



Pickleball Manitoba

PICKLEBALL MANITOBA INC. (PMI)

MINUTES OF THE 2023 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

April 18, 2024

Virtual Meeting via Zoom with Regular and interim Board members present: Rose Sawatzky (RS), Ted Fardoe (TF), David King (DK), Don Flatt (DF), Katrina Hotel (KH), Denny Quigley (DQ) - Resigned Jackie Jacobsen (JJ)

Members: Dan Hotel, Paul Aquin, Brad Chase, Kevin Harrison, Doug & Cathy Cable, Damien Rondeau, Sue Davidson, Greg Blanchard, Sandra Webber, Arnie Waddell, Mary Beth Shields, Kelly Taylor, Kim Ezzard,

1. Rose Sawatzky (RS), President, called the meeting to order at 7:38 PM. Thank you for attending and being interested in the affairs of your provincial entity. It is truly appreciated. Gave housekeeping rules...

2. RS determined a quorum was present with 16 members, pursuant to bylaws of PMI a quorum for the transactions of business at AGM , 16 are required.

3. Damien Rondeau was appointed as a scrutineer

4. RS asked for approval of agenda. Doug Cable moved to accept agenda, Ted Fardoe seconded. Approved as circulated.

5. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest - None

6. Jackie Jacobsen moved to accept minutes of last year's meeting held on Mar 15th, 2023. Mary-Beth Shields seconded. Carried.

REPORTS

President Report - RS - On behalf of Pickleball Manitoba board, want to acknowledge and thank Jackie Jacobsen , for the contribution she has made for the past number of years as a director.

Together, we have achieved remarkable milestones and strengthened our community in numerous ways. Prioritized Communication Enhancement: Communication through newsletters, FB, social media. Expansion of Affiliated Clubs: Expanded club affiliated, with a total of 11 clubs affiliated. Educational Initiatives: Education has been a cornerstone of our mission. We have diligently provided clinics catering to all age groups, with a particular focus on youth development and Teach the Teachers Training Program. Additionally, the implementation of the NCCP certification program has empowered our coaches with the necessary skills and knowledge to nurture talent effectively. Referee Program: Recognizing the importance of fair play and officiating standards, we've invested in developing a robust referee program with Paul Aquin – Head Referee Official for Manitoba. By training and building a network of qualified referees, we've ensured the integrity and quality of our sanctioned tournaments. Sanctioned Tournaments: Organizing sanctioned tournaments has been instrumental in fostering a competitive spirit and promoting camaraderie among our members. These events not only showcase talent but also serve as platforms for personal and collective growth. I would also like to thank Jackie Jacobsen, Katrina Hotel and David King, for the many years of contributions to the board. Thank you.

Vice President - TF - Thank you to the parting board members. Have a LTSP to launch to the members and will continue to build on that. Would like to work on Sport MB recognized sport, as well as youth development, coaching development, referee development, & facility development. First provincial tournament this past summer and the 2nd edition is on its way.

7. Bylaw Update - Proposal

ARTICLE 5 - OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Executive Committee

EXISTING Bylaw:

5.4 - Vacancy - Where the position of an Officer becomes vacant, for whatever reason, the position will remain vacant until a vote at the next Annual General Meeting.

PROPOSED Bylaw:

5.4 - Vacancy - Where the position of an Officer becomes vacant, for whatever reason, the board may appoint a Director-at-large to that position until a vote can be held, at the next Annual General Meeting

Motion - Doug Cable moved that we so replace Bylaw 5.4. Kevin Harrison Seconded. Carried.

8. Financial Statement - DK - Income for membership \$9845.00. Tournament generated \$9000. 2022 Clinics \$1000 were held at Dakota, finally were paid in 2023. Received \$1000 grant in 2022, where we received \$2500, we had to match expenses. We received the final portion of the grant, after running the clinics and buying equipment. ZOOM \$224 arranged by Rose. Clinics \$3340, there were 300 folks going through clinics. \$20K is in a high-interest GIC. Banks Service Charges \$60. Jan bank balance \$20,470.93, ending balance \$34,983.25. Ted Fardoe asked about getting a Financial Review done and maybe can be considered next year.

Discussion on the pros and cons of having a financial audit engagement, as the organization's membership needs to vote on whether they would like a audit engagement. Doug Cable asserted that we are on-side with the Not for Profit Corporations Act, by making public to the members, the financial records. This decision is not made by the board.

Motion – Doug Cable – moved that PMI not appoint a public accountant to review or audit the books of PMI Corporation, for the fiscal year presented at the 2023 AGM, on Mar 15, 2024. Katrina Hotel seconded the motion. The motion was not unanimous, but 81% voted for not appointing a review. Unresolved - As understanding could not be of the 182. (1) Members of a designated corporation may resolve not to appoint a public accountant, but the resolution is not valid unless all the members entitled to vote at an annual meeting of members consent to the resolution. Marginal note: Validity of resolution.

Further discussion ensued on how the vote is deemed as carried, and if the entire membership has to vote regardless of attendance. As a way of moving past this unresolved motion, it was recommended that we move forward with this, get an interpretation for next year's AGM and vote at that time. Mary-Beth asked that quotes for cost of review would be available at next AGM

9. Regional Referee Training Coordinator - Paul Aquin - Been a battle to get folks active in the refereeing roles. Have held 3 Referee zoom training sessions. Only aware of half a dozen who have gone a little bit further towards accreditation. He proposed that he would be available twice a week at Dakota, for a limited time, to mentor - contact Paul at rtccenregion@gmail.com. He emphasized that we have a real need to get referees into the game here in Manitoba.

10. Election of directors - Existing directors as seeking nominations to new roles are TF as President, SD as Vice-Pres, DF as Treasurer. New directors seeking to be added to the board are Kim Ezzard for Social Media/Communications, Kelly Taylor and Arnie Waddell as Directors at Large. All were accepted by the members present at the AGM.

Congratulations

11. Adjourned at 9:23, by Damien Rondeau

Meeting minutes drafted by: K Hotel

To be Approved 2025