

# Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Members (AMM) of Ontario Basketball Saturday, October 31, 2015 at the Concorde Corporate Centre (Toronto)

Approved at 2016 Annual Meeting of Members on Saturday, November 5, 2016 at Abilities Centre (Whitby).

#### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Parliamentarian Bob Borden at 11:54 a.m.

#### 2. President Opening Remarks

Greg Verner recognized the OBA staff, current Board of Directors, various OBA committees and OBA membership for their commitment to basketball development in the province. Additionally, Greg acknowledged Michele O'Keefe (Canada Basketball) and Jaime McCaig (Ontario Association of Basketball Officials) for attending the AMM. Lastly, Greg congratulated Team Ontario for their continued success at the Canada Basketball National Championships.

# 3. Appointment of Scrutineers

The scrutineers were announced as Carmelo Mallia and Mike Selliah.

#### 4. Report of Scrutineers

The scrutineers reported that there were 41 votes in the room.

# 5. Approval of Agenda

Bob Borden asked members to review the agenda and indicated that with no election, applicable agenda items will be omitted. The agenda was not approved as quorum was not met.

# 6. Minutes of AMM – November 8, 2014

The members were asked to review the minutes of last year's Annual Meeting of Members.

# 7. Approval of Minutes

The minutes were not approved as quorum was not met.

# 8. Business Arising from Minutes

There was no additional business added to the agenda.

#### 9. Election

The three nominees were acclaimed prior to the Annual Meeting of Members at a Board of Directors meeting as there were only three candidates for three positions.

#### 10. Board Committee Reports

#### i. Executive Committee

On behalf of the Executive Committee, Greg Verner, thanked the tireless efforts of the professional staff and commented on the successful year of the organization, having overcome a substantial deficit from two years prior.

## ii. Finance Committee

On behalf of the Finance Committee, Jason Jansson reported another year of recovery and asked the membership to review the 2014-15 Financial Audited Statements and ask questions.

The appointment of auditors for fiscal year ending August 31, 2016 was not considered as quorum was not met.

# 11. Presentation of Staff Reports

Jason Jansson showed those in attendance the digital Annual Report (<a href="http://www.obaannualreport.ca">http://www.obaannualreport.ca</a>) and opened the floor for discussion. The membership suggested that Ontario Basketball make the online report available earlier in the future in order to have time to review the reports.

Additionally, Jason Jansson provided information and answered questions regarding the newly unveiled strategic plan, entitled "2020 OBA Vision."

#### 12. New Business

# i. Transfer Policy

Some members expressed concerns regarding the Transfer Policy; some felt that the policy does not serve the best interests of the majority of the OBA membership (players) and gives clubs undue power over players, that it is difficult for parents to assess the quality of a club prior to their child committing to that club, that it unfairly punishes child players rather than adult "poachers", and that Ontario Basketball has many players currently in "limbo" and may lose players and teams who want to avoid complying with the policy.

In accordance with the voice of the membership, the Chair and the Board of Directors are committed to refining the Ontario Basketball Transfer Policy.

#### 13. Announcement of Directors

Regent John Lovett announced Janine Day (Incumbent), David Errington and Sam Moncada (Incumbent) as the newest members of the Board of Directors.

# 14. Motion to Destroy Ballots

The destruction of ballots was omitted as quorum was not met.

# 15. Closing Remarks (President)

Greg Verner thanked the members who attended the 2015 Annual Meeting of Members and encouraged members to join any Committees when a call for applications is made available.

# 16. Adjournment

A termination of the meeting was omitted as quorum was not met.

# **Members in Attendance**

Name	Affiliation
Ken Urbach	Barrie Royals
Don Pierson	Kingston Impact
Michele O'Keefe	Canada Basketball
David Errington	Member-at-Large
Terry Chatten	Orillia Lakers
Dave Bannister	York North Basketball Association
Darryl Burke	York North Basketball Association
Darlene White	York North Basketball Association
Sean Dawson	Markham Unionville Minor Basketball Association
Nick Christian	Guelph Youth Basketball Association
Jeff Dockery	South Simcoe Basketball Club
Jaime McCaig	Ontario Association of Basketball Officials
Peter Jones	Scarborough Basketball Association
Don Marchione	Scarborough Basketball Association
Mike Quigley	Kitchener-Waterloo Youth Basketball Association
Hugh Riley	Brampton Minor Basketball Association
Sam Moncada	Scarborough Basketball Association
Stephanie Rudnick	Toronto JCC
Greg Verner	Orangeville Hawks
Sam Hill	Scarborough Basketball Association
Dave Hurley	Stratford Optimist Basketball Association
Gerrie Weldon	Mississauga Minor Basketball Association
John Lovett	Regent
Michael Reio	Basketball World Toronto
Sylvester Murray	South Simcoe Basketball Club
John Rocchi	Blessed Sacrament
Shawn Cross	South Simcoe Basketball Club
Kevin Reddy	South Simcoe Basketball Club
Vedat Abacioglu	Scarborough Basketball Association
Joel Del Carmen	Basketball World Toronto