



**Gymnastics Newfoundland & Labrador
Annual General Meeting
October 21, 2023, 2:00 p.m.
Fairfield Inn & Suites, 199 Kenmount Road
St. John's**

MINUTES

1. To call the meeting to order and welcome members and guests.
Meeting Chair, Sarah Byrne called the meeting to order @ 2:00 p.m. and welcomed all delegates and observers attending.
2. To confirm the notice of meeting and appoint a recording secretary.
The meeting chair confirmed Ronda Halfyard as recording secretary.
3. To call the role of delegates, observers and confirm the vote.

Joanne Hull, Airials (Delegate)
Anna Dominic, Campia (Delegate)
Michelle Puddicombe, Campia (Observer)
Jennifer Drover, Campia (Observer)
Sherry Mercer, Cygnus (Delegate)
Angela Parfrey, Cygnus (Observer)
Jessica Tibbs, Glovertown Gymnastics (Delegate)
Shelley Collier, Peak Performance (Delegate)
Ashley Crewe, Perfectly Centered (Delegate)
Jeff Young, Saltos (Delegate)
Lindsey Payne, Snowbirds (Delegate)
Amanda Fry, Snowbirds(Observer)
Julie Blanchette, Snowbirds(Observer)
Bobbie Lee Baldwin Gosse, Wee Gym (Delegate), GNL Board
Sarah Byrne, GNL Board
Karen Gosse, GNL Board
Ronda Halfyard, GNL Board
Reg Winsor, GNL Staff
Lisa Fridgen, GNL Staff
Mike Garreffa, Observer
Colin Power, Observer
Maggie Snow, Observer

Called and confirmed.



4. To approve the agenda.

MOTION: To approve the agenda for the 2023 AGM.

Motioned: Karen Gosse

Seconded: Bobbie Lee Gosse.

Called for contrary- none.

Motion passed.

5. To receive the minutes for the 2022 Annual General Meeting as a correct record of the proceedings and to discuss any business arising from the minutes.

Sarah Byrne noted that there had been a motion at the 2022 AGM with respect to updates to the Bylaws that was withdrawn, as correctly noted in the minutes.

Called for questions regarding AGM minutes. Shelley Collier questioned noted list of directors. Brief discussion occurred.

Minutes received.

6. To receive the Annual Report of the President and address any questions that may arise. Report highlighted GNL and member successes throughout the year. Acknowledged Carol White, Executive Director who retired in this past year and her pivotal role in the growth of the support in NL throughout her many years of service.

Thanked outgoing board members.

Questions and discussion regarding the Presidents report occurred.

7. To receive reports from the Treasurer and address any questions that may arise.

Karen Gosse reviewed and discussed, as distributed, the financial statements for the past year. Budgeting for the upcoming year is yielding a loss of \$36,000. Higher premiums being charged by the insurance provider has resulted in a proposed increase in membership fees to offset this increase in cost and allow for a balanced budget going forward.

GNL availed of the Covid small Business Loan, however, the full \$40,000 is required to be repaid by early 2024.

8. To receive the reports of the Member Clubs.

Written reports were previously distributed and discussed at the plenary meeting which occurred in the morning. Sarah Byrne invited clubs in attendance to provide a supplementary verbal overview, which did occur.

Some noteworthy mentions as follows:

Wee Gym: Issues with trying to find space as well as staffing and coaching.

Perfectly Centered: Successful year. Excel program was a big asset. Successful year end show. Gave overview of unique setup of this gym and how it came about.

Snowbirds: Successful year end shows. Biggest challenge going forward is a suitable facility.



Saltos: The obstacle is getting enough coaches to address waitlists. Positive year and looking to build.

Glovertown Eagles: Replacing equipment is a big issue at present.

9. To address the annual operational motions

Noted that MNP has been with us 10-15 years with no issues.

MOTION: To retain MNP as the accounting firm for 2023-2024

Motioned: Karen Gosse

Seconded: Anna Dominic

Called for contrary- none.

Motion passed.

10. Report of the Nominating Chair and election of officers.

Grant Skinner has been nominating chair for past few years. Acknowledged that this is first year that there has been a full slate of incoming Directors.

Nominees: 6: Anna Dominic, Colin Power, Jessica Tibbs, Maggie Snow, Ashley Crewe, Michael Garreffa

As the number of nominees and existing Board members did not exceed the maximum allowed per the bylaws, there was no need for formal election, with incoming members elected by acclamation. Sarah Byrne welcomed incoming board members and thanked them for putting their names forward. With a full complement of board members, we are excited for the year ahead.

11. Termination of the 2023 GNL Annual General Meeting.

MOTION: to close the meeting.

Motioned: Bobbie Lee Gosse

Seconded: Ashley Crewe.

Called for contrary- none.

Motion passed.

Meeting closed at 2:31pm

Respectfully submitted,
Ronda Halfyard, Secretary