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# Rowing Canada Aviron BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING June 13, 2016

#### **MINUTES**

## Attendance:

Michael Walker, President
Carol Purcer, Provincial Director
Rick Crooker, Director
Andrew Fitzgerald, Director
Tom Hawker, Director (Treasurer)
Brian Lamb, Director
Jon Beare, Athlete Director

## Staff:

Sid Murdoch, Secretary

## Regrets:

Donna Atkinson, CEO

#### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Walker at 3:30 p.m. PDT.

## 2. Acceptance of Agenda

MOTION #1: Board Meeting Agenda

Moved: Carol Purcer Seconded,

That the Board Meeting Agenda, June 13, 2016, be approved.

#### **CARRIED**

# 3. Review and Approval of Previous Minutes:

- 3.1 Board Meeting Minutes May 7-8, 2016
- Correction to the meeting date: May 7 8, 2015 2016.

MOTION #2: Board Meeting Minutes

Moved: Tom Hawker Seconded,

That the Board Meeting Minutes, May 7 - 8, 2016, be approved as amended.

#### **CARRIED**

#### 4. President

# 4.1 CEO Key Competencies

- Key competencies for the CEO position were reviewed along with the following timeline for hiring a new CEO:
  - 1. CEO Job Posting ready for Board review at the July meeting.
  - 2. CEO position to be posted in late July prior to the RIO Olympics.
  - 3. Candidate applications to be reviewed in September
  - 4. 1 or 2 Candidates will be short listed for final interview by the Board at the November 2016 meeting.
- Competencies in fundraising areas will be an important requirement and included in the job posting.
- Directors to provide summary feedback on the job posting to the President by June 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Position to be broadly advertised on LinkedIn, SIRC and other professional websites including non profit.

#### 5. CEO

# 5.1 Organization Structure

- RCA's Organization structure was reviewed by the Board. Further documentation to be prepared by the CEO for a future meeting.
- The HP review and recommendations could impact the organizational structure this will not be finalized until after RIO.

## 5.2 Olympic Send-Off Event

 CEO to provide a written update to the Board on the Olympic send-off event held on June 28<sup>th</sup>.

## 5.3 Canadian Rowing Hall of Fame

A report to the Board from the Canadian Rowing Hall of Fame (CRHF) was reviewed.

# MOTION #3: Canadian Rowing Hall of Fame Report

Moved: Rick Crooker Seconded,

That the report to the Board from the Canadian Rowing Hall of Fame be approved in principle.

## **CARRIED**

 The Board acknowledged the excellent work done by the CHRF Committee in preparing the report.

- Funding for the Canadian Rowing Hall of Fame was discussed.
- The Canadian Henley Rowing Corporation's role in the project was noted.

#### List of Inductees:

- The draft list of inductees for the CHRF was reviewed.
- Regional and historical representation was recognized by the Board as an important aspect for initial inductees.
- Rowing members of the Canada's Sports Hall of Fame could be considered.
- The list of inductees was tabled until the next Board meeting subject to further review by the CHRF Committee.
- It was noted that a call for nominations to the CHRF will go out to the membership.

## 5.4 Training Centre Update

A written update from the CEO will be provided at the next Board meeting.

## 6. Treasurer – Tom Hawker

#### 6.1 RCA Audit

- The RCA Audit Committee met in May.
- Director Brian Lamb has accepted an appointment to the RCA Audit Committee.
- The 2nd draft of the Audit is under review and the draft audit should be finalized by the end of June.
- The Audited Financial Statement will be included on the agenda of the July Board Meeting.

## 6.2 Seagram's Trust Fund

- A board decision on a Seagram's Trust Fund in 1985 set up an original invested amount of \$10,000 with income earned going to the Canadian Secondary Schools Rowing Association.
   \$700 payments were made to CSSRA each year until the income earned by the fund was not sufficient to cover the payment.
- As a result of recent market growth, the fund currently sits at \$14,500. Treasurer Hawker will
  provide a summary to the Board including a history of the trust fund and a proposal for the
  current income earned including disbursements.
- Other Trust Funds in the RCA accounts will be reviewed.

## 6.3 Peloton – Merchant Agreement

- A merchant agreement has been signed regarding banking arrangements for Peloton Technologies, a company that provides financial services in the RCA web registration system.
- Indemnification waivers protecting RCA have been requested from Peloton and from Regatta Central.
- There will be a waiver agreement requirement for clubs using Peloton in the web registration system.
- All of the banking documents reference that funds are held through RCA "In Trust."
- An agreement will be formalized with Peloton by the end of June including restrictions on level of funds that can be transferred without approval from RCA.

# 7. Secretary

7.1 Application for Membership – North Bay Rowing Club

# MOTION #4: Application for Membership – North Bay Rowing Club

Moved: Jon Beare Seconded.

That the North Bay Rowing Club be approved as a probationary member of Rowing Canada Aviron.

#### **CARRIED**

#### 8. Provincial Director - Carol Purcer

Update from the May 18<sup>th</sup> PAC meeting:

- Important discussion items included coach and umpire development across the country.
- PAC Roles and Responsibilities and Responsible Coaching Movement items were deferred until the June 15<sup>th</sup> meeting to allow more time for discussion.

#### 9. Athlete Director – Jon Beare

Nothing further to report.

#### 10. Director - Rick Crooker

# 10.1 Fundraising

- Successful fundraising meetings were held in Toronto and Vancouver. Potential campaign members were supportive.
- It will be important to keep these supporters updated and informed on RCA developments.
   Robyn Tremblay will follow up with them on items such as the Canadian Rowing Hall of Fame.

## 11. Director – Andrew Fitzgerald

## 11.1 Nominating Committee Update

- One meeting has been held with the RCA Nominating Committee, another meeting to be held next week.
- There have been no expressions of interest received as of June 13<sup>th</sup>.
- RCA will send out another reminder to the membership contact list and also post the expression of interest notice on the SIRC website.

#### 12. Director - Brian Lamb

Nothing further to report.

#### 13. Other Business

#### 14. Next Meeting

## 14.1 Conference Call:

Next Board Meeting conference call will be held July 20th.

## 15. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m. PDT.