



2021 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

12/01/21 7:00 PM
Virtual Meeting

1. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Aron Griffith made a motion to approve the Minutes from the 2020 AGM. Nancy Halstead seconded the motion. The motion was carried.

2. TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer, Tim Sothern noted that the financial statements were available for review in the package sent to all attendees. He would comment briefly on some things of note.

Overall, the picture is very similar to that of last year in many ways. We sustained a small loss, but it was much better than the previous year. We need to remember that we still did not have a full year of softball activities. The largest expense is that of the Executive Director and there was more time billed this year over last year, partially due to COVID requirements and to extra time spent on the Rep division. We are hoping to move back into positive territory starting next year.

In the question period, Paul Black queried whether there were any grants available to the association. Tim replied that we did not meet the necessary criteria and invited Cathy Fletcher to share any other information. Cathy agreed with Tim's assessment and noted that most sports-related grants had criteria that limited eligibility to national and provincial associations. The PWSA had shared some grant money with associations who met their criteria (for the purchase of PPE, etc.) Don Wales added that the PWSA was supplying testing kits to players with an accepted accommodation.

Tim Sothern made a motion to approve the financial statements as presented. Seconded by Paul Black. Motion carried.

3. PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

President, D'Arcy Terpstra started by highlighting something that is detailed in her written report. She noted that she had accepted a PWSA Service award on behalf of the WMGSA. When accepting, she acknowledged that she was accepting the award on behalf of the many volunteers, the Board of Directors, the Executive Director, and most especially the hundreds of players who make our association what it is.

D'Arcy announced that this is her last AGM as President and thanked everyone who has supported her in her role. She made special mention of the special WMGSA culture that contributes to the retention of many volunteers whose daughters no longer play. She also mentioned her pride in our experienced coaches who are always willing to share their knowledge with newer coaches.

She completed her remarks by thanking everybody for all their hard work.

Aron Griffith and Cathy Fletcher both thanked D'Arcy for her years of dedication to the association.

4. REPORTS

Vice President, Representative, Nancy Halstead stated that her report (included in the booklet) was self-explanatory and noted that she is looking forward to a more normal year in 2022. She is thrilled that we will once again field two U11 teams, after several years with only one.

Vice President, House League, Jessica Miller stated that she really had nothing to say since she has been less involved due to COVID concerns. She expressed her gratitude to the people who worked hard to get the house league girls on the field.

Director of Marketing & Public Relations, Angela Garland thanked everyone for their hard work in keeping things running.

Umpire-in-Chief, Aron Griffith reported that he had nothing to share.

Past President, Paul Black thanked everyone for all their work and extended a special thanks to D'Arcy for her exceptional leadership. He thanked Tim for always keeping us on track and thanked Cathy for her hard work.

5. CONSTITUTION

There were no proposed amendments submitted.

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

There was nothing raised under General Business.

7. ELECTION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The new executive was elected. The position of Umpire-in-Chief is vacant.

The election was closed.

Newly elected President, Tim Sothern stated that his first official duty was to say thanks to D'Arcy and he noted that he is glad she is remaining as Past President. He extended many thanks to Paul Black for all of his efforts over the years, saying that he had learned a lot watching him.

Nicole Miller made a motion to adjourn at 7:40. Paul Black seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.