



CSAF Annual General Meeting (AGM) 2019 22 Nov 2020

Name and Electoral Constituency	Position	Initials	Attendance
Russell Campbell, Athlete West Representative	Director	RC	Present
Matthew Doherty, Athlete East Representative	Director	MD	Present
Celine Freeman-Gibb, Athlete Central Representative	President	CFG	Present
Danny Frame, Athlete East Representative	Director	DF	Present
Elizabeth MacDonald, Women's Representative	Secretary	EM	Present
Kyle E. MacDonald, Supporter at Large	Treasurer	KM	Present
Bryan MacLean, Athlete Lightweight Representative	Director	BM	Present
Kevin Robinson, Master's Representative	Director	KR	Absent
Christoph Wand, Retired Athlete Representative	International Rep, Past Treasurer	CW	Present
Justin Wishart, Athlete West Representative	Director	JW	Present
Rob Young, Open Representative	Vice president, Past President	RY	Present
Vacant, Athlete Central Representative	Director	N/A	N/A

Note. N/A, not applicable.

Attendees present for AGM:

- Milton King (**MK**)
- Kaitlyn Clark (**KC**)
- Ray Siochowicz (**RS**)
- RJ Forbes (**RJF**)
- Susie Lajoie (**SL**)
- Erinn Quinn (**EQ**)
- Doug J. Murphy (**DJM**)

Prior to starting the meeting there was mention for adding an option for reaching out to people who may not access to Facebook. Facebook has been the primary means of communicating events and promoting heavy events discussion. Not all members of the heavy events community use Facebook which may be limiting communication.

Meeting called to order: 8:09 PM, AST

- Motion to adopt the meeting agenda:
 - Motioned by **JW**
 - Second by **KM**
 - motion carried



Introduction of acclaimed candidates: **CW**

- Half the board is rotated once every two years, for two-year terms.
- Nominations were received until November 8th.
- All positions this year are summarized below:
 - Athlete West Representative: Russell Campbell (acclaimed)
 - Athlete East Representative: Kaitlyn Clark (acclaimed)
 - Athlete Central Representative (one-year term, odd year): Jason Baines (acclaimed)
 - Athlete Central Representative: Celine Freeman-Gibb (acclaimed)
 - Master's Athlete Representative: vacant - Board to decide
 - Women's Athlete Representative: Elizabeth MacDonald (acclaimed)
 - Retired Athlete Representative: vacant - Board to decide
- Board members Returning for 2nd year of two-year term (remainder of Board):
 - Danny Frame, Athlete East Representative
 - Kyle E. MacDonald, Supporter at Large
 - Bryan MacLean, Athlete Lightweight Representative
 - Justin Wishart, Athlete West Representative
 - Rob Young, Open Representative

Presidents address: **CFG**

- The world is a new position, there are many difficulties we are facing. Social media has been helping us stay connected. As far as the summer goes, we do not know what is going to happen. If games can take place, great. Otherwise, we are going to have to find alternative options. Take care, be safe, and practice good hygiene.

Treasurer's Report:

KM shared the treasurer's report.

- *CIBC account:*
 - opening balance on Nov 1, 2020: \$5,563.20
 - Withdraw: \$ 0
 - Deposits: \$ 0
 - Closing balance: \$5,563.20
- *Loney and Associates:* George Loney provides support for the CSAF website and hosting fees:
 - Website hosting and support, re: CSAF: \$400.00
 - Renew canadianscottishathleticsfederation.org: \$19.95
 - Renew canadianscottishathleticsfederation.ca: \$18.95
 - Invoice number: 2020-0395
- **KM** prepared and summarized treasurer report:
 - Last verified balance: \$6,059.16
 - 2020 revenue: \$0
 - 2020 expenses: \$495.96 (website fees, see above).



- Projected cash position: \$5,563.20
- Verified cash position (as of 12 Nov 2020): \$5,562.20
- Accounts payable:
 - 2019 incorporation fees owed to **CW** \$20.00
 - 2020 incorporation fees owed to **KM** \$20.00 (check prepared, not yet cashed)

Debate on Motions:

- Motion to move the AGM to discussion and debate of motions posted online:
 - Motioned by **BM**
 - Second by **KC**
 - motion carried
- *note*: motions cannot be amended on the floor and they are not binding to the board.

Motion #1: CSAF should initiate a committee to set up requirements for athletes within their own provincial limitations of gatherings of groups of people to make small competitions possible. *Provided motion #1 passes, motion #2 contains additional suggestions to support motion #1.*

- Open Discussion:
 - **MD** – Not likely to have gatherings in any province but may be able to have small competitions. But depending on the COVID-19 situation there may not be any competitions due to heavy restrictions.
 - **EQ** – I hope we have an Atlantic bubble.
 - **RY** – We will have to deal with restrictions anyways, CSAF should relax the rules from what constitutes a game. This may allow entries and results and entries into the database and encourage competition.
 - **MD** – Exactly, if we do not compete over the next 2–3 years, there is a risk of the sport dying. One weekend could be allocated to host the games - can defer if needed but host the games for one occasion. i.e. the Antigonish games would only run once during the 2021 season. There would not be Antigonish games #1, #2, #3, etc. We may need to adopt a track and field “twilight meet” atmosphere but with a validation process or guideline to help guide athletic directors.
- Motioned by **MD**
- Second by **KC**
- motion carried, vote from all AGM attendees:
 - vote: unanimous vote for, motion passed

Motion #2: Rankings for the year thrown in 2021 would be valid for consideration of 2022 championships. Records would be ratified under strict conditions, set forth by the committee.

- Open Discussion:



- **MD** – This may have to be based on the honour system to keep the sport alive. Make sure the guidelines are clear for the ***COVID*** pandemic conditions. Possibly a COVID record or other record.
- **RY** – May not want to put it forward for this be a championship, we don't want to pressure people to compete. Want to encourage people to compete. Just giving athletes another, good incentive to compete. Want to keep the support alive without pressure to compete. Not everyone would be comfortable competing. Ranking may not be the only consideration to determine invites for a championship.
- **KM** – Agreed with **MD**, invites may be at the discretion with the host for nationals.
- Motioned by **MD**
- Second by **KM**
- motion carried, vote from all AGM attendees:
 - vote: majority vote for, motion passed.

Motion #3: To table any considerations for any national championships until status the COVID-19 pandemic permits bids for consideration.

- Open Discussion:
 - **MD** – Will be based on when we stop talking about COVID.
 - **BM** – Talked about hosting women's championship but only if it would not be hampered by COVID/ travel restrictions. Ideally for a championship we would need coast-to-coast participation without pandemic restrictions.
 - **RJF** – Powerlifting had the same dilemma. In this sports instance the date for nationals was adjust and will continue to be pushed until it is feasible to host a championship.
 - **KW** – Was against the motion but wanted to see a motion from MD squashed.
- Motioned by **MD**
- Second by **CW**
- motion carried, vote from all AGM attendees:
 - vote: majority vote against, motion declined.

Q&A's of 2020 Board and Discussion (All) general discussion:

- **BM** – Was interested in hosting a few world championships in Moncton, currently looking at 2022 for a world master's championship.
- **MD** – No discussion on the status of the Antigonish games
- **CW** – Fergus games, currently set to host the 2021 world open championship. Had a discussion on what may happen moving forward and what will happen if the games are cancelled again.

CFG to adjourn the meeting.

- Motioned by **MD**



- Second by **JW**
- motion carried

Next CSAF board meeting: TBD