**Provincial Women’s Softball Association (PWSA)**

**Annual General Meeting Minutes**

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| Date: | Saturday, November 26th, 2016 |
| Time: | 1:00pm |
| Place: | Holiday Inn & Suites Oakville @ Bronte |

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| **Item** | **Description** | | |
| 1 | Call to Order @ 1:08pm | | |
| 2 | Dedication – Moment of Silence | | |
| 3. | Introduction of Board of Directors and Guests  The following persons were present:  ~ J. Snook, Deputy Provincial Umpire-in-Chief  ~ P. Warder, Historian for CNE Old Timers  ~ L. Thompson, PWSA Life Member  ~ W. Cathcart, Former ED for Softball Ontario | | |
| 4. | Distribution of Voting Ballots | | |
| 5. | Appointment of Sergeant at Arms | | |
| 6. | Rules of Assembly  ~ Outlined on page 48 in PWSA Constitution and By-Laws | | |
| 7. | Appointment of Scrutineers  ~ John Snook  ~ Paula Warder  ~ Wendy Cathcart | | |
| 8. | Establishment of Voting Power  ~ 24 voting power, 16 voting power required for Bylaws & 12 voting power required for Operating Rules | | |
| 9. | Minutes of 2015 AGM  ~ J. Gray-Baker read the minutes from the 2015 PWSA AGM.  The Minutes of 2015 AGM was approved by R. Drouillard, Seconded by W. Gray-Baker.    **Carried** | | |
| 10. | Annual Correspondence  ~ Letter of Thanks from Canadian Cancer Society for donation received.  The Annual Correspondence was approved by C. Bilinski, Seconded by D. Jones  **Carried** | | |
| 11. | Annual Financial Report  ~ C. Bilinski presented the Annual Financial Report.  The Annual Financial report was approved by C. Bilinski. Seconded by D. McConnell    **Carried** | | |
| 12. | President’s Address  ~ D. Malisani provided season highlights:  ~ Good season – great weather with exception of Bantam II Grands  ~ Issued lots of suspensions (42 in total); seeing increase in gravity of the suspensions. One involved RCMP at Canadians  ~ Increase in our membership #s by 17 from last year  ~ National Women’s team won Bronze in BC at World Cup. National Junior Men’s team won Bronze @ WBSC  ~ Canada Summer Games will be held August 3rd – 15th in Winnipeg  ~ Discussed Ministry changes:  ~ Sport Recognition Policy will impact funding for events such as Quest for Gold, Canada Summer Games  ~ These changes are reflective in the motions being presented today  ~ Focus is on Governance – ensuring PSO/MSO have policies, by-laws & constitution in place  ~ Will start to see other changes as result of SRP ie. ‘One-off’ teams (not part of an association) – will not be eligible to be members  ~ Reviewed motions that were passed at the Softball Canada AGM  The President’s Address Report was approved by J. Hartley. Seconded by J. Gray-Baker    **Carried** | | |
| 13. | Amendments to PWSA Constitution and By-Laws | | |
| **By-Law Motions** | **Moved by** | **Passed/Not Passed** |
| Motion #1 | M. Murphy | Carried |
| Motion #2  Amendment Moved by T. Peros, Seconded by L. Thompson | J. Hartley | Carried  (as amended) |
| Motion #3  Amendment moved by M. Murphy, Seconded by J. Hartley | M. Murphy | Carried  (as amended) |
| Motion #4 | D. McConnell | Carried |
| Motion #5  Amendment moved by M. Murphy, Seconded by D. Jones | M. Murphy | Carried  (as amended) |
| Motion #6 | M. Murphy | Carried |
| Motion #7 | D. Jones | Carried |
| **Operating Rules Motions** | **Moved by** | **Passed/Not Passed** |
| Motion *New*  With motion – new players from multiple teams – only require one permit | C. Bilinski | Carried |
| Motion #1 | C. Bilinski | Withdrawn |
| Motion #2 | C. Bilinski | Withdrawn |
| Motion #3 | C. Bilinski | Withdrawn |
| Motion #4  Amendment moved by J. Gray-Baker, Seconded by C. Bilinski | M. Murphy | Carried |
| Motion #5 | D. Jones | Withdrawn |
| Motion #6  ~ Discussion on where or to whom the money goes to – it goes to the Sheldon Kennedy foundation  ~ Goal of instituting program – create awareness and change in culture. Not a miracle solution  ~ T. Peros provided feedback from Oakville Association – would like to have fees built into association.  ~ Respect in Sport program is mandatory in SK & MB. Sport MB has said program has made a difference. | M. Murphy | Carried |
| Motion #7  ~ Discussion on how this will be managed  ~ Discussion on where additional player would come from. Cannot pull from Select players as it will make them ineligible to play Select  ~ Expectation that the pickup player(s) would be released when the injured player returns to play | T. Peros | Carried  (as amended) |
| Motion #8 | D. Murray | Carried |
| Motion #9 | C. Bilinski | Withdrawn |
| Motion #10 | J. Hartley | Carried |
| Motion #11 | M. Le Rouzes | Defeated |
| Motion #12 | M. Le Rouzes | Carried  (as amended) |
| Motion #13 | M. Le Rouzes | Defeated |
| Motion #14  ~ Noted of housekeeping item to include “province of Ontario” | J. Hartley | Carried  (as amended) |
| Motion #15 | D. Jones | Carried  (as amended) |
| Motion #16  ~ Asked for PWSA to make available a template of what is acceptable | M. Murphy | Carried |
| 14. | Election of 2017 Board of Directors  ~ L. Turton advised that Denise Elizuk & Kathy Noblett names are to be removed  Motion moved by W. Gray-Baker Seconded by M. Murphy that the following individuals be elected to the PWSA Board of Directors for 2017:  ~ D. Malisani, P. Sparling, C. Bilinski, J. Gray-Baker, T. Bannister, J. Hartley, D. Jones, D. McConnell, J. Roffey, D. Mills, and L. Vassos  **Carried** | | |
| 15. | Adoption of Annual Reports  ~ Annual Reports can be found in the AGM booklet.  Adoption of the Annual Reports was moved by T. Peros, Seconded by J. Scalia  **Carried** | | |
| 16. | Verbal Reports  a) Softball Canada – written report available to member delegates.  ~ Motion passed at AGM – host hotel bond is no longer required. J. Scalia expressed concern that without bond; will not be able to make money (with increase in fees). He requested that his feedback be taken back to SC  b) Eastern Canadian – U14 will be held in Eastern Ontario, U16 – PEI, U18 – NS and Intermediate II – QC  c) Western Canadians – Dates not yet communicated | | |
| 17. | New Business   1. Bids for 2017 Play-Offs – Have received a number of bid requests to-date. Still looking for hosts. Deadline due date was November 1st 2. Delegates Business – nothing noted 3. Appointment of an auditor   Moved by D. Jones, Seconded by J. Hartley that Douglas R. Freeman be appointed the Financial auditor for the 2017 season.  **Carried** | | |
| 18. | Adjournment  Moved by T. Peros, Seconded by D. Murray to adjourn the 2016 PWSA AGM.  **Carried** | | |

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| **Minute taker:** | Janet Gray-Baker, PWSA Secretary |