



MANITOBA SOCCER ASSOCIATION RECORD OF MEETING



APPROVED BY THE MEMBERS

2021 VIRTUAL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

DATE: November 6, 2021

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

LOCATION: WINNIPEG, MANITOBA

The MSA President introduced himself and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Everyone was asked to pause for a moment of silence for those who participated in our game or were contributors to our sport across Manitoba and Canada who have left us in 2021 and to remember those on November 11th.

The guests in attendance, Auditor Adam Sus and Travis DeKoning from Booke & Partners, Janet McMahon from Sport Manitoba, Dr. Nick Bontis and Dave Nutt from Canada Soccer, and Dr. Pram Tappia, MSA Nominations Chair, were welcomed.

Life Member Lynda McLeish was welcomed.

The Board Members were introduced and thanked for their hard work. It was indicated that the Members had been very well served by the Board and its Committees and as such the President acknowledged their contribution to the Association.

The membership was reminded that there would be elections held and that A. Worthman and J. Brunel would not be seeking re-election to the Board.

The president thanked the members of the standing committees.

At this time, the MSA President welcomed Dr. Nick Bontis to bring greetings on behalf of Canada Soccer.

Dr. Bontis was complimentary of the MSA for its work during these unprecedented times due to COVID-19. He commended the MSA and its members on their work with the grassroots program. Dr. Bontis also mentioned that another investigation by a third-party private organization will be done on behalf of Canada Soccer in the current situation with national team players allegations. He provided a quick update on the success of the Men's national team.





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At this time, the MSA President welcomed Janet McMahon to bring greetings on behalf of Sport Manitoba.

J. McMahon was complimentary of the MSA and is inspired by how resilient Manitoba Soccer has been during COVID-19.

The MSA President called the meeting to order and announced that there was a quorum in accordance with Article 3.9 of the Association's By-Laws as there were 41 delegates in attendance.

The business procedures for the meeting were reviewed.

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Members were informed that there were no new business items submitted for the AGM.

Proposed Motion: 1

Moved by: Jean Jaure - MMSL
Seconded by: Derek Simpson - WYSA

To approve the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

II. PREVIOUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES – NOVEMBER 7, 2020

Proposed Motion: 2

Moved by: Raf Richichi - MMSL
Seconded by: Kathy Podgurny - WWSL

To approve the minutes from the November 7, 2020 Annual General Meeting as circulated.





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CARRIED

III. BUSINESS ARISING

There was no business arising.

IV. MSA PRIORITIES REPORT

It was indicated that all Members had received the reports 30 days before the AGM.

The impact that COVID-19 is having on the registration of players with the sport in our province was discussed, and it was reported that there is a similar impact across the country.

No questions of the report were brought up.

Proposed Motion: 3

Moved by: Jed Dodd - WMSL
Seconded by: Breena Murray - WRSA

To approve the report as presented.

CARRIED

V. DIRECTOR OF FINANCE and VI. AUDITOR REPORT

The Treasurer introduced himself and provided a report. He was complimentary of the MSA staff on their management of internal procedures and finances. He highlighted some important aspects of the finances, spoke about internal changes from an accounting standpoint, and touched on the impacts of COVID-19.

It was reported that despite the pandemic, MSA received the Sport Manitoba base grant and secures Sport Manitoba funding. It was noted there was a lot of impact on the operation and the budget, allowing the association to secure both the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy (CEWS) and Canada Emergency Business Account (CEBA).





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It was reported that the overall revenue and expenses this year have decreased, however, MSA has been able to maintain a healthy financial position.

It was reported that the qualified opinion is consistent with prior periods which is common with non-profit organizations.

It was reported that the audit was provided by Brooke & Partners and there were no issues.

No questions of the report were made.

Proposed Motion: 4

Moved by: Kathy Podgurny - WWSL
Seconded by: Martino Vergata - WYSA

To approve the report as presented.

CARRIED

VII. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

The Treasurer recommended the appointment of the Auditors for next year.

Proposed Motion: 5

Moved by: Breena Murray - WRSA
Seconded by: Lynda McLeish - WWSL

To approve the appointment of Booke & Partners as the Auditors for the Manitoba Soccer Association for the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

CARRIED





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VIII. AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS

The Chair of the Governance Committee made a short presentation on the changes and stated that this was an ongoing process and there will always be situations that arise. The Chair thanked the committee members for all their hard work.

There were no amendments proposed by the membership, however, the committee reviewed and proposed four amendments to the By-Laws.

Within the proposed amendments, it was explained that an amendment was made to Clarifying the ambiguity in the gender requirement in the MSA Director elections to avoid the discrepancies between article 4.1 and 4.11.3. It was proposed to add a new clause, 4.11.5, as well as proposed adding 4.11.6 to ensure a nine person board.

It was recommended to remove the redundant statement in article 4.1

There was a question relate to how the MSA By-Laws will address individuals who do not identify as male or female. It was reported that the Governance Committee has this on the agenda for the next review this year.

Proposed Motion: 6

Moved by: Lynda McLeish - WWSL
Seconded by: Kathy Podgurny - WWSL

To approve the new amended By-Laws.

CARRIED

IX. ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The President passed the chairing of this portion of the AGM to the Nominations Committee Chair.

It was stated that based on the MSA By-Laws three board positions were up for election, the president and two director positions.





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The Nominations Committee received one president nominee and two director nominees. However, one of the director nominees has had to withdraw due to personal reasons. The positions' terms are three-years.

The president nominee spoke to the delegates, followed by the director nominee.

The voting was carried out via a secured online voting platform observed by the auditor.

The membership elected the following nominees to the MSA Board of Directors:

John Baker (President) - 3 year term
Glenn Nanka (Director) - 3 year term

Proposed Motion: 7

Moved by: Maurice Torr- WRSA
Seconded by: Derek Simpson - WYSA

To approve destroying the election ballots.

CARRIED

Thanks was expressed to all nominees that allowed their name to stand for election.

It was explained that based on the By-Laws the board is tasked with recruiting and appointing a director to the open board position following the requirements of the By-Laws.

X. ADJOURNMENT

The MSA staff were thanked for their hard work over the year.

Prior to concluding the President extended his sincere appreciation to the membership for their contributions to the meeting and their hard work this year dealing with the pandemic and to aid with the growth of the grassroots program.





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There was a question regarding the registration process and if it can be streamlined to have one payment instead of multiple. It was reported that MSA is in the process with the Members of selecting a new online platform.

The meeting concluded at 11:35 a.m.

