

**SPEED SKATING CANADA
120TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Canmore, Alberta
June 16, 2007
Radisson Hotel**

Saturday, June 16, 2007 – 8:15 AM

1. Call to Order

The President, Brian Bunney, called the meeting to order at 8:15 am.

2. President's Welcome

Brian Bunney welcomed the delegates and guests to the Speed Skating Canada 120th AGM in Canmore.

Brian Bunney introduced the Board of Directors: Nicole Slot, Athlete Director; Joyce Jackman, Peter Dankers, Lee McGreish, Marie-Claire Rouleau, Jim Connolly, Michel Daignault, Treasurer and himself.

Brian Bunney introduced the National Office Staff: Jean Dupré, Director General; Patricia Brennan, Director of Finance and Administration; Brian Rahill, Sport Director; Dawn Currie, Sport Development Director; Mark Mathies, National Team Program Manager; Yves Hamelin, Short Track Program Manager, Finn Halvorsen, Long Track Program Manager, Yanna Moncion, Sport Program Assistant; Mylène Croteau, Manager of Communications; Jennifer Conway Administrative and Membership Services Assistant; and Mariamanda Espinoza, Accounting Clerk.

Brian Bunney introduced the Committee Chairs: Gregg Planert, High Performance Long Track; Tom Overend, High Performance Short Track, Jacques Grégoire, Officials Development Committee; Nancy Goplen, Competitions Development Committee; Peter Steele, Coaching Development Committee; David Knight, Club & Membership Development Committee.

Brian Bunney introduced the Skater's Representatives: Jean-François Monette, Jean-René Bélanger, Kim Weger, Michael Gilday (absent).

Brian Bunney recognized the guests who were attending parts of the AGM; Ian Dalling, from Sport Canada; Micheline and John Sands, special friends and supporters of speed skating; Alice Humeny, Nannette Coverton, Catherine Humeny, Lynda Murch, Jim Kelly, Russell Reimer and Jess Debnam from the Olympic Oval Organizing Committee; Mark Greenwald, Debbie Fisher, Karrie Kreutz, Moira Marshall, Stacey Polet, Cara Thibault and Sean Ireland from the Olympic Oval; Magnus Enfeldt, from VANOC; Gerry De Cicco, from The City of Richmond; Denis Plamondon, from the National training Centre in Montreal.

Brian Bunney led the delegates in a moment of silence for those friends of speed skating that have passed away over the past year, including Mr. Ernest Crockett who passed away April 13, 2007 at 91 years of age.

3. Roll Call of the Delegates

Jean Dupré read through the delegates and asked for a show of hands. A total of 33 delegates, 3 athletes representatives and 8 Board members were in attendance and 8 proxies were held, for a total of 52 votes. Voting cards were handed out accordingly.

PROV / TERR	ACT ALL'D	DELEGATE	TOTAL
Nunavut	2	John Maurice	2
NWT	2	Pam Dunbar	2
Yukon	1	Cynthia Onions	1
BC	6	Sue Spencer	1
		Ted Houghton	1
		Tina Henry	1
		Barb Beck	1
		Maurice Legros	1
		Lanyin Osborne	1
Alberta	4	Phyllis Loewen	1
		Tom Lipsett	1
		Andrena Roberts	1
		Joni Greenhough	1
SK	4	Doug Hynne	1
		Shawn MacLennan	1
		Bill Christ	1
		Sandi Connolly	1
Manitoba	3	John Brighty	1
		Nicolle Moskven	1
		Peggy Poole	1
Ontario	6	Stephen Arnold	2
		Todd Landon	1
		Graham Wilkins	2
		Damian Brown	1
Quebec	8	Gilles Dufour	2
		Robert Dubreuil	1
		Stéphane Bronsard	1
		André Beaulieu	1
		Michelle Casoni	1
		Maryse Poudrier	1
		Richard Caux	1
NB	3	Ann Evans	3
NFL	1	No delegates	0
PEI	1	Glenn Holmes	1
NS	1	No delegates	0
Board of Directors	8	Brian Bunney	1
		Marie-Claire Rouleau	1
		Lee McGreish	1
		Peter Dankers	1
		Joyce Jackman	1
		Jim Connolly	1
		Michel Daignault	1
		Nicole Slot	1
Skaters Representative	4	Jean-François Monette	2
		Jean-René Bélanger	1
		Kim Weger	1
Allowable	54	Total Votes	52

4. **Approval of Agenda**

Motion: To approve the AGM Agenda as distributed.

