



135<sup>th</sup> Formal Annual General Meeting  
Saturday, June 18, 2022  
Quebec City, QC, 9:00am ET

## In Attendance

### Board

Blair Carbert	President
Danielle Daigle	Vice President
André Beaulieu	Treasurer
Dave McQuaid	Director
Jean Pichette	Director
Mathieu Bernier	Athlete Director

### SSC Staff

Susan Auch	Chief Executive Officer - Virtual
Alain Brouillette	Manager, Marketing and Communications
Jon Cavar	Manager, Sport Pathway
Nicole Espenant	Director, Business and Member Development – Virtual
Shana Jean	Coordinator, High Performance Short Track
Alicia Krywiak	Senior Coordinator, Special Projects
Amra Kubat	Coordinator, Marketing and Engagement
Terry Lockhart	Director, Finance and Corporate Services - Virtual
Jill Lynch	Senior Coordinator, Events and Partnerships
Tyler Mulcock	Coordinator, High Performance, Long Track
Jessica Price	Coordinator, Sport Development
Alexandra Proulx	Coordinator, Safe Sport and Inclusion
Marc Schryburt	Director, High Performance Short Track
Katherine Strong	Senior Coordinator, Leadership and Operations
Mark Wild	Director, High Performance Long Track (Interim)

### Delegates

Maddison Pearman	Athlete Representative, NextGen – Long Track
Courtney Sarault	Athlete Representative, National Team Short Track
Lorelie St. Rose	Alberta Speed Skating Association
Kari Rae	British Columbia Speed Skating Association
Scott Stewart	British Columbia Speed Skating Association
Valerie Linton	British Columbia Speed Skating Association
Sheila McGinn	Dartmouth Crossing Speed Skating Club
Caroline Lachance	Patinage de Vitesse Québec
Stéphane Bronsard	Patinage de Vitesse Québec
Danielle Bédard	Patinage de Vitesse Québec
Régent Gravel	Patinage de Vitesse Québec
André Grenier	Patinage de Vitesse Québec
Nathalie Ouellette	Patinage de Vitesse Québec
Robert Tremblay	Patinage de Vitesse Québec
Michel Lévesque	Patinage de Vitesse Québec
Maryse Poudrier	Fédération de Patinage de Vitesse du Québec
Scott Van Horne	Speed Skating Manitoba
Elizabeth W. Derraugh	Speed Skating Manitoba
Jodie Pellissey	Speed Skating Northwest Territories - Virtual
Douglas Duncan	Ontario Speed Skating Association
Elizabeth Migneron	Ontario Speed Skating Association
Jordan St. Onge	Saskatchewan Amateur Speed Skating Association
Tim Comfort	Saskatchewan Amateur Speed Skating Association
Chris Veeman	Saskatchewan Amateur Speed Skating Association
Paula Arruda	Speed Skate Nova Scotia



Eric Reynard                      Speed Skate PEI  
 Michael Lauer                    Yukon Amateur Speed Skating Association

**Guests/Observers**

Trevis Boyd	ISU Official
Kerry Dankers	Olympic Oval – Calgary
Mark Messer	Olympic Oval – Calgary
Tyler Derraugh	Athlete Pathway
Nicole Garrido	Richmond Oval
Aimée Coté	Sheffe Consulting
Megan Foster	Sheffe Consulting
Nora Sheffe	Sheffe Consulting

**1. Welcome/Call to Order**

Blair welcomed everyone to the second virtual edition of Speed Skating Canada’s Annual General Meeting and formally called the 135<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of Speed Skating Canada to order.

Blair noted that this is the first time that our Annual General Meeting has taken place in person since we assembled in Winnipeg in 2019. Blair reflected on the past 2021-22 season and our Olympic athletes, who made Canada immensely proud by their on-ice performances, and off-ice professionalism in Beijing. Blair thanked everyone from coaches, officials and volunteers at every level, who continued to be creative and adaptable in delivering programming and events during an ongoing pandemic. To the staff and Board members at SSC, PTSOs, clubs and training centers across the country, who rose to the occasion when presented with both challenges and opportunities.

