NL Handball Association

Annual General Meeting

Minutes – June 2, 2021

Present: Wayne Amminson (Chair)

Ann Marie Carew
Michelle Carew
Evan Kipnis
Steve Matthews
Nassim Missaghian
Cyril Pumphrey
Andrew Short
Jennifer Short
Chris Simmons

Mike Stevenson

Regrets: Asokan Variyath

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Newfoundland and Labrador Handball Association was held on June 2, 2021 at 3 killick Dr., St. John's. Wayne Amminson chaired the meeting and Ann Marie Carew took the minutes.

Call to Order

At 7:00 the meeting was called to order and the agenda for the meeting was tabled.

Approval of Minutes of the previous AGM held on November 7, 2019
 The minutes of the previous AGM were tabled for the meeting. Approval of the minutes was moved by Mike Stevenson and seconded by Michelle Carew.

2. Report from the President-Wayne Amminson

Wayne presented and reviewed the written report. In the report he recognized the challenges over the past year due to the Pandemic (tournaments cancelled, programs and projects put on hold, etc.). On a positive note, NL Handball continues to have a good relationship with the Province, the City and the YMCA. Energies are now set on the development of the one-wall court at Kelly Park and rebuilding of the junior programs as Covid-19 restrictions ease.

3. Report from the Treasurer

Jennifer Short reported on the financial situation. On-line banking has been set up. She is now in the process of getting money refunded from Air Canada for the cancelled flights to Edmonton. She talked about the need to invest in an accounting software package. Evan Kipnis put forward the motion to purchase accounting software. Mike Stevenson seconded the motion. Ann Marie Carew put forward the motion to accept the treasurer's verbal report. The report was accepted.

4. Review of Directors

The following people will no longer be serving as directors on the Board. Tina Dawe, Ben Delaney, Corrine Mesh, Ed Vanderkloet and Jeff Walsh. Mike Stevenson moved to remove these name from the Board of Directors. Cyril Pumphrey seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Wayne opened up the floor for nominations for directors. The following five people were nominated: Wayne Amminson, Michelle Carew, Cyril Pumphy, Andrew Short, and Asokan Variyath. Ann Marie Carew moved to approve these five people as directors. Michelle Carew seconded the motion. All were in favor.

5. The current NL handball Executive was dissolved and a new Executive was established as follows:

Mike Stevenson nominated Wayne Amminson as President. Evan Kipnis seconded the motion. Wayne accepted the position as President until September 1, 2021. The position of President will be reviewed again in August, 2021.

Wayne nominated Asokan Variyath for Vice-President. Ann Marie Carew seconded the nomination. Asokan was contacted and he accepted.

Wayne nominated Jennifer Short as secretary/treasurer. Cyril Pumphrey seconded the motion. Jennifer accepted.

Wayne nominated Michelle Carew for the position of Tournament Coordinator. Evan Kipnis seconded the motion. Michelle accepted.

Wayne nominated Andrew Short for the position Handball Development. Michelle Carew seconded the motion. Andrew accepted.

NL Handball Executive:

President: Wayne Amminson

Vice-President: Asokan Variyath

Secretary/Treasurer: Jennifer Short

Tournament Coordinator: Michelle Carew

Handball Development: Andrew Short

6. New Business:

Canadian Nationals:

Andrew shared news from The Canadian Handball Association. The Nationals will not be going ahead this year due to COVID restrictions. Talks are underway with regard to the 2022 Nationals but it is difficult to say at this point if the tournament will go ahead because of travel concerns/COVID restrictions.

Kelly Park One-Wall Court:

Andrew gave an update on the one-wall court in Kelly Park. The town approved the project and a contractor was selected and approved by the Council. Completion of the project is set for June 26th, 2021. This is good news for our association and members are looking forward to playing on the new outdoor court, especially given the current COVID restrictions on indoor courts. Wayne thanked Andrew and the other members of the committee for their work on this project.

Volunteers:

Wayne talked about the concerns he has about the lack of volunteers to help out with the program, especially with the juniors. More volunteer instructors are needed. Steve Matthews said he would help out and will be in touch with Jennifer and Wayne. Nassim Missaghian asked about how difficult it would be to construct a one-wall court on existing tennis court areas. The idea was discussed and will be revisited.

Adjournment

The business of the AGM was completed. Mike moved to adjourn the meeting. Cyril seconded the motion. The meeting and adjourned at 8:15.