

NWTVA Annual General Meeting

Date: September 10, 2013

Time: 5:15pm

Location: Sport North

Attendees:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abe Theil | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sandra Nielsen |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Glorianna Shearme | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jill Stephenson |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stacie Bengts | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ron Chiasson |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lyric Sandhals | <input type="checkbox"/> Dean Webb |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Becca Denley | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paul Shearme |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jeffery Amos | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lisa Mackenzie |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stacey Christie | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ben Shaver |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Terrel Hobbs | |

Regrets:

Jeffery Amos, Dean Webb

Agenda:

1. Call to order and roll call
2. Adoption of agenda
3. Approval of minutes from previous Annual General Meeting
4. President's Report
5. Round table reports of community leagues and clubs
 - a. Mini Volleyball
 - b. Leagues
 - i. YK Beach Volleyball League
 - ii. Yellowknife Volleyball Association
 - c. Clubs
 - i. Norman Wells Volleyball Association
 - ii. Potential Volleyball Club
 - iii. Inuvik Volleyball Club
6. Technical Directors Report & Upcoming Games
 - a. Canada Summer Games 2013
 - i. Indoor
 - ii. Beach
 - b. Arctic Winter Games 2014
7. Financial Report and approval of financial statements
8. Nominations and Elections for Positions
 - a. President – 2 year term
 - b. Secretary – 2 year term
9. Appointed Positions (1 year term)
 - a. Registrar
 - b. Regional Officials Chair (ROC)
 - c. Domestic Committee Chair (Technical Director)
 - d. Tournament Chair
 - e. Regional Coordinators (Member at Large)
10. Territorial Championship Dates
11. New Business
 - a. National Championships Coaching Certification Policy

	12. Next Meeting a. Date for next AGM 13. Adjournment
Meeting lead:	Abe Theil
Minute taker:	Lyric Sandhals

Key discussion points:

1. Call to order and roll call – 5:18pm
2. Adoption of agenda

MOTION: to review and accept the agenda

Moved by: Sandra Nielsen

Seconded by: Ron Chiasson

Motion Carried Unanimously

3. Approval of minutes from the 2012 Annual General Meeting

MOTION: to review and accept the agenda

Moved by: Stacie Christie

Seconded by: Glorianna Shearme

Motion Carried Unanimously

4. President’s report – Abe Theil

Verbal Report- Last year was a relatively successful year. Part of the success was due to the funding the Association received from MACA for an Executive Director. Beach Volleyball was very successful this year and we have heard nothing but positive things about the two teams that travelled to Sherbrooke, Quebec for the Canada Summer Games.

Two weeks ago there was a conference call setup through Volleyball Canada for the President’s Forum. At this meeting they decided the forum will be meeting periodically to discuss issues that can be addressed at VC board meetings. There were a lot of common issues throughout all the Provinces and Territories such as; not enough officials, declining number of males participating in volleyball, and dealing with the CIS.

This past year we were able to get player development, coaching, and official’s clinics going in Fort Resolution, Norman Wells, Fort Smith, Inuvik and Yellowknife. We have lots of other individuals interested in growing the sport in their community and we will do our best to support them in any way possible.

5. Round table reports of community leagues and clubs

a. Mini Volleyball – Martin not present, written report provided.

b. Leagues

- i. YK Beach Volleyball League – Very good year which was due to the tremendous volunteers that helped out. The league was able to run 3 nights a week, 4 tournaments and 2 player development clinics. For the second beach volleyball clinic Becca and Lyric worked together to bring up Joe Body who did beach player development clinics in Yellowknife and Fort Smith.

There are rumours going around now that the GNWT is taking over Fred Henne that YK Beach Volleyball League's access to the beach may be changing next summer. Becca will continue to keep everyone posted if there are any changes.

Ben Shaver, Paul Shearme and Joe Body will be putting together a showcase for the snow volleyball tournament in the 3rd week of March.

- ii. Yellowknife Volleyball Association – No Report Provided

c. Clubs

- i. Norman Wells Volleyball Association – No Report Provided

- ii. Potential Volleyball Club – Had another successful year, 62 girls registered from 9-18 years old (4 age groups). 14U, 16U and 18U travelled down south. Two 14U and two 16U teams had the opportunity to travel down to Alberta's Provincials. Their 16U and 18U teams travelled to Nationals. They also ran a middle school and high school skills camp. Moving forward they are adding a new program called 'volleytotz' for ages 4-8 boys and girls.

- iii. Inuvik Volleyball Club – Because the new school opened last year the coed league did not take off until February 2013 and ran a little later until the end of April. They had good attendance, enough for 4 teams 2 nights a week. However, the girl's club team did not take off last season. The girls were in their grade 12 year and were too busy. Hoping for a more successful season with the girl's club team.

- iv. Sundogs Volleyball Club – Had not been running for the last couple years, but was revived this past year using some of the Potential Volleyball Club's gym time. The numbers were very scattered throughout the season. Ben Shaver and Sandra Nielsen will be running it this year again and have book their gym time under the club.

6. Technical Directors Report & Upcoming Games

On January 18th, 2013, 34 delegates across Canada attended the first ever National Beach Summit.