Blair introduced the outgoing Speed Skating Canada Board of Directors from the 2021-22 season

Blair Carbert	President
Danielle Daigle	Vice President
André Beaulieu	Treasurer
Dave McQuaid	Director
Jean Pichette	Director
Geri McCuish	Director
Lyn Radford	Director
Mathieu Bernier	Athlete Director

The following list of voting delegates attendance was confirmed.

PTSO	Delegate	Votes
Alberta	Lorelei St. Rose	4
British Columbia	Kari Rae, Scott Stewart	5
Manitoba	Scott Van Horne	3
Northwest Territories	Jodie Pellissey - Virtual	2
Nova Scotia	Paula Arruda	3
Ontario	Douglas Duncan	6
Prince Edward Island	Eric Reynard	2
Québec	Caroline Lachance, Maryse Poudrier, Stephane Bronsard	13
Saskatchewan	Chris Veeman, Jordan St Onge, Tim Comfort	3
Yukon	Michael Lauer	2
Athlete Representatives	Maddison Pearman, Courtney Sarault	2
<b>total</b>		<b>45</b>



The following motions were approved.

## 2. Consent Agenda

### 2.1 Approval of the 135<sup>th</sup> AGM Agenda

**Motion:** to approve the 134<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting Agenda

**Moved:** Scott Stewart

**Second:** Régent Gravel

**Motion: Approved**

### 2.2 Approval of the 134<sup>th</sup> AGM Minutes

**Motion:** to approve the 134<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting Minutes

**Moved:** Kari Rae

**Second:** Paula Arruda

**Motion: Approved**

## 3. CEO's Welcome

Susan addressed the members virtually and noted that SSC has put a priority on holistic skater development, significant progress in updating our athlete development and competition pathways by adding a strong emphasis on social and intellectual skill development. SSC invested in revitalizing its sport's public image, through a new website, social media content development, and an exciting project to align PTSO brands with our national identity. SSC renewed its focus on safe sport and inclusion, with the new Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion policy to ensure a welcoming environment for all within our sport. Susan concluded noting that now is the time to build on our accomplishments from the past and look ahead at a bright future for speed skating in Canada.

## 4. Finance Report

### 4.1 2021-21 Financial Highlights and Audited Financials

André presented financial highlights from 2021-22, including revenue and expense 10-year trends, breakdown of sport development and special projects. An update on the reserved (unrestricted net assets) with comparative 5 year trends for reserves were provided. audited financial statements, reporting on the revenues and expenses to the group

André presented the 2021-22 Audited Financials to the delegates

**Motion to acknowledge receipt of the 2021-22 Audited Financial Statements as presented.**

Moved: Maryse Poudrier

Second: Michael Lauer

**Motion: Approved**

### 4.2 Presentation of the 2022-2023 Budget

André presented the 2022-2023 approved budget to the members and responded to questions from the group.

**Motion to acknowledge receipt of the 2022-23 Budget as presented.**



Moved: Jordan St. Onge  
Second: Maryse Poudrier

**Motion: Approved**

#### **4.3 Recommendation and Approval of Auditors**

André called for a motion to approve Baker Tilly as the auditors

**Motion to appoint Baker Tilly as the auditors for the 2022-23 fiscal year.**

Moved: Jordan St. Onge  
Second: Caroline Lachance

**Motion: Approved**

#### **6. Annual Reports**

Blair provided highlights from some of our key success noted in our Annual Report which was circulated in advance of the meeting and encouraged everyone to read through the full document as it is always inspiring to review our progress and successes.

**Motion to acknowledge receipt of the Annual Report.**

Moved: Paula Arruda  
Second: Michael Lauer

**Motion: Approved**

#### **6. Elections 2021-22 Board of Directors**

André updated the members on the process and timeline of the nomination for the current positions available. Nine (9) candidates were interviewed, following the interview process three (3) candidates withdrew their names for various reasons.

At the conclusion of this process, we have one (1) candidate for the President position and five (5) candidates for the three (3) Director positions as follows.

##### **Election Category 1 – President (2 Year Term)**

Blair Carbert

##### **Election Category 2 – Directors (2 Year Term) 3 Positions**

Steve Côté – Quebec  
Kerry Dankers – Alberta  
Dave McQuaid – British Columbia  
Wayne Kainu – Alberta  
Alexander Schouten – Alberta

Each candidate was provided with the opportunity to address the delegates in person or via pre recorded videos.

