

2023 SASSA AGM Minutes

10:00 AM, Saturday June 3rd, 2023

Video Conference

Attendance:

Jordan St.Onge
Ben Capili
Margot Benning
Sharlese Tubman

Tim Comfort
Chris Veeman
Rob Makowsky

Norm Cloutier
Jamie Simpson
Marie Fish

1. Call to Order

Order was called at 10:04 AM

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion: To approve the agenda for the 2023 SASSA AGM.

Moved: Marie Fish

Seconded: Rob Makowsky

Carried

3. 2022 Annual General Meeting Minutes

Motion: To approve the 2022 SASSA AGM Minutes.

Moved: Jamie Simpson

Seconded: Rob Makowsky

Carried

a) Business Arising

No business arising from the 2022 SASSA AGM minutes

4. Membership Development Update

a) There was discussion regarding our total membership. Our numbers are down this year.

This is troubling because we were not able to capitalize after the Olympics last year.

There was discussion on how to attract new members into our sport.

5. Appointment of Scrutineers

Motion: Any voting that is needed, will be conducted through email.

6. Reports

a. **President: Chris Veeman**

Highlights: As submitted

b. **Sask Winter Games: Margot Benning**

Highlights: As submitted

c. **Provincial Coach: Tim Comfort**

Highlights: As submitted

d. **Executive Director: Jordan St.Onge**

Highlights: As submitted.

7. New Business

a. Presentation of the 2022-23 Financials

Jordan presented the 2023 audited Financial Statements.

b. Appointment of Auditor for 2023-2024

Motion: To appoint Dudley and Company as the auditor for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

Moved: Jason Coutu

Seconded: Marie Fish

Carried

c. Club Updates

Regina- Margot discussed the year the Regina Speed Skating Club had. They ran a successful Learn to Skate program. It was a busy year for the Club skaters with a full season of competitions. Furthermore the Regina Club hosted the Sask Winter Games, the Regina Short Track Meet and hosted a Long Track Mini Meet. There were two skaters from the Regina Club that skated at the Canada Winter Games.

Saskatoon- Rob stated that the Saskatoon Club has many young skaters in their Group 1 and Learn to Skate Program. Saskatoon hosted the Fast is Fun camp this year. They also hosted the Medals on Tour Event that Speed Skating Canada organized. The Saskatoon Club hosted the Prairie Opener Short Track Meet, the John Sands Long Track Meet and Canadian Youth Short Track West. Their silent auction was a big hit and led to the meets being profitable. Another huge success was the Fiber Glass mesh that was installed at the Oval. This led to great ice that did not chip with changes in the weather. The John Sands Skater program hosted 9 School Classes from Saskatoon that were able to try the rental skates on the ice. The Saskatoon Club had many skaters take part in the Sask Winter Games and Canada Winter Games. Finally registration was shifted to IceReg. It worked really well collecting fees and it was even used for Competition Registration.

Moose Jaw- Ben discussed the Learn to Skate program that had 31 skaters this year, which is close to the average. The Moose Jaw Club had a draw at the end of the Year for every Personal Best time skated. That was very popular with the kids. The Fish Bowl Short Track meet was very well attended. The Club is gearing up to host the Fast is Fun camp this summer in Caronport.

Melville- Jamie stated that their Learn to Skate numbers were good. They had several skaters going to meets this year. They expect the Active Start skaters to return to the Club next year. Thanks to the fundraising efforts the Melville Club had a surplus this past year. The Melville Club hosted a successful Meet this past year. The Pin Program was used and the skaters seemed to like it. The Club gave out Personal Best ribbons this year, which was a hit with the kids. Two skaters from the Melville Club attended Canadian Youth Short Track West in Saskatoon.

Prince Albert- No report submitted.

Nipawin- No report submitted.

d. **Official Upgrades-**

We have requested to Speed Skating Canada that Rob Makowsky be upgraded to a Level 3 Starter. Furthermore, Jason Coutu ran a Level 1 Clinic that was very well attended.

Coaching Upgrades

Fundamentals: {Certified} Olivier Larocque, Olivia Moyses, Michael Stoicescu

{Trained} Sharlese Tubman, Landon Tubman, Shailyn Brown

Intro to Comp: {Certified} Olivier Larocque, Liam Dallaire

{Trained} Olivia Moyses, Alex Fish, Abby Chegwin, Sharlese Tubman.

e. **2023-2024 Schedule of Events**

Here is the planned schedule of events for next season.

Long Track:

Saskatoon Long Track Meet- Jan 13-14, 2024

Regina Long Track Meet- Jan 27-28, 2024

Short Track:

Prairie Opener Short Track Meet (Warman) - Oct 21-22, 2023

Regina Short Track Meet- Nov 4-5, 2023

Melville Short Track Meet- Dec 2, 2023

Fish Bowl Short Track Meet (Caronport) – Mar 9-10, 2024 (tentative)

8. **Motions and Recommendations**

1. **Motion:** None

9. **Nomination Committee Report – Election of Officers and Appointment of Directors**

VP Competitions:

Nominations: Marie Fish nominates Jason Coutu

VP Competitions acclaimed by **Jason Coutu**

Member at Large (2 year term):

Nomination: Ben Capili nominates Marie Fish

Member at Large acclaimed by **Marie Fish**

Member at Large (1 year term):

Nomination: Margot Benning nominates Norm Cloutier

Member at Large acclaimed by **Norm Cloutier**

Athlete Rep:

Nominations: Jason Coutu nominates Cara Harms
Athlete Rep acclaimed by **Cara Harms**

VP Finance:

Nominations: Chris Veeman nominates Michelle Beveridge
VP Finance acclaimed by Michelle Beveridge

VP Membership Development:

Nominations: None

VP Membership Development will remain vacant

10. Announcements –

- a) The Fast is Fun Camp is scheduled for August 26-27, 2023 in Caronport.
- b) The 2024 SASSA AGM will be held Saturday June 1 2023.

11. Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn the 2023 SASSA AGM at 11:31 AM

Moved: Jamie Simpson

Carried