The purpose of the summit was to exchange best practices from the local, provincial and national levels, identify the top priorities for developing beach Volleyball in Canada, and outline achievable action items.

Overall, the Summit was very worthwhile in attending, however many of the items on the agenda were very difficult to apply to our realities in the Northwest Territories. It was very interesting to hear some of the other Provincial Sport Organizations (PSOs) have similar issues to us in that their facilities, coaching numbers and athlete participation are somewhat lacking.

In December 2012: With funding from Volleyball Canada, Scott Schutz (Volleyball Canada), Larry McKay (Head Coach, University of Winnipeg) and Richard Schick (Head Coach, University of British Columbia) came to Yellowknife and N'Dilo/Dettah to run player development camps in several schools. During the week they were here, they worked with approximately 500 students. In addition, the coaches were able to spend time working with Potential Volleyball's 12U, 14U, 16U and 18U club teams.

Recommendations for 2013-2014 seasons: We have enough people now within the NWT that need coaching certifications. We should be focusing on delivering Level 1 and 2 Technical courses. We also need to look into getting a couple individuals certified as Learning Facilitators in the north to put on these clinics to help save time and money and increase our coaching capacity in the NWT.

a. Canada Summer Games 2013

The Canada Summer Games did cause the Association a little bit of grief because athletes were not following through with commitment and there were questions/concerns raised with the beach program and the selections. All the board members who did respond to the media and questions about this issue did a great job. The Sport North Federation is continuing to work through some of the concerns and issues that the community of Fort Smith has.

- i. Indoor – Written report provided.
- ii. Beach – Paul started as the coach with the program and resigned in May. At this time Ron was able to step in. Ron continued to train with the teams up to 6 days a week. The games went really well. The female team did ok; they got double digits for a few sets and took a set off NL. The Male team was definitely competed, as most of the scores reflected this. One of the local papers in Sherbrooke, Quebec actually compared them to the Jamaican Bobsled Team.

It is important that the executive, following this meeting does a full review of the Canada Summer Games process and comes up with some of the suggestions and recommendations for moving forward.

The technical package for the Western Canada Summer Games has been sent around for feedback. When providing feedback we need to keep in mind that the WCSG is not designed to fit into the Canada Games process, but uses the WCSG as a feeder program into the CSG.

b. Arctic Winter Games 2014

Our two coaches have been selected, Ron Chiasson will be leading the female team and Dean Webb will be leading the male team. Selection policy has been submitted to Sport North.

7. Financial Report and Approval of Financial Statements

MOTION: to accept the financial statements as presented

Moved by: Ron Chiasson

Seconded by: Paul Shearme

Motion Carried Unanimously

8. Nominations and Elections for Positions

MOTION: to open the nominations

Moved by: Paul Shearme

Seconded by: Sandra Nielsen

Motion Carried Unanimously

Abe Theil appointed Lyric Sandhals as the returning officer

- a. President – 2 year term
Abe Theil nominated by Paul Shearme
Seconded by: Ron Chiasson
- b. Secretary – 2 year term
Glorianna Shearme nominated by Lisa Mackenzie
Seconded by: Stacey Christie

MOTION: to close the nominations

Moved by: Ron Chiasson

Seconded by: Ben Shaver

Motion Carried Unanimously

9. Appointed Positions(1 year term)

- a. Registrar - Executive Director will continue to perform the duties of the Registrar
- b. Officials Chair (ROC) – Terrel Hobbs appointed by Abe Theil
- c. Domestic Committee Chair (Technical Director) – Paul Shearme appointed by Abe Theil
- d. Tournament Chair- Ron Chiasson appointed by Abe Theil
- e. Regional Coordinators (Member at Large) – Ben Shaver, Lisa Mackenzie, Becca Denley, Stacey Christie appointed by Abe Theil

10. Territorial Championship Dates

February 14-16, 2013

Yellowknife, NT

There has been a request put forward to have two divisions, recreation and competitive for the women's and men's division or creating power pools for more equal play amongst the teams. Ron Chiasson, as the tournament coordinator will take these suggestions into account when organizing Territorials.

11. New Business

a. National Championships Coaching Certification Policy

Volleyball Canada has implemented a fee structure for coaches who do not meet the minimum coaching certification at the 2014 National Championships. A handout of the requirements was handed out to all the members and will be posted on our website.

b. Mini Volleyball Membership

Volleyball Canada has implemented a new fee structure of \$3 for mini volleyball memberships. Discussion around what we should be charging (if anything) for mini volleyball. Lyric Sandhals will follow up with the Mini Volleyball coordinators in Yellowknife and Fort Simpson to see how they feel about administering a fee for this program/event.

c. Website

The charges we have from NWTEL every month do not make any sense and there is a desire from the board to have a more 'user friendly' website and also to be more in sync with the other P/TSA's.

The direction of the Association is to get a new website so Lyric Sandhals or other clubs/leagues able to post and share information in a timely and affordable basis.

We need to ensure there is a smooth transition with the website so that YKVA is not left without a website and support from NWTVA.

12. Next Meeting

June 2014

13. Adjournment – 6:55pm