



NLSA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MINUTES

April 4, 2020

Virtual

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1. Welcome

Meeting was called to order at 9:05 AM with welcome by Chairperson, Doug Redmond, and the introduction of Attending Delegates

Roll call was taken.

NLSA Board of Directors			
	NAME	POSITION	ATTENDANCE
1	Doug Redmond	President	Yes
2	Judi Kelloway	Vice President Youth	Yes
3	Jeff Tiller	Vice President Women	Yes
4	Damian Masterson	Vice president Men	Yes
5	Ron O'Neill	Secretary	Yes
6	Doug Kirby	Treasurer	Yes
7	Bernie Manning	Region Director – St. John's	Yes
8	John McCarthy	Region Director – Mount Pear	Yes
9	Ian Chaytor	Region Director – CBS	Yes
10	Brian Rice	Region Director – Avalon	Yes
11	Chris Bartlett	Region Director – TCP	Yes
12	Marc Pittman	Region Director – Burin	Yes
13	Terry Goulding	Region Director – Central	Yes
14	Renee Sherstobetoff	Region Director – Western	Yes
15	Ronnie Elson	Region Director – Lab East	Yes
16	Maggie	Region Director – Lab West	Yes
18	Dave Liverman	Directot of Officails	Yes
19	Dragon Mircovic	Techical Director	Yes
20	Mark Marshall	Techical Staff	Yes
21	Rob Comerford	Business Manager	Yes

	NAME	CLUB / ASSOCIATION	
1	Scott Betts	St. John's	9:23 am
2	Colleen McConnell	St. John's	
3	Tony Mullett		
4	Craig Dyer	Mount Pearl	
5	Doug Sweetapple	Corner Brook	
6	Darrin Bent	CBS	
7	Andrew Murphy	CBS	
8	Alex McNutt	Paradise	
9	Cameron Carpenter	FAA	
10	Candance Elliott	Lab West	
11	Rohan Reid		9:36 am

2. Agenda

- 2.1. Motion to approve Agenda
Moved by Chris Bartlett
Seconded by Jeff Tiller
Motion Passed

3. Appointment of Resolutions Officer

President asked for a volunteer, and Doug Sweetapple agreed to act as the Resolution Officer for the 2020 AGM.

4. Minutes of the Special General Meeting 2019

- 4.1. Errors / Omissions - none reported

Adopt Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of the 2019 SGM

Moved by John McCarthy

Seconded by Paul North

Motion Passed

Business Arising from the Minutes – None reported

5. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2019

- 5.1. Errors / Omissions – None Reported

Adopt Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of the 2017 AGM

Moved by John McCarthy

Seconded by Paul North

Motion Passed

Business Arising from the minutes – – None Reported

6. President Report

- 6.1. The president asked that the entire book of Reports be approved in block, with the exception of the Treasurer's Report.
Once the Treasurer's Report was discussed a motion was made to approve

MOTION

To approve the entire Book of Reports as provided to the Board, and listed on the NLSA website which will include items 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14.

Moved by Damian Masterson

Seconded by Jeff Tiller

Motion Passed

7. Vice-president Report – Youth Soccer

8. Vice – President Report – Men's Soccer

9. Vice – President Report – Women’s Soccer

10. Treasurer’s Report

The Treasurer reported that due to a few issues, among Covid-19, the Audited Report is not yet available. The auditors recommended that there be additional review as it is possible that there may be additional unclaimed HST rebates.

The bad news is that soccer in general may be facing a slow down, or possibly a shut down due to the Covid-19 pandemic, and this could cause the NLSA to experience \$100 000.00 loss.

There will be efforts to avail of the Federal Govt wage subsidies program to offset some of the financial loss. The Treasurer recommended that each club should explore this opportunity as well.

At this point the NLSA is in a very strong financial standing and has a 6 month reserve.

Darrin Bent asked if there was any communications between the NLSA and Canada Soccer about fee reductions in the coming season due to the COVID 19?

The President replied that he has a weekly meeting with Canada Soccer, and this is being discussed but no resolution at this time.

