

Minutes from 2020 Annual General Meeting Tuesday, November 24, 2020 First ever Virtual Meeting

Attendance: 27 members, 27 valid voters, 3 non-members

Elected members of the Executive Committee:

Jonathan Markiewicz
Dishko Hristov
Rodney Bushey
Rick Costa
Catherine Renaud
Mitch Ferguson
Ligeo Kattackal
Olga Colgue

Regrets

Bill Dworsky

Appointed Members of the Executive Committee:

Lisa Artuso
Frédéric Backach-Lord
Christopher White

Other PCASA voting members:

Alex Martineau
Carmen Cloetta
Christophe Leconte
Craig Buchanan
David Swaminathan
Graham Neysmith
Guillaume Danis
Joshua Fireman
Kathay Carson
Mara Welch
Marilyn Lamontagne
Melissa Grynspan
Nick Von Roretz
Olav Kappert
Peter MacDonell
Tony Ziukas

Non-voting attendees:

Vicky Barnes (City of Pointe-Claire)
Mark Israel (City of Pointe-Claire)
Nancy Kornechook (Secretary)

Minutes were taken by Nancy Kornechook.

1. Opening of the 2020 Annual General Meeting

Meeting called to order – 19:39

The meeting was chaired by Jonathan Markiewicz, (PCASA) President.

19:43 Motion to open the AGM by Olav Kappert. The motion was seconded by Dishko Hristov. Majority of 18 hands to open meeting.

The annual report for 2020 was distributed to all present.

2. Review and Approval of the Agenda for the 2020 Annual General Meeting

A Motion to approve the agenda was made by Mara Welch and it was seconded by Olav Kappert. The agenda was approved with a majority of 18 hands.

3. Review and Approval of the Minutes for the 2019 Annual General Meeting

The minutes of the 2019 Annual General Meeting (AGM) were reviewed.

Tony Ziukas made a motion to approve the minutes from the 2019 AGM and this motion was seconded by Olav Kappert.

The minutes were approved with a majority of 18 hands.

Craig Buchanan made a motion to approve the minutes for the 2020 Special General Meeting and this motion was seconded by Tony Ziukas.

The minutes were approved with a majority of 18 hands.

4. Correspondence

There was no new correspondence to report.

5. Executive Members' Reports – only President, VP Finance and VP Technical will present their reports.

President's Report:

Successes & Highlights

Successful year considering the biggest challenge

No Covid-19 cases

City of Pointe-Claire was helpful with providing cones, signage, financing and long-term improvements for a seamless season

Online store to offer better content, easier purchases, direct shipping

Modernize and re-brand new partner and new equipment provider

New Sponsors and partners

Club Structure to include Governors – to think long term, and implement, run and facilitate production

Club Licensing program – in 3 weeks time (mid-December) will know if Provincial License will be obtained.

Families struggling but the community came together to be active and safe all summer long

Challenges

COVID-19 proved to be the biggest challenge of 2020

2021 Goals

Adding more New Sponsors and partners

Balanced budget and financial stability

Questions and comments from the floor:

Q: How will uniforms be ordered?

A: Log onto the website, online store will know their activity, you will select your items, identify team and get your proper orders in.

Q: What is the City planning for 2022?

A: TC2 and TC3 new turf

Q: How long is the contract with Inaria?

A: 3 Years

Q: Does the new partnership mean we can't wear Adidas training kit and track suits?

A: The contract says it's fine, but we want to build brand identity, we want to push and promote the new image.

Financial Report:

2018 fiscal – done by external accountants - Grant Thornton - reviewed books for 2019, Fiscal review engagement as per club licensing - 2020 fiscal review engagement performed - September 30th not completed and in review and the fiscal engagement to be provided by the end of December 2020. You can request to review and records will be made available and they can be consulted for 2018, and 2019.

The COVID-19 pandemic resulted in the Club's "normal" soccer operations being significantly disrupted. Financial implications included:

Loss of revenue

Increase in costs related to new safety protocols

Liquidity challenges

The shortened winter season, combined with the delayed start of the summer season, resulted in significant reduction of revenues by way of decreased number of registrants, and increased number of refunds and / or pro-rated credits for services not rendered.

However,

- with the tireless efforts of the Club's staff and volunteers,
- in addition to the support from the Club's sponsors and
- assistance from both federal and municipal governments,

the Club was able to efficiently and effectively manage the Club's finances.

Questions and comments from the floor:

Q: Team registration fees increase year over year?

A: Has to do with the mix of teams - not all team registration fees are the same - it is a mix issue and not about the number of participants.

Technical Report:

2020 Successes and Highlights

Olga - super help for VP micro

Hats off to the team

2020 Challenges

Complex year for educator development

Rami Haroun will be obtaining his child license

Many requirements for Club Licensing

Less memberships

Central site for training based on ages

Annual technical plan

Aspiring Educators and volunteers with coaches assigned as per the age groups

2021 GOALS

Deploy technical structure

Strengthen educator development internally

Questions and comments from the floor:

NONE

Nominating Committee

President: Jonathan Markiewicz

Governor candidates:

Ligeo Kattackal

Rick Costa

At **20:37** the Executive Committee freed the table, and the 2020 Nominating Committee took the floor. Joshua Fireman explained the process of the elections to the assembly including who is eligible to vote.

The mandate of the nominating committee ends two weeks prior to the general meeting. At that point the following nominations had been submitted to the committee (slides shown).

President – Jonathan Markiewicz

Governors (2 positions available) – Ligeo Kattackal and Rick Costa

Joshua Fireman called for the Election of the Executive Committee Members (“Election”) to commence.

Q: President Any nominations in the chat?

A: No nominations in the chat

Q: Governor any nominations in the chat?

A: No nominations in the chat

Questions and comments from the floor:

NONE

Congratulations Jonathan, Ligeo and Rick!

Election of the 2020-2021 PCASA Executive Committee

Governors – Rick Costa and Ligeo Kattackal

Nominations were opened to the chat.

No other nominations received from the chat.

Rick Costa and Ligeo Kattackal were elected by acclamation.

President – Jonathan Markiewicz

Nominations were opened to the chat.

Jonathan accepted the nomination.

Jonathan gave his speech. – Learned a lot in his first year and will continue to learn more for the upcoming two years

No Questions from the members.

Jonathan Markiewicz was elected.

Vote re: New approved Constitutional changes

Q: It's not clear role vs positions in the constitution: maybe update wording

A: Individuals can't run for more than one position, all details will be available on the website.

Thanked for their contributions:

Rodney

Mitch

Bill

Joshua Fireman made a motion to close the Annual General Meeting. The motion was seconded by Christophe Leconte and Rick Costa. It was approved with a majority of 18 hands.

Meeting Adjourned –20:52

Jonathan Markiewicz