Moved by: Maurice Legros; Seconded by: Doug Hynne.

CARRIED

5. **Greetings from US Speed Skating**

Katie Traver the North American US Speed Skating representative thanked Speed Skating Canada for the invitation to attend the 120th AGM.

6. **Approval of the 2006 AGM Minutes**

Motion: To approve the 2006 AGM Minutes as amended.

Move by: Glenn Holmes; Second by: Stephen Arnold

CARRIED

The following amendments were identified:

Tom Overend: Under Section 8. Elections, the HPCST and HPCLT members were elected for 2 year terms and the minutes should be amended to reflect that.

Marie-Claire Rouleau: Also in Section 8, Elections of Board members, Jean Dupré requested nominations from the floor for the vacant positions. Robert Dubreuil nominated Marie-Claire Rouleau. Jean Dupré asked Marie-Claire if she accepted the nomination. Jean Dupré requested 3 times for additional nominations from the floor. There were no other nominations. Marie-Claire Rouleau and Jim Connolly were elected by acclamation.

Jim Connolly: The delegate and vote count should reflect that Nicole Slot has a vote and the final vote total should read 54.

7. **Reports**

Brian Bunney addressed each of the reports that was distributed with the Delegate Package.

President's Report

Brian Bunney did not have anything to add to the report. There were no questions.

Motion: That the 2007 AGM receive the President's Report as distributed.

Moved by: Phyllis Loewen, Seconded by: Maurice LeGros

CARRIED

National Office Report

Jean Dupré did not have anything to add to the report. There were no questions.

Motion: That the 2007 AGM receive the National Office Report as distributed.

Moved by: Graham Wilkins, Seconded by: Sue Spencer

CARRIED

SSC Committee Reports

Tom Overend provided clarification of point 8 in his report. There were a number of questions raised and answered by Tom Overend, Nancy Goplen and Peter Steele respectively.

Motion: That the 2007 AGM receive the SSC Committee Reports.

Moved by: Joni Greenhough, Seconded by: Peggy Poole

CARRIED

Branch Reports

Ann Evans indicated that through the efforts of many the Fredricton club was able to convince the local city council to include an Olympic size ice service in an ice rink complex being planned. Ann wished to thank everybody that had provided their support to this project. There were no questions of any of the Branch Presidents.

Motion: That the 2007 AGM receive the Branch Reports as distributed.

Moved by: Sandi Connolly, Seconded by: Pam Dunbar

CARRIED

Olympic Oval Organizing Committee Report

Alice Humeny did not have anything to add to the report. There were no questions.

Motion: That the 2007 AGM receive the report as distributed.

Moved by: Peggy Poole, Seconded by: Stéphane Bronsard

CARRIED

8. Elections

Motion: To designate Jean Dupré as the President of Elections.

Moved by: Peggy Poole; Second by: Stéphane Bronsard

CARRIED

Position

Incumbent

BOD – 2 year term (3 positions) Lee McGreish, Peter Dankers, Joyce Jackman

Treasurer

Michel Daignault

HPCLT – 2 year term

Susan Auch

HPCST – 2 year term

Isabel Charest

Director at Large for 2 years – 3 positions

Jean Dupré noted that there were three Director at Large positions open on the Board of Directors. Peter Dankers, Joyce Jackman stood for re-election and a nomination has been received for Sean Maw. Jean requested three times for nominations from the floor. No further nominations were received.

Jean Dupré declared Peter Dankers and Joyce Jackman re-elected by acclamation.

Sean Maw was elected by acclamation as Director at Large.

Peter Dankers declared a possible conflict of interest with his son being a member of the National Team.

Joyce Jackman declared no conflicts of interest.

Sean Maw declared a possible conflict of interest as he does research work for the Olympic Oval.

Treasurer for 2 years – 1 position

Jean Dupré advised that Michel Daignault was the only candidate nominated for the Treasurer position. Jean requested three times for nominations from the floor. No further nominations were received.

Jean Dupré declared Michel Daignault elected by acclamation as Treasurer.

Michel Daignault declared a possible conflict of interest with the training centre in Montreal. He is the Treasurer of the training centre and his brother is a coaching member of the US national team.