MOTION

Mover by Doug Kirby

Seconded by Joh McCarthy

That we approve the Auditors for the following fiscal year to be Winsor, Coombs, NMP

Motion Passed

11. Technical Committee Report

12. Referees Report

13. Business Manager’s Report

14. Regional Directors and Provincial Representatives’ reports

15. Amendments to the Rules and Regulation

No amendments were brought forward as they were approved at the NLSA Board Meeting of March 29, 2020

16. Amendments to the By-Laws / Constitution

- 16.1. The Executive Committee of the NLSA would like to make the following changes to the Constitution and By-Laws at he AGM in 2020.

MOTION

Moved by Ron

Seconded by Judi

Move that the following changes be made to the NLSA Constitution and By-Laws

Motion passed

Article 6.1 a) REMOVE - Appointments, appointed under clause 6.4 (To Be Removed)

Article 6.3 REMOVE - The Board shall have the authority to appoint a Technical Chairperson who shall sit on the Board as the representative of the Association's Technical Committee. (But do not have voting power) – To Be Removed)

ADD - The Board shall have the authority to appoint other directors as deemed beneficial to the running of the operations of The Association. The Term of Office for any appointee under this clause shall be until the following AGM.

Article 7.1 b) REMOVE - Affiliate Members being Clubs, and their membership, in good standing, where regional associations have not been officially established.

ADD - Affiliate Members being Clubs, and their membership, in good standing, where regional associations have not been officially established. Each Affiliated Member in good standing shall have a voice but no vote at all meetings of The Association.

Article 7.1 c) REMOVE - Associate Membership being Organizations operating within the boundaries of The Association including but not limited to affiliated leagues (indoor and outdoor), school, college and university leagues, and referees', coaches' and trainers' associations.

ADD - Associate Membership being Organizations operating within the boundaries of The Association including but not limited to affiliated leagues (indoor and outdoor), school, college and university leagues, and referees', coaches' and trainers' associations.

Each Associate Member in good standing shall have a voice but no vote at all meetings of The Association.

Article 8 REMOVE 8 REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS (November, 2013)

- 8.1 The Association will recognize the following regions as full voting Members at all Meetings of The Association and as being responsible for soccer programs and development in each of the following geographic areas.
 - 8.1.1 Avalon Region All areas of the Eastern Avalon Peninsula, commencing with the town of Paradise, but excluding the municipal boundaries of St. John's and Mount Pearl and including the town of Bay Bulls and the Southern Shore (November, 2013)
 - 8.1.9 Trinity Conception Placentia All areas of the Avalon Peninsula, including Placentia and area, Clarendville and the Bonavista Peninsula, but excluding the Avalon Region, the municipal boundaries of St. John's, Mount Pearl and CBS
 - 8.1.10 St. John's Region - All areas within the municipal boundaries of St. John's
 - 8.1.11 Western Region, Deer Lake and west extending from St. Anthony to Port aux Basques
- ADD - 8 REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS
- 8.1 The Association will recognize the following regions as full voting Members at all Meetings of The Association and as being responsible for soccer programs and development in each of the following geographic areas.
 - 8.1.1 **Avalon Region - All areas of the Eastern Avalon Peninsula, but excluding the municipal boundaries of St. John's, Mount Pearl, CBS, and Paradise and including the town of Bay Bulls and the Southern Shore.**
 - 8.1.8 **Paradise – All areas within the municipal boundaries of the Town of Paradise.**
 - 8.1.9 **Trinity Conception Placentia All areas of the Avalon Peninsula, including Placentia and area, Clarendville and the Bonavista Peninsula, but excluding the Avalon Region, the municipal boundaries of St. John's, Mount Pearl, CBS and Paradise.**
 - 8.1.10 St. John's Region - All areas within the municipal boundaries of St. John's

8.1.10 Western Region Deer Lake and west extending from St. Anthony to Port aux Basques

Article 10.2.4n) REMOVE - Amendments to the Rules and Regulations
ADD - Amendments to the Rules and Regulations (Rules and Regulation may be tabled for information purposes but can be changed by a majority vote at regular Board meetings.)

Article 13.1 REMOVE - Members of The Board, as defined in clause 6.1, with the exception of the Immediate Past President and such appointed Members as listed in clause 6.4 who are in good standing, (To Be removed) shall be entitled to one vote each at any meeting of The Association.

