

# NLSA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

# MINUTES

April 9, 2022

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Holiday Inn St. John's, NL (Portugal Cove Road)

# 1. Call to Order

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

	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	Vacant	Treasurer	NA
7	Colleen McConnell	Region Director – St. John's	Yes
8	Craig Dyer	Region Director – Mount Pear	Yes
9	Mark Lane	Region Director – CBS	Yes
10	Ingo Eckoldt	Region Director – Avalon	No
11	Chris Bartlett	Region Director – TCP	Yes On Line
12	Marc Pittman	Region Director – Burin	Yes On Line
13	Terry Goulding	Region Director – Central	Yes
14	Renee Sherstobetoff	Region Director – Western	Yes
15	Ronnie Elson	Region Director – Lab East	No
16	Maggie Rowcliffe	Region Director – Lab West	Yes On Line
17	Paul North	Regional Director - Paradise	Yes
18	NA	Director of Officails	NA
19	Dragon Mircovic	Techical Director	No
20	Mark Marshall	Techical Staff	No
21	Rob Comerford	Business Manager	Yes

2. Presentation of Credentials and Roll Call

	NAME	CLUB / ASSOCIATION	
1	Tyler Antle	CBS	Yes On Line
2	Candace Elliott	LWMSA	Yes On Line
3	Cameron Carpenter	FAA	Yes
4	Florian Villaume	Duke of Duckworth	Yes
5	Etienne Vuillaume	Duke of Duckworth	Yes
6	Majid Eghbali Z		Yes On Line
7	Jeff Babstock	NLSA	Yes
8	Doug Kirby	NLSA	Yes
9	Scott Knight	FAA	Yes
10	Darrin Bent	CBS	Yes On Line

#### 3. Adoption of Agenda

3.1. Motion to approve Agenda Moved by Bernie Manning Seonded by Colleen McConnell Motion Passed

#### 4. Appointment of Resolutions Officer

President asked for a volunteer, to act as the Resolution Officer for the 2022 AGM, and Colleen McConnell agreed to accept the role.

## 5. Adoption of the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2021

5.1. Errors / Omissions – None Reported

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**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 NLSA followed all provincial Covid protocols which caused amny challenges. In 2021 there were no Atlantic or National Championships but had a very successful PYL, CC and JT Championships
- **6.4.** 2022 is looking very bright with both Canada Games teams travelling to Halifax, and two teams travelling to Vancouver with the Whitecaps program. Lauren Rowe was successful in getting on the U20 Canada training squad.
- **6.5.** Our Technical program with Dragan , Mark and the help of Mike Power has come a long way with cooperation of players and parents.
- **6.6.** Referee programming is under review and a report expected shortly
- 6.7. Thanks to Colleen Craig and Chris with our communications plan

- **6.8.** Financially the NLSA is in a good position especially with the reduction in registration during Covid, but the number of registrants has returned. Thank you to the Finance Committee with Doug Kirby, John McCarthy, and Rob for their hard work.
- **6.9.** 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 with the exception of the Audit which will be reviewed independently. Moved by Paul North Seconded by Bernie Manning Motion Passed

#### 7. Vice-president Report – Youth Soccer

**7.1.** All information was supplied in the Book of Reports which was available on the NLSA website. There was no additional information to report.

#### 8. Vice – President Report – Men's Soccer

**8.1.** All information was supplied in the Book of Reports which was available on the NLSA website. There was no additional information to report.

#### 9. Vice – President Report – Women's Soccer

**9.1.** All information was supplied in the Book of Reports which was available on the NLSA website. There was no additional information to report.

#### 10. Treasurer's Report

**10.1.** Doug Kirby was invited to speak on the budget and Audit.

#### Revenues

Have returned to pre-covid times which is very positive. Doug Kirby reported that the NLSA started 2021 in a very good financial position, with the intent of running a budget that would break even. Due to Covid, plans had to change.

#### Expenses

NLSA was able keep all staff employed during the year and we were able to run our Provincial leagues. Staff, facilities rentals and Canada Soccer Levies are our largest expenses

Overall, the NLSA has a healthy income statement and the 2022 budget will see a few changes with additional Office Staff, and the Referee Programs.