High Performance Long Track and Short Track Committee member – 1 position each

Jean Dupré advised that the only candidates were Susan Auch for the High Performance Long Track Committee and Isabel Charest for the High Performance Short Track Committee. Jean Dupré asked three times for any nominations from the floor. No further nominations were received.

Jean Dupré declared Susan Auch elected by acclamation as a member of the High Performance Long Track Committee and Isabel Charest elected by acclamation as a member of the High Performance Short Track Committee.

Gregg Planert and Robert Dubreuil spoke for the respective elected member and declared no conflict of interest.

Jean Dupré and Brian Bunney congratulated the newly elected and re-elected members.

9. Present Audited 2006-2007 Financial Statement

The audited statement was presented to the delegates by Michel Daignault and Patricia Brennan. Michel reviewed the revenues and expenses.

Motion: That SSC receive the 2006-2007 Audited Financial Statement.

Moved by: Bill Christ; Second by: Maryse Poudrier

CARRIED

10. Recommended and Approve Auditors

Motion: That SSC appoint McCay Duff & Company as auditors for the 2007-2008 financial year.

Moved by: Doug Hynne, Seconded by: Tom Lipsett

CARRIED

11. Present 2007-2008 Budget

Michel Daignault presented the 2007-2008 Budget, covering the highlights, revenues and expenses, income statement and balance sheet, to illustrate SSC's financial position.

Motion: That SSC receive the 2007-2008 budget as presented.

Moved by: John Brighty, Second by: John Maurice

CARRIED

12. Presentation of Rules

Jacques Grégoire, chairman of the Officials Development Committee gave a brief summary of what transpired during the Rules Workshop.

Motion: That SSC receive the report from the 2007 Rules Workshop.

Moved by: Cynthia Onions, Second by: Tom Lipsett

CARRIED

13. SSC Business Items

a) **By-Laws/P&R changes**

1) SPECIFIC BY-LAW AMENDMENT

Be it resolved that the By-Laws of Speed Skating Canada be amended as follows:

Proposed By-Law wording:

Article 1 Section 1 d)

1. DEFINITIONS

d) *Director at Large means the Directors of the Corporation;*

Proposed By-Law wording as amended:

Article 1 Section 1 f)

1. DEFINITIONS

f) *Skaters' Representative means an athlete skater from a National Training Centre High Performance Program and would include skaters from the National Team or National Development Team;*

Proposed By-Law wording as amended:

Article 1 Section 2

2. GENERAL

In these By-laws and resolutions of the Corporation, the word person shall include individuals, proprietorships, partnerships, corporations, trusts, unincorporated organizations, governmental bodies, and other legal entities. Words imparting the singular number or the masculine gender shall, where the context requires include the plural or the feminine or neuter genders, as the case may be, and vice versa.

Proposed By-Law wording:

Article II Section 11

11. EXECUTION OF INSTRUMENTS

Contracts, documents or instruments in writing requiring the signature of the Corporation may be signed by the President or Treasurer together with another Officer of the Corporation authorized by the Board and all contracts, documents or instruments in writing so signed shall be binding upon the Corporation without any further authorization and formality. The Board is authorized from time to time by resolution to appoint any Officer or Officers, or any other person or persons, to sign and deliver on behalf of the Corporation either contracts, documents and instruments in writing generally, or specific contracts, documents and instruments in writing.

Proposed By-Law wording:

Article II Section 12

12. ENACTMENT, AMENDMENT, AND REPEAL OF BY-LAWS

The by-laws of the Corporation not embodied in the letters patent of the Corporation may be repealed or amended by by-law enacted by the Board of Directors and sanctioned by an affirmative vote of sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66 2/3%) of members present and entitled to vote at a meeting duly called for the purpose of considering the said by-law, provided that the repeal or amendment of such by-laws shall not be enforced or acted upon until the approval of the Minister of Industry has been obtained

Proposed By-Law wording:

Article II Section 13

13. TEMPORARY BY-LAWS OR PROCEDURES AND REGULATIONS

The Board may prescribe temporary by-laws or procedures and regulations relating to the management and operation of the Corporation as it may deem expedient, provided such by-laws or procedures and regulations shall have force and effect only until the next annual general meeting of the Members of the Corporation when they shall be confirmed, and in default of confirmation at such Annual General Meeting of Members, shall at and from that time cease to have force and effect

Proposed By-Law wording as amended:

Article III Section 16

16. BRANCH MEMBERS

The Branch Members of the Corporation are duly constituted Provincial or Territorial Associations/Federations that are responsible for the management of speed skating within provincial or territorial boundaries and have the primary responsibility for representing their members at the Annual Meeting of the Corporation.

