

CANADIAN BATON TWIRLING FEDERATION

2007 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Travelodge South Hotel - Regina, Saskatchewan
Saturday, July 7, 2007

MINUTES

WELCOME

President Gail Ashcroft opened the meeting at 7:40 pm and welcomed all Board members and general members in attendance. Several items were added to this agenda – see below.

ROLL CALL OF VOTING DELEGATES

Gail Ashcroft	President
Loranne Meek	1 st Vice-President
Sandra Watt	2 nd Vice-President
Rikki Haynes	Treasurer
Karen Gratton	Technical Chair
Lucinda McMaster	Judges Rep
Denise BeWolff	BC Chair
Bonnie Brinker	AB Chair
Lisa Wilde	SK Chair
Solange St. Coeur	NB Chair

Regrets:

Brenda Bennett, Coaches Rep
Beth Kostur, Athletes Rep
Cyndy Park, MB Chair
Kim Genton, ON President

Gail acknowledged the following CBTF members in attendance:
Candy Tedford, Kim Korsas, Brenda Arsenault-LeBlanc, Stephanie Middleton,
Ron Kopas, Inga McLean and Beth Jamieson.

APPROVAL OF 2006 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

MOTION #1

Loranne moved to accept the minutes of the 2006 Annual General Meeting as recorded and distributed.

Seconded by: Lisa
In Favor: 8
Against: 0
Abstain: 1

CARRIED

FINANCIAL REPORT

Rikki reviewed the financial status of CBTF for the 06-07 year. Noted that CBTF needs to get audited financial statements done as soon as possible.

MOTION #2

Rikki moved that the Financial Report for the year 2006-1007 and 2007-2008 year to date be accepted as presented.

Seconded by: Bonnie

In Favor: 9

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

CARRIED

REPORTS

Several written reports were available to all in attendance. Board members who were present gave a brief verbal summary of their reports.

1st Vice-President, Lorraine, presented a verbal report on the following portfolios:

CBTF Awards – see listing below for 2007 winners

Merchandise – did not order new items; sold well at Canadians

Twirl-a-Thons – raised approximately \$3200 – would like to see these continue

Toonie Tosses – very popular at all competitions – would like to see these continue

New Provinces – has made a lot of progress getting Nova Scotia and Quebec interested in joining CBTF – Quebec is following the procedures we have in place and coming on board very soon – Nova Scotia has hundreds of twirlers – she is meeting with them in the fall – they are creating their constitution – noted that this was the last year NS athletes could register with CBTF through New Brunswick.

National Sports Recognition – we need this and need 8 provinces so, once we get NS and PQ on board, we can apply for government funding.

7-Day Canadians Pilot Project – will continue to work with Karen on this schedule – was met favorably in 2007.

Team Manager – created job description & budget for this position. Dana Peteleski has been chosen as the 2007 Manager for Worlds.

International Cup – is the Competition Director for this event.

Other Board members gave brief summaries of their written reports including:

2nd Vice-President

Membership – stands at approximately 1800 (down slightly from last year) – many thanks to Sylvia Kernohan for her valuable help re membership – cannot use old membership forms from year to year; advised provinces to make smaller batches; she is working to make them better.

Child Fitness Tax Credit - has been passed; recommended that each coach consult a tax specialist; CBTF is just providing the info to our coaches - presented a written document

Insurance – have secured a new brokerage firm for CBTF – Peter Yeh, Senior Broker – working out well.

Question: thought everyone was covered if they bought a membership?

Answer: they are covered provincially and nationally but not at a club level. See Sandi for more info.

Sandi noted that camps are considered a high-risk and insurance coverage is higher. She will provide more info to the provinces on this topic.

Privacy and Technology Commissions (set up in the fall 06) – have not been able to do anything due to Worlds preparation – will get back to them after Worlds.

Technical – see written report – thanked SBTA for all their work on the Canadians – GREAT JOB!!

