

**Canadian Shuffleboard Congress
Annual General Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 5, 2009 @ 2:00 p.m.
Norwood Hotel, Winnipeg, MB**

1. The meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m. In attendance were:

Jamie McCrimmon	President
Rod Betker	1st Vice President
Charlene Lucas	2nd Vice President
Doreen Clark	Secretary-Treasurer

and 20 other members.

2. The following voting delegates were recognized:

V.I.S.A.	Leigh Hegan
B.C.S.A.	Susan Clark
S.A.A.	Bill Cowan
S.A.S.A.	Rick Litman
S.S.A.	Marlowe Halvorson
M.S.A.	Faye Mitchell
O.S.A.	Rico Beaulieu
E.O.S.A.	Jim Baker

Jamie advised the members that when a vote is required, only the voting delegates are able to vote, however, the voting delegates should review the issue with their charter members prior to voting. As this is an AGM, anyone can address the meeting.

3. MINUTES

Charlene Lucas read the minutes of the last General Meeting of October 6, 2008. Jamie McCrimmon asked for any omissions or corrections. Peggy McCrimmon moved that the minutes be adopted with the following change; page 3 # 8 should read Bill Parrell not Bill Pretty. Susan Clark seconded the motion.

Motion carried

4. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Doreen Clark read the Statement of Operations for 2008/2009. Charlene Lucas waived her stipend giving it back to CSC-HOF. Rod Betker certified the books after an audit. Rick Litman moved that the Statement of Operations be adopted as read. Rita McCrimmon seconded the motion.

Motion carried

5. CORRESPONDENCE

There were several item of correspondence:

Jamie did not read the correspondence word for word but gave a general overview, with most items being discussed under New Business.

A letter was received from Gordie Smith regarding BCSCA governing authority over shuffleboard in BC. Gordie asked SASK how they handle bank board verses short board. Charlene advised Gordie that they are separate from each other.

A letter was received from David Coulthard regarding Congress Constitution. David wanted to know the procedures for proposing new rule changes. Jamie advised David of the rules and did not receive anything further from him.

Various letters were received with regard to Hall of Fame nominations for this year. Tabled to new business.

Various letters received from Saskatchewan regarding suspensions. Tabled to new Business.

A letter was received from Harvey Groleau regarding video-taping some games. Jamie contacted Global TV in Winnipeg and they unfortunately were not interested because of the alcohol involved. Jamie will investigate this further for next year.

6. OLD BUSINESS:

a) Westjet

Spoke with Westjet. They have different types of promotions. The discount that they give us does not apply to "Special Promotions". Regardless of whether we get the discount, all flights should still be booked under the Conference number as we would still get credit towards a few flights. The only exception to this is flights booked under Air Miles. We still do not receive any credit for these. It may be worthwhile to re-explore this avenue to see if we can get a better deal. Jamie will look in to this.

b) Charter Requirements – Tabled to New Business

c) **CAPO Royalties** – Doreen informed the members that there weren't many sales this year which means the royalty cheque was only worth \$18.00 so we will not be receiving a cheque until 2010.

d) Website Changes and maintenance

Doreen informed the members that we will be losing the website as of the end of October. Theresa Lynk suggested that CSC try the website the Ontario team is using. It will cost CSC \$4.99 per month for the first year and \$11.88 for the following year. Jamie informed the membership that Gyrodata Services Ltd. (his employer) will donate the fees for the cost of the website each year. Thank you to Jamie for the donation. Thank you to Theresa Lynk for her guidance with the new website.

e) Expansion of our game

Unfortunately, Jamie has been unable to make it to Halifax this year. Jamie had planned on making a trip there to talk to their association about joining the Congress.

Jamie has noticed on their website that their league had suspended operations in October 2008. In June this year, a member of their league made a trip to Calgary and introduced himself to me at the Stampede Open. The gentleman's name was Derek Fraser. He expressed to Jamie that he wanted to do whatever was possible to get their league back together. He felt that any input that the CSC could put in would only help. Jamie advised him that CSC would try and help in whatever way we could. Jamie has made an attempt to contact Derek in the last month and got no answer. I will keep trying to contact him to see what the status in Halifax is and if there is anything that we may be able to help them with. It is extremely important that our current Charter members actively try and recruit new players. Jamie has been encouraged by the number of new players that have been at the tournaments that he has travelled to this year. Jamie, as well as most of the people in this room, are very passionate about our game and the only way to keep it going is to bring new people in.

f) Player conduct at Charter tournaments

It was discussed last year that host charters should be responsible for enforcing rules at any of their tournaments, and handing out any disciplinary action. We have found a loophole with this recently. There is a rule in the CSC rulebook that states that a player has the right to appeal any suspension to the CSC executive. The CSC would hear the appeal and then render a decision. After the situation that occurred this year in Saskatchewan, the question has been raised as to whether this rule should be in CSC rulebook.

There was lots of discussion around the Code of Conduct and who's responsible. It was felt that CSC can't rule on this because they aren't there. It should be the charters responsibility.

Harvey Groleau felt the rule was never challenged so it should stay – CSC oversee everything.

Leigh Hegan felt the Rules and Regs are the only thing that applied but not conduct.

Rico – Its up to the charter

Jamie referred everyone to the MSA website to use their Code of Conduct as a guideline to setting up their own charter rules.