- a) *Branch Members shall be entitled to notice of meeting of members and to vote subject to the provisions of the By-Laws or other Regulations of the Corporation*

Proposed By-Law wording:

Article III Section 17 a)

17. CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP

There shall be three classes of membership in the Corporation:

- a) *Ordinary Membership shall be open to persons who subscribe to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Corporation.*

Proposed By-Law wording:

Article III Section 18 b) and c) and delete d)

18. CONDITIONS OF MEMBERSHIP

- b) *A person under the age of eighteen (18) years may be admitted as a member of the Corporation or appointed to any office therein;*
- c) *No member under the age of sixteen (16) years shall be entitled to vote at any meetings of the Corporation*

Proposed By-Law wording:

Article III Section 19

19. MEMBERSHIP FEES

- a) *The membership fees shall be set by the Board and shall become effective only when approved by the members at an annual or other general meeting.*
- b) *A member shall be deemed to be in good standing upon payment of the current annual membership fee.*
- c) *If a Member fails to pay the membership fee in full when due or otherwise fails to abide by the provisions of the By-Laws of the Corporation, the Board may in its discretion and subject to such terms and conditions as it deems appropriate:*
 - i) *suspend the voting or such other privileges of such Member, or*
 - ii) *impose such further or other penalty, including fines, as the Board may determine.*
- d) *Memberships are not transferable.*

Proposed By-Law wording as amended:

Article III Section 20 b)

20. TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP

- b) *upon the member's death;*

Proposed By-Law wording:

Article IV Section 22

22. COMPOSITION

The Annual Meeting shall be composed of:

- i) *the Board;*
- ii) *delegates appointed by a Branch Member to attend the meeting; and*
- iii) *the four Skaters' Representatives as appointed by the four National High Performance athlete groups.*

Proposed By-Law wording:

Article IV Section 24

24. VOTING

Replace as required with the title of "Chair"

Proposed By-Law wording as amended:

Article IV Section 24 a)

24. VOTING

- a) *Every question, unless otherwise specifically provided for in the Procedure and Regulations or in these By-laws, submitted to any meeting of members shall be decided by a majority vote of voting delegates given on a show of hand, or by a roll call vote or ballot where requested by any voting delegate present. At any meeting, unless a roll call or ballot is demanded, a declaration by the Chairman that a resolution has been "carried" or "carried unanimously" or by a particular majority or "lost" or "not carried" by a particular majority shall be conclusive evidence of the fact without proof of number or proportion of votes recorded in favour of or against the motion.*

Proposed By-Law wording:

Article IV Section 24 b)

24. VOTING

- b) *If at any meeting, a roll call or ballot is demanded it shall be taken forthwith.*
 - i) *A roll call or ballot may be demanded either before or after any vote by show of hands by any voting delegate at a meeting:*
 - ii) *The results of a roll call or ballot shall be deemed to be the final resolution of the question at which thee poll vote or ballot was demanded.*
 - iii) *A demand for a roll call or ballot may be withdrawn*

Proposed By-Law wording as amended:

Article IV Section 24 e)

24. VOTING

- e) *A Branch Member may, by means of a written proxy, submitted no later than at meeting registration, appoint a proxy holder to attend and act at a specific meeting of Members, in a manner and extent authorized by the proxy. A proxy holder must be a member of the Corporation. Proxy votes are allowable as follows:*
 - i) *Board – A Director may not carry a proxy on behalf of any voting group or other Director;*
 - ii) *Branch Members – Proxy voting shall be permitted at a ratio of two (2) proxies per attending delegate. No individual may represent by proxy more than one Branch Member other than the one to which they are affiliated;*
 - iii) *Skaters' Representative – proxy holder to be a current skater from a National Training Centre High Performance Program. Proxy voting shall be permitted at a ratio of one (1) proxy per attending skaters' representative.*

Proposed By-Law wording as amended:

Article IV Section 26 a)

26. SPECIAL MEETINGS

Special Meetings of the Corporation may be called by any four (4) Directors of the Corporation or by any group of members representing ten (10) voting delegates by delivering to the President or the Executive Director a written request to convene such a special meeting, signed by each of the four Directors or ten voting delegates and setting forth the purpose for which such a meeting is being called.

