

NLSA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

April 10, 2021 Virtual

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 9:05 AM with welcome by Chairperson, Doug Redmond.

2. Presentation of Credentials and Roll Call

NLSA Board of Directors					
	NAME	POSITION	ATTENDANCE		
1	Doug Redmond	President	Yes		
2	Judi Kelloway	Vice President Youth	Yes		
3	Bernie Manning	Vice President Women	Yes		
4	Damian Masterson	Vice president Men	Yes		
5	Ron O'Neill	Secretary	Yes		
6	Doug Kirby	Treasurer	Yes		
7	Colleen McConnell	Region Director – St. John's	Yes		
8	Craig Dyer	Region Director – Mount Pear	Yes		
9	Tyler Antle	Region Director – CBS	Yes		
10	Ingo Elc	Region Director – Avalon	Yes		
11	Chris Bartlett	Region Director – TCP	Yes		
12	Marc Pittman	Region Director – Burin	Yes		
13	Terry Goulding	Region Director – Central	No		
14	Renee Sherstobetoff	Region Director – Western	Yes		
15	Ronnie Elson	Region Director – Lab East	No		
16	Maggie	Region Director – Lab West	Yes		
17	Paul North	Regional Director - Paradise	Yes		
18	Dave Liverman	Director 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	Yes
2	Darrin Bent	CBS	Yes
3	Andrew Murphy	CBS	Yes
4	Mike Oliver	FAA	Yes
5	Brad Kerrivan	Paradise	Yes
6	Wilf Wright	Paradise	Yes
7	Mike Edmunds	Judicial Committee	Yes
8	Keith Fahey	Paradise	Yes
9	Keith Buis	Referee	Yes
10	Lloyd Slaney	Paradise	Yes

3. Adoption of Agenda

3.1. Motion to approve Agenda
Moved by Damian Masterson
Seonded by Paul North
Motion Passed

4. Appointment of Resolutions Officer

President asked for a volunteer, to act as the Resolution Officer for the 2021 AGM, and Colleen McConnell agreed to accept the role.

5. Adoption of the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2020

5.1. Errors / Omissions – None Reported

Adopt Mintues
Motion to approve the mintues of the 2020 AGM
Moved by Damian Masterson
Seconded by Ron O'Neill
Motion Passed

5.2. Business Arising from the minutes – None Reported

6. President Report

- **6.1.** The President asked for a moment of silence to remember the people from the soccer community that passed away during the past season and those who may suffered from Covid virus.
- **6.2.** The President thanked the NLSA Staff for all the work during the passed year during the challenges of Covid
- **6.3.** The President thanked the following for all their hard work during the past season, including Dave Liverman and the work with the development of the referees; Doug Kirby and the Finance Committee for their work in keeping our Association in a good financial position.
- **6.4.** The President also confirmed that Canada Soccer will decide in May if they will be on holding National Championships, and that they are seeking federal funding for assistance.
- **6.5.** The president asked that the entire book of Reports be approved in block, with the execption of the Treasurer's Report.

MOTION

To approve the entire Book of Reports as provided to the Board, and listed on the NLSA website

Moved by Damian Masterson Seconded by Bernie Manning Motion Passed

- 7. Vice-president Report Youth Soccer No Additional information to report
- 8. Vice President Report Men's Soccer No Additional information to report
- 9. Vice President Report Women's Soccer - No Additional information to report

10. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer reported that the NLSA started 2020 in a very good financial position, with the intent of running a budget that would break even. When Covid hit, plans had to change as revenue dropped significantly due to lack of enrollement.

NLSA was able keep all staff employed during the year and we were able to run our Provincial leagues

Going forward we have changed our method of collecting fees and moved in line with the practices of Canada Soccer.

Darrin Bent asked if the partial bill that went out do that include just players or did it include all participants? Doug K confirmed that it included just players

The Treasurer thanked the Finance Committee and Mark Marshall for all their hard work to develop the budget, but indicated that we will be projecting a deficite for 2021

The Treasurer reported that due to a few issues, the Audited Report is not yet available and recommended the following motion:

10.1. MOTION

That we grant the Board of Directors permission to review and approve the Audit once it has been made available from the Auditors

Moved by Ron O'Neill Seconded by Doug Kirby Motion Passed

10.2. The Treasurer made a motion to approve the Auditors for 2021

MOTION

That we approve the Auditors for the following fiscal year to be NMP. Moved by: Doug Kirby

Seconded by: Damian Masterson Motion Passed

11. Techincal Comittee Report

11.1. Technical Staff

- **11.1.1.** Dragan expressed his appreciation to all who made 2020 a very successful year.
- 11.1.2. The next few years will be very exciting with the World Cup coming to North America. This provides us with the opportunity to grow the sport to new height.
- **11.1.3.** Mark expressed his appreciation for all the support that he and the Technical Staff received during a very challenging year.

11.2. Director of Officials

11.2.1. Expressed his thanks and appreciation for all the hard work that made 2020 a successful season, and that they are ready to offer to offer in class and on field training sessions with the approval of the Return to Play document, and will shortly be meeting with potential experienced players and coaches who may be intereste in becoming a referee.