ADD - Members of The Board, as defined in clause 6.1, shall be entitled to one vote each at any meeting of The Association.

Article 13.3 REMOVE - Regional Associations in good standing shall be entitled to vote at a General Meeting of the Association. Regional votes shall be given by the Regional Director or his/her designate.

ADD - Regional Associations in good standing shall be entitles to vote at a General Meeting of the Association.

13.3.1 Regional votes shall be given by the Regional Director or his/her Alternate.

13.3.2 Alternate Directors must be approved by the Board 30 days prior to the AGM.

Article 13.4 REMOVE – Affiliate Clubs in good standing shall be entitled to a vote at any General meeting of the Association.

ADD - Affiliate Clubs in good standing shall not be entitled to a vote at any General meeting of the Association.

Article 13.9 REMOVE – Each Associate Member in good standing shall have a voice but no vote at any General Meeting of the Association.

ADD - Each Associate Member in good standing shall not be entitled to a vote at any General meeting of the Association.

Article 13.11 Remove – No member can cast a vote by proxy

ADD – Members in good standing, who attend the meeting, either in person, or through an electronic medium that is approved by the Board of Directors, may cast a vote electronically.

Article 14.4.1 REMOVE - 14.4.1 In even numbered years, a named representative from St. John's, Burin Peninsula, Central, Labrador West, and CBS shall be appointed to the Board to serve a two (2) year term. Each Region may name another person from their Region who will have the right to attend all meetings, speak and vote on behalf of the Region in the absence of the named representative.

ADD - 14.4.1 In even numbered years, a named representative from St. John's, Burin Peninsula, Central, Labrador West, Paradise and CBS shall be appointed to the Board to serve a two (2) year term. Each Region may name another person from their Region who will have the right to attend all meetings, speak and vote on behalf of the Region in the absence of the named representative.

Article 15.7 REMOVE - Nominations for positions on the Executive Committee of The Association shall be made by Members, and each nomination must be submitted in writing, together with a resume of the nominee's credentials, to the Business Manager of The Association 30 days prior to the AGM/Election of Officers.

ADD - Nominations for positions on the Executive Committee of The Association shall be made by Members, and each nomination must be submitted in writing, to the Business Manager of The Association 30 days prior to the AGM/Election of Officers.

Article 17.2 d) REMOVE - Be Commissioner of the Challenge Cup League, unless s/he is an active participant with one of the clubs in the league

ADD - Be Commissioner of the Challenge Cup League, and cannot be in conflict or be affiliated with any club in senior men's leagues, and must be independent and impartial and not influenced by self-interest, outside pressure, expectation of reward, or fear of criticism;

Article 17.3 d) REMOVE - Be Commissioner of the Jubilee Trophy League unless s/he is an active participant with one of the clubs in the league.

ADD - Be Commissioner of the Jubilee Trophy League, and cannot be in conflict or be affiliated with any club in senior women's leagues, and must be independent and impartial and not influenced by self-interest, outside pressure, expectation of reward, or fear of criticism;

Article 17.4 d) REMOVE - Be Commissioner of the Provincial Youth League unless s/he is an active participant with one of the clubs in the league.

ADD - Be Commissioner of the Provincial Youth League and cannot be in conflict or be affiliated with any club in the Provincial Youth League and must be independent and impartial and not influenced by self-interest, outside pressure, expectation of reward, or fear of criticism;

Article 19.1 REMOVE - The signing authority of The Association for cheques and payments drawn on current operating accounts of The Association shall be any two (2) of the President, the Treasurer, the Secretary, the Vice President Senior Men's.

ADD - The signing authority of The Association for cheques and payments drawn on current operating accounts of The Association shall be any two (2) members of the Executive Committee or the Business Manager.

7.0 Election of Officers

7.1 The Secretary explained procedures under our Constitution / By-Laws for nomination of Names must be put forward in writing 30 days prior to our AGM with no nominations from the floor. The following positions were up for election:

7.2 President – 2 Year Term

There was only one nomination received

Doug Redmond

Do you accept the nomination for the position of President for a 2 year term

Doug Redmond replied - Yes, and is acclaimed.