- a) *Upon receipt of such written request, the President, or the Director General by direction of the President shall send out such notices as shall be required to call a meeting of the members within five (5) working days of the request. Such notice must include the purpose and objectives, including sufficient information to allow the members to make a reasoned decision.*

Proposed By-Law wording:

Article IV Section 27 a)

27. NOTICE OF MEETINGS

- a) *Notice specifying the place, day and hour of each Annual or Special Meeting of members shall be delivered to all who are entitled to notice at least fourteen (14) days prior to the time fixed for the meeting.*

*Any meeting so called may be held at any time and for any purpose, without notice, if all members **entitled to vote** are present or represented by proxy or have waived notice of the meeting either before or after the meeting.*

Proposed By-Law wording as amended:

Article IV Section 28

28. QUORUM

*A quorum shall consist of a majority of the voting delegates. Provided a quorum is present at the commencement of the meeting, the meeting may continue even though voting delegates leaving reduce the numbers to less than a quorum. **Voting delegates** who have declared a conflict of interest shall be counted in determining the quorum.*

Proposed By-Law wording as amended:

Article IV Section 28

29. POWERS

*In addition to the powers conferred upon them by law or these regulations the **voting** delegates in attendance at a General or Special Meeting shall determine the general policies and direction of the Corporation.*

Proposed By-Law wording:

Article IV Section 30

30. CHAIR

*In the absence of the President, the members present at any meeting of members shall choose another Director as **Chair** and if no Director is present, or if all the Directors present decline to act as **Chair**, the members present shall choose **from** their numbers a **Chair**.*

Proposed By-Law wording as amended:

Article IV Section 31

31. ADJOURNMENTS

*The **Chair** may, with the consent of any meeting at which a quorum is present, or shall, if so directed by the meeting, adjourn the meeting from time to time and from place to place, but no business shall be transacted after the meeting is adjourned.*

Proposed By-Law wording:

Article V Section 32

32. COMPOSITION

The Board shall be composed of:

*President
Treasurer
Directors at Large (5)
Athlete Director*

Proposed By-Law wording:

Article V Section 33

33. SELECTION

*The President, Treasurer and five (5) Directors at Large shall be elected by the Branch voting delegates, except for the Director of the Corporation who serves as the **Athlete Director** who shall be elected by members of the national team in a process to be determined by its members.*

The election of Directors shall be held at the Annual General Meeting. Directors whose nomination is unopposed shall be declared elected by acclamation. Where more than one nomination for a specific office is received, election shall be conducted by means of ballot and the successful candidate will be determined by a simple majority.

Proposed By-Law wording:

Article V Section 35

35. DIRECTOR VACANCIES

The office of Director shall be automatically vacated:

- a) *If a director shall resign his office by delivering a written resignation to the Board or to the Board through the President or Director General;*

Proposed By-Law wording as amended:

Article V Section 36

36. REMOVAL OF DIRECTORS

*The members of the Corporation may, by resolution passed by at least two-thirds of the **votes** cast by those delegates entitled to participate in the election of Directors at an annual or special meeting of which notice specifying the intention to pass such a resolution has been given, remove any Director from office before the expiration of that Director's term of office and may elect any qualified person in his stead for the remainder of that Director's term on any of the following grounds:*

Proposed By-Law wording:

Article V Section 37

37. MEETINGS OF THE BOARD

Proposed By-Law wording:

Article V Section 37 c)

37. MEETINGS OF THE BOARD

- c) *Questions arising at any meeting of the Board shall be decided by a majority of votes of those present. In the case of an equality of votes, the Chair shall have the deciding vote. Each Director is authorized to exercise one (1) vote. Proxies are not accepted at a meeting of the Board.*

- i) *The Board may be polled by registered mail, facsimile or electronic mail for a decision of any nature to determine a course of action or financial expenditure; for such action to be undertaken or such expenditure to be made, a resolution in writing signed by a majority of the Directors is required.*

Proposed By-Law wording:

Article V Section 40

40. QUALIFICATIONS

A Director must be an individual with power under law to contract who is at least 18 years of age and a member in good standing of the Corporation within 10 days of election as Director.

