

## **SquashPEI 2019 AGM**

March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019

SportPEI, Charlottetown

### **In Attendance:**

Andrew Avery  
Lester Jinks  
Jo Spencer  
Susie Fraser  
Brian Ashby  
Chris McIntyre  
Ken Sampson  
BJ McLean  
Thomas Walker

### **Minutes**

#### **Meeting Called to Order at 6:30pm by Lester Jinks**

##### **1. Approval of the Agenda for the 2019 AGM**

- Moved to adopt by Lester Jinks, Brian Ashby seconds. All approved.

##### **2. Roll Call and Verification of Voting Delegates**

- Zach Stephens sends his apologies that he cannot be in attendance

##### **3. Approval of the 2018 AGM Minutes**

- Brian Ashby reads previous minutes
- Ken Sampson moves to adopt, Brian Ashby seconds. All approved.

##### **4. President's Report: Lester Jinks**

- Lester confirms that we have all received his copy of the president's report
- Lester summarizes his report
- Lester thanks everyone, Jo Spencer in particular, for their energy and enthusiasm
- Thanks to the executive
  - Susie for being organized and helping with the PSA
  - Chris for being the new treasurer
  - Ken for help with Club Locker and all the issues that have cropped up. People always are satisfied with the end result
  - Brian for being secretary
  - Thomas for his help and opinions on the executive
- The executive thanks Lester for his dedication and enthusiasm for Squash on PEI
- Andrew Avery moves to adopt, Brian Ashby seconds. All approved.

##### **5. Treasurer's Report: Chris McIntyre**

- In part because of the change of system to Club Locker, we have had a more profitable year compared to previous years, and also in particular due to the SERF fund which we received right away
- Losses for the PSA tournament was made up by the SERF fund

- Bank account has grown, and we were able to put \$1,700 towards the Canada Games.
- Question asked: what is the operating grant from the province? \$9,600 split between Performance and Core
- SportPEI has been very supportive, thanks to them
- It is important to maintain the relationship with the government, must keep on top of what the government requires from SquashPEI
- Need to draw up a specific budget for the \$9,600 by May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019
- Executive thanks Chris for his work
- Ken Sampson moves to adopt, Andrew Avery seconds. All approved.

#### **6. Notices of Motions: Lester Jinks**

- The President's Report and Treasurer's Report has been accepted and approved.

#### **7. Amendments to the Bylaws**

- Squash Canada put forward some policies that we adopted at the pre-AGM meeting that we are now putting forward to be officially adopted by SquashPEI
- There are 8 policies in general
  - Code of Conduct
  - Discipline and Complaints
  - Event Discipline Procedure
  - Appeal policy
  - Event Appeal Policy
  - Alternate Dispute Resolution
  - Conflict of Interest Policy
  - Discipline Reciprocation Policy
- Ken: We need to figure out which ones should be put on Club Locker as part of the agreement users must agree to, and point to all other policies on the website
- Adoption of Pan-Canadian policies for integrated governance.
- There's pressure from our insurance providers that we need to have these policies in place, regarding: vetting of volunteers (criminal record check) [provincial, federal, vulnerable sector – which do we require? How often?]
- SquashPEI needs to store those documents physically somewhere. Does SportPEI have that?
- Lester puts forward motion to have Pan-Canadian policies officially accepted, Brian Ashby seconds. 7 for, 2 against. Motion passes.
- Ken Sampson motions to have SquashPEI's fiscal period end match that of Sport PEI, the 31<sup>st</sup> of March each year, Chris McIntyre seconds. All approved.

#### **8. Election of Directors**

- President:
  - Jo Spencer has graciously agreed to be the next president
  - No other nominations, all agree, motion passes.
- Vice-President Male:
  - Lester Jinks nominates Andrew Avery
  - No other nominations, all agree, motion passes.
- Vice-President Female:
  - At-large until someone is found to be nominated

- Secretary:
  - Brian Ashby agrees to be nominated
  - No other nominations, all agree, motion passes.
- Tournament Director:
  - Ken Sampson agrees to be nominated
  - No other nominations, all agree, motion passes.
- Board Member:
  - Jean-Francois Vincent Rocan (who is not present) agrees to be nominated
  - All agree, motion passes.
- Board Member:
  - Susie Fraser agrees to be nominated
  - All agree, motion passes.
- Board Member:
  - Zach Stephens (who is not present) agrees to be nominated
  - All agree, motion passes.
- Thomas Walker is to resign from the board.
- Sub-Committees:
  - All agree sub-committees are important. BJ McLean has agreed to be on the recruitment sub-committee.

**9. New Business:** Lester Jinks

- Club Locker: Ken Sampson
  - Has potential, but still issues
  - SportyHQ had solved some issues that Club Locker still cannot do
  - Ken suggests a more formal request for features: email other users, automatic scheduler for tournaments
  - We should be encouraging everyone to sign up early in the season, should the first tournament be free if you get your membership? To discuss at later date.
  - In particular, incorporate the players from the West early in the season
  - Lester asks if there is a unified way to ensure a player has a membership in at least one of the three provinces? Ken: it was promised, but not yet.
- Squash Canada Junior Person
  - Squash Canada wants a Junior High-Performance person in the Atlantic area
  - Lester would put forward some names
- PanAm Games
  - Junior games in the summer
  - Nationals pushed back to May instead of April
- Squash Canada Clothing
  - Must be culturally sensitive
  - Squash Alberta will send us a policy to consider, will put on meeting agenda after it comes
- Squash NL
  - NL has inclusivity program to get more diversity
  - Lester: Eric Heart has been doing good work
- PSA Event

- Weekend after Nash Cup (September 22nd-ish)?
- Agreed to women's and Men's
- Minimum prize is 6000USD each not 5500USD
- Jo/Chris may not be around during that tournament FYI
- Summer meeting to decide if we're going to have our tournament at the same time as that
- Need to figure out how to allow people to watch the PSA and not conflict with their own matches
- Ken: still problems with the timing due to it being summer
- Susie: want to use the tournament as qualifier for worlds as well as proximity to Nash tournament
- Female pros are open to running clinics
- Ken: UPEI courts -> what can we do about the maintenance to avoid the situation like last year?
- Insurance
  - Andrew Avery will ask some relevant questions when he meets with SportPEI
- Juniors and Recruitment
  - Lester asks BJ: What can be done to make life easier?
  - More publicity before next season
  - Try publicity at other sporting events, e.g. badminton
  - Lester suggests a coaching package to get them engaged
- Miscellaneous
  - Chris Mills will be the referee for 2023
  - He will be able to give officiating clinics, doing well because we had access to the PSA event, allowed the broadening of qualifications
  - Ken's personal information is still somewhere in the SportyHQ system. Would like to get rid of it.

**10. Adjournment:** 7:50pm