This rule was not in the 1985 Rules and Regs but appeared in the 1995 revised Rules and Regs. Jamie is to investigate and get back to the membership next year.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

a) Hall of Fame

- i) 2009 Inductees: We had 8 nominees put forth by MSA this year that are being inducted into the hall of fame. The nominees consist of 6 players and 2 builders. There was one nominee who's name was brought forth by MSA as a builder, who doesn't meet the required criteria for induction into the HOF. The following people will be inducted – Karl Hahlweg (Player), Faye Serofin (Player), Brian Simpson (Player-Deceased), Mike Jacoby (Player), Harvey Groleau (Player), Don Heaton (Player and Builder), John Komadowski (Builder)
- ii) HOF Chair position is vacant: Jamie asked if there was someone interested in the position. There was no interest so Rick volunteered to stay on as Chairperson.

- b) Canadian Open 2010:** VISA will once again be hosting the 2010 Canadian Open at the Langford Legion, April 1-4, 2010 (Easter Weekend). Posters are available on CSC website and at the head table. Jamie McCrimmon also mentioned there are other open tournaments hosted by different charters throughout the year so please watch the CSC website for those.

Other charters have expressed interest in hosting the Cdn Open. There was lots of discussion regarding the rotation. Harvey mentioned it was established in 1998 with the intent to move around each year like the Championships does. In 1999 the first host city was Winnipeg (MSA). It then went to Vancouver (BCSA) in 2000, and Kingston (EOSA) in 2001. Victoria has been hosting since 2002.

Marlowe suggested that since each charter hosts an Open tournament that they each take a turn at hosting the Cdn Open. Everyone agreed.

Marlowe moved that the Cdn Open rotate around to the different charters replacing the provincial open tournaments for that particular year. Marlowe suggested that the order be determined by the executive.

Motion Carried

c) Host Charters for 2010 and 2011:

2010 – SASA

Jamie advised that the Radisson Hotel in Calgary has been booked to host the 2010 Canadian Championships. This is the same venue that was used in 2002. There are pamphlets available with all the hotel information. When booking the hotel rooms please be sure to let them know that you are part of the Canadian Shuffleboard Association.

2011 – BCSA

Jamie asked BCSA if they were prepared to host the 2011 Canadian Championships. Susan confirmed they will be ready.

d) Other

Charter Requirements (Tabled from old business)

There was some discussion about what to do if a charter has only 4 players and someone is unable to play. It was suggested that they could pick from their charter (guests) to play as part of the team if someone had just cause and is not able to play.

Rick Litman moved that the wording be as follows from the Charter delegation **first, if available, or the charter members**. Seconded by Mike Provencher. **Motion Carried**

7.1 In a doubles event, if a partner cannot compete or continue for cause:

- a) If the event has not commenced, the remaining partner shall select a new partner (of the same gender) from the Charter delegation **first, if available, or the charter members**.
- b) If the event has commenced, the remaining partner shall carry on by his or herself, playing both ends of the board until the game is over and then choose a member (of the same gender) from the Charter delegation **first, if available, or the charter members**. If one is not available, the Charter shall be disqualified in that event.

8. TOURNAMENT FORMAT – HOST CHARTER

Hospitality Night will be held at the Legion @ 6:00 p.m. Participants are free, others \$5.00. The volunteers will be there at 5:30 p.m. The band will play from 8:00 – 12:00 p.m.

Draw master will be Faye Mitchell and Head Judge/Referee Al Fulsher.

2 practice boards are also available at the legion and 1 board in the bar area of the hotel. If you need the rocks please see the head table.

Coffee and muffins will be available in play room at 8:30 am. For Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Participants will receive lunch for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Lunch tickets will be in your participant bags. We will break for lunch somewhere between 12 – 1. The head table will announce before we begin the round and as you finish playing you can go for lunch and the official break will be 20 minutes after the last team is finished playing.

Greg & Ralph are the drivers for the week. Approach the t-shirt or head table to book a ride.

T-shirts will be available for sale on Tuesday, \$10 for t-shirt, \$35 for gold shirts.

Confirm banquet tickets by Wednesday noon \$40 per person.

Hospitality room will be open from 2-4 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday – Room 212

Legion will be having Bud Spud on Friday \$10 (See Faye for tickets)

Poker will be held at the Legion on Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

Also CSC will be selling 50/50 tickets Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday with the draw being held after the play-offs on Friday.

9. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

(a) *Jamie McCrimmon, President declared the current executive null and void and asked the host charter to chair the elections.*

(b) *Nominations were open for President*

Marlowe Halvorson nominated Jamie McCrimmon

Accepted

Rick Litman moved that nominations cease.

Bill Cowan seconded the motion.

Jamie McCrimmon was elected by acclamation.

(c) *Nominations were open for 1st Vice-President*

Liz Patrick nominated Rod Betker

Accepted

Charlene Lucas moved that nominations cease.

Marlowe Halvorson seconded the motion.

Rod Betker was elected by acclamation.

(d) *Nominations were open for 2nd Vice-President*

Liz Patrick nominated Doreen Clark

Declined

Doreen Clark nominated Charlene Lucas

Accepted

Leigh Hegan nominated Peggy McCrimmon

Declined

Jamie McCrimmon moved that nominations cease.

Doreen Clark seconded the motion.

Charlene Lucas was elected by acclamation.

(e) *Nominations were open for Secretary-Treasurer*

Jamie McCrimmon nominated Doreen Clark

Accepted

Rita McCrimmon moved that nominations cease.

Charlene Lucas seconded the motion.

Doreen Clark was elected by acclamation.

(f) *There were no ballots to be destroyed.*

(g) **Canadian Congress Executive for 2009 - 2010:**

President	Jamie McCrimmon
1st Vice-President	Rod Betker
2nd Vice-President	Charlene Lucas
Secretary-Treasurer	Doreen Clark

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

a) Mike Provencher moved the meeting be adjourned. Charlene Lucas seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

b) Meeting ended @ 4:15 p.m.