7.3 Vice President Youth – 2 Year term

There was only one nomination received

Judi Kelloway

Do you accept the nomination for the position of Vice -President – Youth for a 2 year term
Judi Kelloway Replied Yes and is acclaimed

7.4 Treasurer - 1 year term

There was only one nomination received

Doug Kirby

Do you accept the nomination for the position of Treasurer for a 1 year term

Doug Kirby Replied Yes and is acclaimed for a 1 year term

7.5 Secretary – 2 Year Terms

There was one nomination received for the position of Secretary for a 2 year Term

Ron O'Neill

President asked if Ron O'Neill accepted the nomination for the position of Secretary for a 2 year term?

Ron O'Neill Replied Yes, and was acclaimed to the position of Secretary for a 2 year Term.

7.6 Vice President Women – 1 year term

There were 3 nominations received for the position of Vice President of Women:

Jeff Tiller – incumbent

Bernie Manning

Tony Mullett

Firstly, the president asked Jeff Tiller do you accept the nomination for the position of Vice-President of Women for a 1 year Term?

Jeff Tiller Replied Yes

Secondly, the President asked Bernie Manning do you accept the nomination for the position of Vice-President of Women for a 1 year Term?

Bernie Manning replied Yes

Thirdly, the President asked Tony Mullett do you accept the nomination for the position of Vice-President of Women for a 1 year Term?

Tony Mullett Replied Yes

ELECTION

The President asked the scrutineer to explain the voting process

Dave Liverman explained the voting process and there were no questions.

Vote was opened at 9:40 am

Moved by John

Seconded by Damian

That the election be closed. Vote was closed at 10:04 am.

Motion Passed

Dave Liverman, sent a report to the President, who reported the following results:

1. That 153 votes were cast
2. The winner – Bernie Manning

8.0 Appointments of Regional Directors

8.1 According to the NLSA Constitution the following Regional Directors need to be Appointed on even numbered years for a 2 year term, and the following names for these positions were brought forward.

- a) Burin Peninsula Marc Pittman
- b) CBS – Ian Chaytor
- c) Central – Terry Goulding
- d) Lab West – Maggie Rowcliffe
- e) St. John's - Colleen McConnell

Motion

To appove the above listed names as Regional Directors for a 2 year term for their respective regions.

Moved by Ron O'Neill

Seconded By Damian

Motion Passed.

8.2 Alternate Regional Director - According to the NLSA Constitution the following Regional Directors need to be Appointed on even numbered years for a 2 year term, and the following names for these positions were brought forward.

- a) Burin Peninsula - Ernie Lundrigan
- b) CBS – Tyler Antle
- c) Central – Tara Champion
- d) Lab West – Candace Barry-Elliott
- e) St. John's - Bernie Manning

MOTION

To approve the above listed names as Altrnate Regional Directors for a 2 year term
Moved by Ron O'Neill
Seconded By Jeff Tiller
Motion Passed

9.0 Break Out Meetings - There were none

10.0 New Business

10.1 Paul North suggested. That once this election is completed that the new Board form a committee with outside input to do a complete review of our Constitution and voting practices.

10.2 Darrin Bent asked is there a process involved in determining the hosts for Challenge Cup and Jubilee Trophy Finals?

VP Men's replied that it is listed in the regulations and that the hosts for 2020 in the rotation are:

10.2.1 Challenge Cup CBS

10.2.2 Jubilee Trophy St. John's

10.3 Darrin also passed along his appreciation to the NLSA Staff and Board for their continued support over the past season.

11.0 Resolution

11.1 There were no resolutions Reported.

Jeff Tiller asked to speak to the Board and was granted the floor. He said that he wishes to contest the vote on grounds to ensure that all clubs that openly expressed their desired vote prior to the election have the opportunity of confirmation of their desires vote.

12.0 Adjournment

12.1 There being no further business a
Motion
To adjourn the meeting at 10:10 am
Moved by John McCarthy
Seconded by Damian Masterson
Motion Passed.

Ron O'Neill
Secretary

Doug Redmond
President

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