## 10.2. Mr. Kirby asked for a motion to approve the Auditors for 2022-2023

#### 10.2.1. MOTION

That we approve the Auditors for the following fiscal year to be Fred Earle Accountants. Moved by: Damian Masterson

Seconded by: Bernie Manning Motion Passed

## **11. Techincal Comittee Report**

## 11.1. Technical Staff

**11.1.1.** Neither Mark or Dragan were in attendance due to travel commitments, but there Reports were made available on the website

## 11.2. Director of Officials

11.2.1. Referee Report has been submitted and will be released shortly

## 12. Other Reports

- 12.1. Business Manager's Report Refer to the Book of Reports
- **12.2. Regional Directors –** Refer to the Book of Reports
- 12.3. Competitions Refer to the Book of Reports

## 13. Amendments to the Rules and Regulations

**13.1.** The Secretary confirmed that the Rules and Regulations Committee has presented all suggested changes to the documents to the Board of Directors 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 at this time.

## 15. Amendments to the By-Laws / Constitution

**15.1.** No Amendments were presented.

# 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. 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 President for a 2 year term Reply was Yes.

Damian Masterson was acclaimed as President for a 2 year term.

## 16.1.2. Vice President Youth – 2 Year term

There was only one nomination received from Judi Kelloway.

Judi Kelloway was asked if he accepted the nomination for the position of Vice - Youth for a 2 year term Reply was Yes. Judi Kelloway was acclaimed as Vice – President Youth for a 2 year term.

## 16.1.3. Secreatary – 2 Year Term

There was only one nomination for the position of Secretary

Ron O'Neill was asked by the President if he accepted the nomination for the position of Secretary for a two Year Term. Reply was yes Ron O'Neill was acclaimed as Sectretary for a 2 Year Term

## 16.1.4. Treasurer – 1 Year Term

Position is vacant and no nominations were received as a result the position will be filled by appointment of the Board of Directors

**16.1.5.** Vice-President Men – will be vacated at the close of the AGM. Position will have to be filled for a one year term by appointment of the Board of Directors

## 16.2. Appointments of Regional Directors

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.

In even numbered years, a named representative shall be appointed to the Board to serve a two (2) year term from the following Regions: Burin Peninsula, CBS, Central, Labrador West, Paradise, and St. John's							
Year	Region	Director	Alternate				
Appointed			Director				
2022	Burin	Marc Pittman	Ernie Lundrigan				
2022	CBS	Mark Lane	Tyler Antle				
2022	Central	Terry Goulding	Tara Champion				
2022	Labrador West	Maggie Rowcliffe	Candace Elliott				
2022	Paradise	Paul North	Lloyd Slaney				
2022	St. John's	Scott Knight	TBD				

## 16.3. MOTION

Moved by Ron Seconded by Damian That the names brought forward for the positions of Regional Directors and Alternate Directors be approved as presented Motion Passed

# **17.New Business**

- **17.1.** Regional Director Western tabled a request that the NLSA investigate allowing an elite team from Western Region be allowed to challenge for a position for the final weekend in PYL, JT, and CC.
- **17.2.** Darrin Bent thanked Doug for his years of service.
  - **17.2.1.** Recommends that the NLSA introduce a standard safety statement and an acknowledgment of indigenous lands at the start of our meetings.
  - **17.2.2.** There used to be 2 meetings each year with one in the fall and another in the spring, and would like to see that brought back. Doug Redmond confirmed that we did have a Winter Planning meeting in 2023.
- **17.3.** Florian asked the Board what our plans are to create a more inclusive opportunity for international players.
  - **17.3.1.** Doug Redmond explained that we have a representative Renee on SportNL, we have met with you and your colleagues, and we are working with Canada Soccer as they implement a new plan. Doug thanked Florian for his efforts in working together to create a more inclusive environment.
  - **17.3.2.** Damian highlighted that the Canada Soccer's AAM has a 3 hour workshop on this topic.
  - **17.3.3.** Maggie stated that she is having difficulty renting vechiles and hotels so she would appreciate the dates for tournaments.
  - **17.3.4.** Etienne Vuillaume asked if the NLSA could meet with groups from Memorial University to work on a plan to incorporate a stronger relationship wirth sport, health and community.

# 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 Bernie Manning Motion Passed.

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Ron O'Neill Secretary Doug Redmond President