Proposed By-Law wording:

Article VI Section 42 a)

42. OFFICER VACANCIES

- a) *if an Officer resigns by delivering a written resignation to the Board through the President or Director General;*

Proposed By-Law wording:

Article VI Section 45

45. DELEGATION OF DUTIES

*In the absence or inability to act **on the part** of the President or any officer of the Corporation or for any other reason that the **Directors** deem sufficient, the Directors may delegate all or any of the powers of such officer to any other officer or to any Director for the time being.*

Proposed By-Law wording as amended:

Article VI Section 46

46. REMUNERATION OF OFFICERS

Officers shall not receive any stated remuneration for their services, but they shall be entitled to be reimbursed for their traveling and other expenses properly incurred by them in connection with the affairs of the Corporation, and in attending meetings of the Corporation. Any officer who is a bona fide employee of the Corporation (whether full-time or part-time) may be paid remuneration with respect to services performed - as an employee.

Proposed By-Law wording:

Article VII Section 48

48. MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEES

*The Committees may meet for the transaction of business, adjourn and otherwise regulate their **meetings** as they think fit; provided however that a majority of members of each committee shall constitute a quorum thereof for transaction of business. Questions arising at any meeting of a committee shall be decided by a majority vote of the members present, and in the case of an equality of votes, the Chair shall have the deciding vote.*

Proposed By-Law wording as amended:

Article VII Section 50

50. REMOVAL OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

*Committee members shall be subject to removal from their duties as a committee member by a majority vote of the Committee **of which they are a member.***

Proposed By-Law wording as amended:

Article VIII Section 51

51. INDEMNITY

***Directors, Officers, and Committee Members** of the Corporation and their heirs, executors, and administrators, and estate and effects, respectively, shall, from time to time and at all times, be indemnified and saved harmless out of the funds of the Corporation, from and against:*

- a) *All costs, charges, and expenses whatsoever that such Director, Officer or Committee Member sustains or incurs in or about any action, suit or proceeding which is brought, commenced or prosecuted against them for or in respect of any act, deed matter or thing whatsoever, made done or permitted by them in or about the execution of the duties of their office; and*
- b) *All other costs, charges and expenses that such Directors, Officers or Committee Members sustains or incurs in or about or in relation to the affairs thereof, except costs, and charges and expenses as are occasioned by such member's own wilful neglect or default.*

Proposed By-Law wording as amended:

Article VIII Section 52

52. **LIMITATION OF LIABILITY**

*No **Directors, Officers or Committee Members** of the Corporation shall be liable for the acts, receipts, neglects or defaults of other **Directos, Officers, or Committee Members**, employees, or for joining in any receipt, act for conformity, or for loss, damage or expense happening to the Corporation through the insufficiency or deficiency of title to any property acquired by the Corporation, or for, or on behalf of, the Corporation, or for the insufficiency or deficiency of any security in or upon which any moneys of, or belonging to, the Corporation shall be placed out or invested, or for any loss or damage arising from bankruptcy, insolvency or tortuous act of any person, firm or corporation deposited, or for any other loss, damage or misfortune whatever which may happen in the execution of the duties of their respective office, or trust, or in relation thereto, unless the same shall happen by, or through, their own wilful act or through **such member's** own wilful neglect or default.*

Proposed By-Law wording:

Article VIII Section 53

53. **RESPONSIBILITY FOR CORPORATE ACTS**

The Directors of the Corporation shall not be under any duty or responsibility in respect of any contract, act or transaction whether or not made, done, or entered into, in the name, or on behalf of, the Corporation, except such as shall have been submitted to and authorized, or approved by, the Board

Delete existing Article VIII Section 54 and replace with

Article VIII Section 54

54. **INSURANCE**

The Corporation may purchase and maintain such insurance for the benefit of its Directors, Officers and Committee Members as the Board may from time to time determine.

Motion: To accept all proposed By-Law changes.

Moved by: Ted Houghton; Second by: Doug Hynne

CARRIED

Motion: To amend Sections 1 f), 2, 16, 20 b), 24 a), 24 e) iii), 26 a), 28, 29, 31, 36, 46, 50, 51 and 52 as captured by the recorder.