Judges Rep – see written report

Coaches Rep – see attached

BC Chair – membership is growing – much focus on promotion & development

AB Chair – see written report

SK Chair – verbal report – highlighted that there is a new program funded by SBTA to provide gym time for all athletes in Regina & Saskatoon

MB – no report

ON – see written report

NB – see written report

Sanction Officer – see written report

Group Rep – no report

SDP Rep – see written report – encourages all provinces to participate!

Manuals – see written report

CBTF Music – see written report – new CD was available in the fall (free 1 per province)

Video Library – no report

NEW BUSINESS

A. CBTF By-Law Amendments

The first Amendment pertained to limiting the number of terms a CBTF Executive member could hold one specific position.

MOTION #3

Lisa moved to amend CBTF By-Law Article E, Section #3 Election and Appointment, Part 3.1 as follows:

“The afore-mentioned Officers be elected by secret ballot of the Directors entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting of the Federation, and each Officer shall hold office for two (2) terms to a maximum of two, two-year terms in any one position. If, at the conclusion of the two completed terms, no other candidate runs for a specific position, the Directors may appoint the out-going person back into the same position for one more two-year term or until such time as another candidate is found, whether through appointment or election.”

Seconded by: Rikki
In Favor: 3
Against: 4
Abstain: 2

DEFEATED

The second Amendment pertained to implementing an “alternating” election process that would see certain positions elected on even-numbered years and others on odd-numbered years. The intent would be to maintain continuity at the Executive level.

MOTION #4

Loranne moved that the following statement be added to CBTF By-law Article E, Section 3 Election and Appointment as follows:

“3.5 The aforementioned Officers shall be elected using an alternating-year process as follows:

Odd-numbered years – President, 2nd Vice-President, Secretary

Even-numbered years – 1st Vice-President, Treasurer, Technical Chairperson”

Seconded by: Sandi
In Favor: 9
Against: 0
Abstain: 0

CARRIED

B. General Membership Concerns

None were presented at this time.

OTHER

A. Canadians 2008

New Brunswick has indicated that they would like to host the 2008 Canadians in Moncton at the same facility as in 2002.

MOTION #5

Sandi moved that the New Brunswick's application to host the 2008 Canadian Team Trials and Championships be accepted.

Seconded by: Lorraine

In Favor: 9

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

CARRIED

B. Vacant Position – CBTF Secretary

Gail requested that this be addressed after Worlds – some people have expressed interest to her.

C. Fall Board Meeting

This meeting will be held in Calgary, AB the weekend of November 9, 10 & 11, 2007. Bonnie is willing to arrange for the meeting room and provide hotel information.

D. Saskatchewan – Canadians 2007

Have asked to be considered for funding rebate should the Canadians realize a profit. This cannot be decided until Worlds are over.

E. CBTF Website

Rikki noted that the host and domain contract expires in July 2007. This will be discussed at the Fall Board Meeting (or sooner, if possible).

F. CBTF Annual Awards

The winners of the 2007 Awards are:

Executive of the Year – Ontario

Volunteer(s) of the Year – The 2007 Worlds Organizing Committee

Lifetime Achievement – Tina Larson

Honorary Member – *(no recipient)*

Junior Challenge Cup – Kiera West

Senior Challenge Cup – Danielle Priel

Group Challenge Cup – Camaros

Junior Athlete of the Year (2006) – Jenna Jemieff

Senior Athlete of the Year (2006) – Larissa Dearing

Senior Male Athlete of the Year (2006) – Cory Archer

Overall Athlete of the Year (2006) – Jenna Jemieff

G. Ratification of Actions

MOTION #6

Lisa moved that the actions of the CBTF Executive, Board of Directors and Technical Committee for the year 2006-2007 be ratified.

Seconded by: Sandi

In Favor: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 1 (Rikki)

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

Gail extended her sincere appreciation to all CBTF members for all the work done over the past year and declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 9:30 pm.

MOTION #7

Loranne moved to adjourn the 2007 CBTF Annual General Meeting.

CARRIED

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