



Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

Opening

- Annual General Meeting 2021 opened by Jodine Tavares, President
 - a. Motion to open issued by: Jason Wilkinson
 - b. Seconded by: Michelle Trelford
- Quorum established per YRFA Constitution

Volunteer Recognition

- Volunteers recognized for their support/heart of organization
- A small number of volunteers made the spring flag and fall tackle possible, and we are very grateful for their support

Notice of Annual General Meeting

- Notice of the Annual General Meeting, in keeping with the Association's Constitution, was issued via multiple channels to the membership at least 30 days in advance of this meeting. This includes:
- Website – posted as main menu item and event since January 2021
- Email call November 2021

Approval of previous AGM Minutes

- Posted since February 2021
- Mark Mandato motion to approve minutes. Jason Wilkinson 2nd motion. 8 in favour.

2021 Year in Review

Successes

- YRFA played a pivotal role in helping other football non profits in establishing Return to Play strategies/plans for each stage
- Undertook a successful Spring Flag season, Spring Flag tournament, Fall tackle programming with senior age groups (not undertaken in Fall for a number of years)
- Ability to pivot programming and maximize opportunities to participate in sport when contact not available
- Support of high school football camps to ensure access to fields/resources
- Reduction in expenses – closing one storage unit and maximizing use of shipping containers
- Banner year for Sponsorship that saw all resources donated go directly to supporting players including:
 - Miele – Flag Sponsorship
 - York University – Tackle Sponsorship
 - Pratt Homes – Tackle Sponsorship



- A&E Financial – Player Sponsorship
- Received Football Ontario Operation Grant to bridge equipment costs incurred without the support of tackle programming fees

Challenges

- Reduced income with financial commitments for equipment renewal
- A number of vacant board positions
- Changes in youth football landscape – league and PSO issues
- Moving target for return to play and programming

2021 Financial Report

- Jason Wilkinson motion to approve report. Annette Vassos 2nd. 7 in favour.

	Expenses		Income	
Equipment	20419.21			
Storage	9153			
Coach Development	970			
Office Expenses	368			
Fields	5948.62			
Officials	4480			
Trainers	4086.5			
HUDL	1390			
website	1669.54			
Membership Fees	1200			
Bank fees	400			
Equipment Deposits	5000			
Marketing	3966.98			
Total				
		59051.85		
Fall Flag 2021			9600	
Fall Tackle 2021			47927.5	
Spring Flag 2021			12100	
Total				69627.5
Pending Credits				0
Closing Balances				12181
Debits				
Credits				



Final Position		22756.65		
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- It was suggested Financial Statements be created for the next fiscal year, regardless of cost.

Constitution Changes

Change 1 –

Reason for change: Housekeeping

Type of change: Addition

Location: Article VIII, 8.1.a.6

Text to add:

A director shall not be a head coach of a high school football team.

Purpose: to maintain the Association's neutrality in support of all high school football programs

“A director shall not be a head coach of a high school football team” – Point of discussion. Shaun moved to change the motion to include any member of a high school football coaching staff. Michelle seconded the change.

New motion:

“A director shall not be a member of a high school coaching staff”

Annette motioned to approve, Shaun Fletcher seconded. 6 in favour.

Change 2 –

Reason for change: Housekeeping

Type of change: Addition

Location: Article IX, 9.6

Text to add:

No representative from the association's membership is eligible to be elected to the position of President unless the member has previously served (defined as in the past two years) at least one year as a voting member of the YRFA Board of Directors.

Purpose: to ensure consistency and continuity, and to reduce reputational risk.

On record – Shaun Fletcher not in favor

Motion to approve – Annette

Seconded – Michelle Trelford



New addition - Annette motioned that the board research adding a non recruiting clause into the constitution in 2022. Michelle 2nd. 8 in favour.

Change 3 -

Reason for change: Housekeeping

Type of change: Addition

Location: Article X, 10.10

Text to add:

It is the duty of the Board of Directors to maintain neutrality with high school football programs, and to ensure that no high school football head coach is named to a YRFA head coach position for age groups: U14/Bantam, U16/Junior Varsity, U18/Varsity.

Purpose: to maintain the Association's neutrality in support of all high school football programs

Jason Wilkinson motioned to change the proposed text to exclude all high school football coaches. Shaun seconded.

New motion:

It is the duty of the Board of Directors to maintain neutrality with high school football programs, and to ensure that no high school football coaching staff is named to a YRFA head coach position for age groups: U14/Bantam, U16/Junior Varsity, U18/Varsity.

Motion to approve as it sits amended: Annette motioned, Shaun seconded.

Motion Proposal for review of members

No high school football staff are permitted to recruit for a high school football team on a Lions field, while representing York Region Lions football.

Annette motioned, Michelle seconded, to be brought to next meeting of the members. All in favor (6).

- Should be a non compete, non soliciting
- YRFA is only interested in maintaining neutrality on the field – we want kids to play high school football



Elections

- Director of Equipment
 - No nominations online, called for volunteers from the Floor.
 - Annette Vassos volunteered from the floor.
 - Motion issued by Michelle, seconded by Jay. 6 in favor.
- Director of Marketing
 - No nominations from the floor.
 - Michelle nominated Melissa Sparks.
 - Jason 2nd. 6 in favour.
- Director of Fall Football
 - No nominations from the floor.
 - Antonella Cutulle not present at meeting, but would like the position.
 - To be acclaimed one day after AGM.
- Director of Sponsorship
 - No nominations from the floor.
 - Michelle nominated Cassandra Machado.
 - Annette 2nd. 7 in favour.
- Registrar
 - No nominations from the floor.
 - Mark nominated Shelley, Mike/Annette 2nd. 6 in favour
- Treasurer
 - No nominations from the floor.
 - Board will commit to recruiting in the first quarter.
- President
 - No nominations from the floor.
 - Mike nominated Jodine. Jason 2nd. 6 in favour.
 - Jodine would like it noted for the board to recruit from within the next president in 2022.

All other business

- Life Time Member Nomination - Mike Fortier Michelle motioned, Mark 2nd. 4 in favour.

Adjournment

- Mark motion to adjourn, Jen 2nd.