Moved by: Sean Maw; Second by: Stephen Arnold

CARRIED

2) SPECIFIC PROCEDURE AND REGULATIONS AMENDMENT

a) Be it resolved that the Procedures and Regulations of Speed Skating Canada be amended as follows:

Proposed Procedures and Regulations wording:

Article VII Section VII-101

VII-101 Committee Composition – Short Track

The Short Track High Performance Committee will be composed of all national program coaches at National Training Centres – Montreal and Calgary; one current National or Development Team skater from each National Training Centre; and 3 members at large elected by the delegates at the Annual General Meeting. In the event that an athlete representative is not available to attend a scheduled meeting they may nominate a substitute from the respective National Training Centre. The HPC can invite other coaches, athletes or appropriate contributors to attend a scheduled meeting however these persons have no voting rights on the Committee.

Motion: To accept the changes to VII-101 as proposed.

Moved by: Jean-François Monette; Second by: Maurice Legros

CARRIED

b) Be it resolved that the Procedures and Regulations of Speed Skating Canada be amended as follows:

Proposed Procedures and Regulations wording:

Article VII Section VII-100

VII-100 Committee Composition – Long Track

The Long Track High Performance Committee will be composed of all national program coaches at National Training Centres – Sainte-Foy and Calgary; one current National or Development Team skater from each National Training Centre; and 3 members at large elected by the delegates at the Annual General Meeting. In the event that an athlete representative is not available to attend a scheduled meeting they may nominate a substitute from the respective National Training Centre. The HPC can invite other coaches, athletes or appropriate contributors to attend a scheduled meeting however these persons have no voting rights on the Committee.

Motion: To accept the changes to VII-100 as proposed.

Moved by: Kim Weger; Second by: Peggy Poole

CARRIED

c) Be it resolved that the Procedures and Regulations of Speed Skating Canada be amended as follows:

Proposed Procedures and Regulations wording:

II-100 Budgeting

The Board shall ensure that appropriate guidelines are established to allow the High Performance, Competitions Development, Coaching Development, Officials Development and the Club and Membership Development Committees to prepare and submit their budget in a timely fashion.

Proposed Procedures and Regulations wording:

II-106 Budget Reallocation

SSC presently works under a system of responsibility budgeting, whereby the individuals responsible for the expense of funds are also responsible for ensuring that the year's expenses do not exceed the amount budgeted.

*SSC is divided into **six (6)** areas of responsibility, delineated by program, those being:*

*High Performance - Short Track
High Performance - Long Track
Competitions Development
Coaching Development
Officials Development
Club and Membership Development*

Each of these program areas has a Chair who is responsible (with the input of their respective committee) for budget maintenance.

*The budgets for the **six (6)** areas are developed at the committee level, based upon the Policy and Procedures of the Corporation, and brought to the Board of Directors for approval. Once the Board has approved the program budgets, there should be no interference in the program budgets by the Board of Directors (excepting the possibility of exogenous variables). This dictum is based upon the management principle that states, "when agreement is reached, the budget becomes a commitment between the Board and the program committee. The committee is to accomplish the planned objectives within the spending limits specified in the budget, and the Board is committed to regarding such an accomplishment as representing satisfactory performance".*

Proposed Procedures and Regulations wording:

V-108 Committee Ineligibility

A member of the Board of Directors shall not be eligible to be appointed to any of the Competitions Development, Coaching Development, Officials Development, Club and Membership Development, Short Track High Performance or Long Track High Performance Committees.

Proposed Procedures and Regulations wording:

VII-200 Composition

The composition of each of the Competitions Development Committee (Domestic), the Coaching Development Committee, the Officials Development Committee and the Club and Membership Development Committee shall be the following:

- 1 member named by the Far West (Yukon, British Columbia)*
- 1 member named by the West (Northwest Territories, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba)*
- 1 member named by Central (Ontario & Nunavut)*
- 1 member named by Quebec*
- 1 member named by the Atlantic (New Brunswick, P.E.I., Nova Scotia, Newfoundland)*

Proposed Procedures and Regulations wording:

VII-300 Composition

Section to be removed

Proposed Procedures and Regulations wording:

VII-301 Term of Office

Section to be removed

Proposed Procedures and Regulations wording:

VII-302 Terms of Reference

Section to be removed

Proposed Procedures and Regulations wording as amended:

VIII-100 - Risk Management

The President shall, with respect to the SSC program of risk management, ensure that the following shall be complied with:

1. *Members of the Board, Committees and SSC employees shall be protected from personal liability for any actions they take in the legal and ethical conduct of their duties on behalf of the Association.*
2. *Adequate insurance policies and related coverage shall be maintained which limit the Association's liability in several areas including but not restricted to the following:*

*injury to participants
injury to third parties
damage to office contents
allegations of wrong doing*

3. *No insurance coverage shall be terminated without having replacement coverage which offers equal or greater protection immediately in effect upon such termination unless such termination has been prudently considered and approved by the Directors.*

*An annual Risk Management **report and update on the SSC Risk registry and work plan** shall be presented to the Board which will include the current status of insurance coverage, any recommendations for modifying the coverage and the implications of any such modifications.*

Motion: To consider as a single motion and to approve the proposed changes to II-100, II-106, V-108, VII-200, VII-300, VII-301, VII-302 and VIII-100.

Moved by: Doug Hynne; Second by: Glenn Holmes **CARRIED**

Motion: To amend VIII-100 1. to include SSC employees.

Moved by: Jim Connolly; Second by: Todd Landon **CARRIED**

b) 2006 Recommendations

A handout providing status and/or actions taken on recommendations from the 2006 AGM was available at the door.

c) 2007 Recommendations

No discussion took place.

d) VANOC/City of Richmond Presentation

Magnus Enfeldt and Gerry De Cicco presented information of the planning for the 2010 Olympics Games.

e) OIOC Presentation

Alice Humeny provided a presentation on the Olympic Oval Organizing Committee.

14. Announce Site of the 2008 AGM

Gilles Dufour announced that the 2008 Speed Skating Canada AGM will take place in Quebec City.

15. Announce Site of the 2009 AGM

Sue Spencer announced that the 2009 Speed Skating Canada AGM will take place in Richmond, British Columbia.

16. Motions of Thanks

Brian Bunney proposed a motion of thanks to the following individuals and organizations:

To the AGM Organizing Committee for their excellent plans for the weekend and their contribution;

To all the local sponsors and to John Sands and Associates Printing,

To all of our major sponsors: Bell, Sports Canada, HBC, ING, General Mills, Timex, Descente, Auclair, CBC/SRC, Adidas Eyewear, Usana.

To all of our suppliers, Descente, Bauer, Paris Gloves, CBC/SRC, Adidas Eyewear, Oakly;

To the National Office staff for their assistance throughout the year and at this AGM;

To the skaters' representatives for their assistance during the year and at this AGM;

To the staff and committees of the National Training centers for their care and assistance to our skaters;

To the committee chairs, for their contribution throughout the year;

To the Olympic Oval Organizing Committee for their expertise in organizing international competitions and the past years World Cup Finale;

To the Short Track World Cup Organizing Committees of Chicoutimi and Montreal for the excellent World Cup competitions which they hosted;

To the Board of Directors for their contribution to this AGM and the many hours they contribute throughout the year;

To the Calgary Olympic Oval for their contribution to our success;

To the Calgary Olympic Development Association and the Canadian Olympic Committee;

To Heritage Canada and Ian Dalling for its continued financial support and advice;

To the delegates, for their contributions at this AGM;

And most importantly, to the skaters and coaches of whom we are very proud for the excellent performances throughout the season;

**Motion: To express gratitude to all mentioned above.
Moved by: Ann Evans; Seconded by: Cynthia Onions**

CARRIED

Brian Bunney expressed thanks to Wendy Walker, Nicole Deering and ASSA as well as to Jennifer Conway in particular of Speed Skating Canada's Staff for all their efforts in organizing the 120th AGM. It has been a huge success.

Brian Bunney announced that Lee McGreish will be stepping down from the Board of Directors after 11 years of service as a Director. Brian expressed gratitude to Lee for his commitment, time and effort towards SSC and speed skating in Canada.

Motion: To express gratitude and thank you to Lee McGreish for all his devoted time with SSC.

Moved by: Brian Bunney; Second by: Doug Hynne

CARRIED

Lee McGreish expressed his gratitude and thanks to everybody in attendance.

17. Adjournment of meeting

Motion: To Adjourn the 120th Speed Skating Canada AGM.

Move by: Ted Houghton; Second by: Sue Spencer

CARRIED

Brian Bunney adjourned the meeting at 11:55 AM.

Approved: June 14, 2008



President



Director General