12. Other Reports

12.1. Business Manager's Report

- **12.1.1.** The Business Manager confirmed that a new return to Play document has been sent to government and is waiting on a reply which is expected in the next 7 to 10 days
- **12.1.2.** Encouraged all clubs to submit ITC's as soon as possible

12.2. Regional Directors – Refer to the Book of Reports

- 12.2.1. Ingo Explained that the North East Soccer Club have lost many players and PCSP will be meeting with them to see if there can be a collaboration that would provide the kids with a game of soccer this year.
- 12.2.2. Paul North explained that North East have discussed amalagation in the past due to their declining numbers. Paul Expressed this appreciation to all for all their cooperation for working to make 2020 a successful year

12.3. Competitions – Refer to the Book of Reports

13. Amendments to the Rules and Regulations

13.1. The Secretary confirmed that all Rules and Regulations Committee has presented all suggested changes to the documents to the Board where it was reviewed and debated and approved.

14. Planning Meetings (If necessary)

14.1. Committees held meetings with clubs and regions during the Winter to gain any feedback, and no additional discussions were necessary.

15. Amendments to the By-Laws / Constitution

15.1. The Executive Committee of the NLSA would like to make the following changes to the Constitution and By-Laws at the AGM in 2021. These proposed changes have been reviewed, discussed and approved in principle by the Board of Directors.

MOTION
Moved by Ron O'Neill
Seconded by Damian Masterson
Move that the following changes be made to the NLSA Constitution and
By-Laws

Remove Article 7.3 and 7.4

- 7.3 Any Member may withdraw from The Association upon filing a written notice to The Board. Such withdrawal will be effective thirty (30) days after the receipt of the notification. Acceptance of this withdrawal will be based on the fact that the Member has paid, to The Association, all outstanding accounts including membership and other service fees.
- 7.4 Any Member, for just cause, may be required to withdraw from the Association by a vote of three-quarters of the Members present and eligible to vote at any general meeting.

Remove Article 10.2.3 Section a), and b).

The purpose of the Annual General Meeting shall be:

- a) to present reports relating to the most recently completed fiscal year of the Association, and
- b) to finalize planning for playing of the current outdoor season

Remove Article 10.2.4 Section n) and o)

- n) 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).
- o) Planning Meetings (if required)

Motion passed

16. Election of Officers

16.1. 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. All nominations there were received were in good order and were motioned and seconded. The following positions were up for election:

16.1.1. Vice - President Men – 2 Year Term

There was only one nomination received from Damian Masterson

Damian Masterson was asked if he accepted the nomination for the position of Vice President Men for a 2 year term Reply was Yes.

Damian Masterson was acclaimed as Vice president Men for a 2 year term.

16.1.2. Vice President Women- 2 Year term

There was only one nomination received from Bernie Manning Bernie Manning was asked if he accepted the nomination for the position of Vice - President Women for a 2 year term Reply was Yes.

Bernie Manning was acclaimed as Vice – President Women for a 2 year term

16.1.3. Treasurer – 2 Year Term

There was only one nomination received from Doug Kirby. Doug Kirby was asked if he accepted the nomination for the position of Tresurer for a 2 year term Reply was Yes.

Doug Kirby was acclaimed as Treasurer for a 2 year term

16.2. Appointments of Regional Directors

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

	Region	Director
a)	Avalon	Ingo Eckoldt
b)	Mount Pearl	Craig Dyer
c)	TCP	Chris Bartlett
d)	Labrador East	Absent
e)	Western	Renee

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 Colleen McConnell

Motion Passed.

The Secretary was asked to follow up with Labrador East regarding a Regional Director

16.3. Appointment of 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.

	Region	Director
a)	Avalon	No one at this time possibly Adam Nolan TBC
b)	Mount Pearl	Andrew Martin
c)	TCP	Alex Bungy
d)	Labrador East	Absent
e)	Western	No one at this time

MOTION

To appove the above listed names as Altrnate Regional Directors for a 2 year term

Moved by Ron O'Neill

Seconded By Doug K

Motion Passed

16.4. Appointment of Alternate Regional Director from Regions on even number years

- **16.4.1.** St. John's Region confirmed that their Alternate Director for a 1 year term will be Karen Jones (FAA)
- **16.4.2.** CBS region confirmed that their Alternate Director for a 1 year term will be lan Chaytor
- **16.4.3.** Paradise confirmed that their Alternate Director for a 1 year term will be Lloyd Slaney

16.4.4. Motion

Moved by Ron O'Neill Seconded by Damiam Masterson That the Alternate Directors or St. John's, CBS and Paradise be approved for 1 year terms. Motion Passed

The Seretary was asked to follow up with Regions who have not yet identified an Alternate Director for their respective regions.

17. New Business

17.1. There was no new Business

18. Resolution

18.1. There were no resolutions reported.

19. Adjournment

19.1. Motion

To adjourn the meeting at 9:55 am Moved by Ron O'Neill Seconded by Damian Masterson Motion Passed.

Ron O'Neill	Doug Redmond
Secretary	President