The election via paper ballots being followed with Nora Sheff and Megan Foster, acting as our scrutineer for the vote.

**Motion: to appoint Nora Sheffe and Megan Foster as the scrutineers for the voting process**



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Moved: Kari Rae  
Second: Michael Lauer

**Motion: Approved**

Following the voting process the successful candidates were announced as follows.

**Election Category 1 – President (2 Year Term)**

Blair Carbert

**Election Category 2 – Directors (2 Year Term) 3 Positions**

Steve Coté – Quebec

Dave McQuaid – British Columbia

Wayne Kainu – Alberta

**Motion to have Nora Sheffe and Megan Foster destroy the ballots.**

Moved: Jordan St. Onge  
Second: Douglas Duncan

**Motion: Approved**

André announced the Speed Skating Canada Board of Directors for the 2022-23 season

- **President** – Blair Carbert
- **Vice President** – Danielle Daigle
- **Treasurer** – André Beaulieu
- **Directors** – Dave McQuaid, Jean Pichette, Steve Coté and Wayne Kainu

As per SSC By-Law 4.5, the National and NextGen Team athletes, through their elected Athlete Representatives, have selected Mathieu Bernier as Athlete Director to the Board of Directors for the 2022-23 season.

**7. Memoriam/Recognition**

It is a practice at the Annual General Meeting to take a moment of silence for those members who have passed on over the last year.

- Elizabeth Kemp (née Wild) 1982-2021
- Tom Read 1949-2022
- Donald Ego 1933-2022
- Julie Desmarais 1957-2022

In recognition SSC offered a few words of thanks to members of our community whose time in their current roles is coming to an end.

- Geri McCuish – SSC Director
- Lyn Radford – SSC Director
- Ron Weiser – Speed Skating Quebec President
- Lanita Bracha – Speed Skating Sask President
- Malcolm Conly – Speed Skating Sask Board member
- Ernie Overland – Ontario Speed Skating Association Member/Coach
- Marg Oliviera – Ontario Speed Skating Association Board member

**8. 2023 AGM Site**



Blair noted that while we aren't done celebrating in Quebec City quite yet, SSC's team is already looking ahead to planning for the next years 2023 Congress and AGM. The SSC Board and Staff will be considering possible PTSO hosts. Should you wish your province or territory to be considered for this opportunity, please contact Katherine Strong by the end of June.

### 9. Motion of Thanks

Blair called for a motion of thanks for the following individuals and organizations;

- All our sponsors and suppliers including Intact Insurance, Descente and Auclair.
- Our funding and sport partners including Sport Canada, Own the Podium, the Canadian Olympic Committee, the Canadian Sport Institute - Calgary and *Institut national de sport - Montreal*, and the Coaching Association of Canada.
- We thank our partners at the Olympic Oval, the Ville de Montreal and Ville de Quebec, the Centre de glaces Intact Assurance, and the International Skating Union for their support, confidence and great working relationship.
- Our appreciation for the coaching and support staff at the three national training centers for long and short track.
- All the coaches, officials and volunteers who work in the sport of speed skating at the community, grassroots level and up to the national and international level.
- Our National Program athletes, including Athlete Representatives Maddison Pearman and Courtney Sarault who joined us today.
- Our Speed Skating Canada staff who work tirelessly to push our sport faster forward. In addition to their efforts year-round, I would like to recognize the countless hours that were put into bringing us together for the valuable learning and networking opportunities at this AGM & Congress.
- Particular attention to Jill Lynch and Alain Brouillette who contributed so much this week in getting ready for these meetings. And a special thank you to Katherine Strong, without shoes hard work and stick-handling this event simply could not have happened
- To our colleagues from Patinage Vitesse Quebec, for their collaboration as hosts of this fantastic AGM & Congress.
- To all of you, for participating in our 135th AGM.

**Motion of thanks to individuals and organizations who support Speed Skating Canada.**

Moved: Jodie Pellissey  
Second: Régent Gravel

**Motion: Approved**

### 10. Adjournment

Blair called for a motion to adjourn the 135th Annual General Meeting.

**Motion to adjourn the 135th Annual General Meeting.**

Moved: Caroline Lachance  
Second: Maryse Poudrier

**Motion: Approved**