

## **BCSSGA AGM**

**Mar 9, 2018**

Burnaby, BC

In attendance: Adrian Wong, Terry Mitruk, Kelsey Mason, Kat Van Balkom, Lucinda Donaldson, Adriana Schemel, Krystyne Markortoff-Jones, Alex Yang, Chris Sheremeta, Michele Dillon, Tessa Jansen, Jasmine McLean, Jenn Watts, Carol Garcia, Peter Dougan, Pam Mutsaerts, Emily Bonner, Wade Tarnasky, Hilary Gros, Ken Holley, Paulo Pena, Li Jing Sheaves

Adoption of Agenda:

Moved: George                      Seconded: Chris  
Carried

Approval of Minutes from the 2017 AGM:

Moved: Chris                      Seconded: Emily  
Carried

Treasurer's Report: Kelsey

Last year ended up with approximately \$7000

- Due to large costs of PG meet.
- Expenses
  - Equipment (\$15,000)
  - Judges (\$5000)
- charged higher registration fees last year to offset the cost

This year

- Registration about \$18,000
  - Donations of about \$1000 from PAC
  - potential donation from City of Burnaby
- total loss of approximately (\$1,500)
- Net worth about \$3500

Boys Tech: Chris Sheremeta

- Not much to report, since the boys have yet to compete.
- question about the code for levels 4 & 5 regards to which skills could be used for Pathways vs High School
- Chris recommends using Pathways

Girls Tech: Alex Yang

- Alex has tried to make things easier for High School only coaches
- Club Vs. School

- Issues with JO vs. High School levels
  - Not all coaches are submitting JO levels for athletes
  - Concerns about if an athlete moves up in High school, that it would affect their levels in JO.
  - This is not actually an issue, as the two systems are separate, and we only use the JO levels as a guideline for level placement in the high school system.
- discussion that we restrict level 1 to Supplementary and A skills only
  - George comments that from his experience, most kids leave the sport due to other interests or changes in social lives rather than finding competitions too intimidating.
  - One of the biggest factors is the difference in training time between high school athletes and club athletes
  - Ultimately, this really is no different than many other sports, where if you have more club kids on your sports team, then your team will likely do better than others who don't

#### President's Report

- 280 athletes this year
- The province is pushing to create a universal school calendar, that will make it easier to deal with scheduling.

#### Future Hosts:

- 2019: South Delta (Tsawassen)
- 2020: (North Van?)
- 2021: (Kamloops?)

#### Provincials Report

- Huge growth in level 3
  - 57 athletes
  - if all had shown up, would have been 76
- How can we make the competition run more efficiently and more quickly
  - Nicky sent some suggestions about how to speed up sessions
  - shorten warm up
  - multiple sets of bars, and beams - 1 for warm up, one to compete
  - suggestion to use tablets and screens for K-Score program
  - There is a server that can be rented from Kevin along with the program that would create a separate wireless connection for the program.
  - next year's hosts looking to implement some of these options
- Suggestion from Adrian to move the boys competition to another day
- suggestion to remove cross horse vault
  - Some schools only have access to a cross horse, and not enough mats to do flat back along with all other events during a practice

- Safety issue as well, due to not wanting to force an athlete to use table vault when they aren't ready for it.
- no changes for now

Motion: That the BCSSGA Constitution needs to be revised at the Spring Meeting.

Moved: Tom                      Seconded: Kristyne  
Carried

Motion: Amend the BCSSGA Constitution for one year, so that one block of Executive Positions stands for 2 years, others for 1 year. Each year thereafter, each position is held for two years

Moved: Tom                      Seconded: Pam  
Carried

Tabled until next AGM after revisions to Constitution to meet the new Societies Act are complete. Questions arose regarding the possibility that our current Constitution may contradict this.

Elections:

Commissioner: Adrian officially stepping down.

- Terry (acclaimed)

President: Adrian (acclaimed)

Treasurer: Kelsey will stand (acclaimed)

Secretary: Kat will stand (acclaimed)

Girls Tech: Alex will stand (acclaimed)

Boys Tech: Chris will stand (acclaimed)

Members At Large: (acclaimed)

Lucinda, Michele, Kristyne, Adriana

Other Business:

- School Vs. Club: Ken Holley

- if you do not have a teacher sponsor, you need a letter from school stating that the club coaches are legally bound to be responsible for athletes.
- this is a district requirement, rather than a school requirement.
- some districts don't require this, but some do.
- club coaches need to send out information to schools if they are running a high school program.
- Emily has a manual to create a high school program from the ground up; she can distribute it.
- data gathering: Ken has sent all registration data for the last few years
- girls is fine, boys not so much

- question in regards to an athlete being registered at club under given name, but registered at the school using a nickname, and whether this can create a problem with registration.

- School's do have the legal name on file, even if athlete is using a nickname. Request the

Executive enquire with BCSS regarding liability concerns or keeping this in mind when it appears athletes are not registered in STARS, when in fact they are registered under a different name

- Criteria for Moving Up

- suggestion to have minimum score
- comment from George that in reality, the system we use is actually quite self-equalizing
- after discussion, current criteria will stand.

Motion to Adjourn the Meeting:

Moved: George                      Seconded: Pam

Carried