needed in a candidate.

6. ADJOURNMENT -

MOTION AGM20-06: That the meeting be adjourned at 2:10pm eastern.

Moved by Dan Jacob.

CARRIED