



Athletics New Brunswick 2020 Annual General Meeting

Date: November 22, 2020

Time: 10am-12:30pm

Location – Virtual Video Conference

Attendees:

Yes	Marc Lalonde	<i>ANB – President</i>	Yes	Bill MacMackin	<i>SJTFC</i>
Yes	Carol Landry	<i>ANB Vice President</i>	Yes	Kelly Vibert	<i>APAC</i>
Yes	Carl Cummings	<i>ANB – Official Chair</i>	Yes	Grace Annear	<i>SJTFC</i>
Yes	Sandy Brown	<i>ANB Director at Large</i>	Yes	Jules Comeau	<i>Aetos Athletica</i>
Yes	Michele LeBlanc	<i>ANB – Secretary</i>	Yes	Nat Couture	<i>Speeding Cheetahs/NB Trail Runners</i>
Yes	Robert Jackson	<i>FLTC</i>	Yes	Julia Loparco	<i>ANB Staff – Executive Director</i>
Yes	Andrew Justason	<i>ANB Director at Large/FLTC</i>	Yes	Carol LePage	<i>Athlétisme Chaleur Athletics</i>
Yes	Yvan Pelletier	<i>ANB Director at Large/FLTC</i>	Yes	Steve LeBlanc	<i>ANB Staff - High Performance Director/AETOS</i>
Yes	Jarod Manual	<i>ANB Athlete Rep/Treasurer</i>	Yes	Chris Belof	<i>ANB Staff – High Performance Coach / SJTC</i>
Yes	Shawna Harrison	<i>FLTC</i>	Yes	Ryan Jacobson	<i>New Maryland Speeding Cheetahs</i>
	David Harrison	<i>FLTC</i>	Yes	Richard Chadwick	<i>FTLC</i>
Yes	Brandon LeBlanc	<i>ASEA</i>	Yes	Dave Thomas	<i>SJTFC</i>
Yes	Dr. Erik Klein	<i>SJTFC</i>			
Yes	Hannah				



1.0 Call to Order / Welcome / Apologies for Absence

The ANB 2020 AGM was called to Order by Marc L at 10:11.

Marc gave a summary of the AGM agenda and objectives for the day. Voting records per club was established. All motions would be voted on based on Club/Board member votes.

2.0 Adoption of Agenda

Motion: Jules C

That the Agenda be approved as presented.

Seconded: Andy J

MOTION CARRIED

3.0 Minutes of the 2019 AGM & Matters Arising

Motion: Bill M

That the 2019 AGM Minutes be approved as amended below.

Seconded: Yvan P

MOTION CARRIED

Dave Thomas's name to be added to the list of attendees during 2019 AGM.

Matters Arising: Put into policy the membership date renewal as discussed at the 2019 AGM. Will not be putting forward any membership fee increase at this time, a matter that was tabled at the 2019 AGM. Marc and Jarod will describe how ANB's financial situation is looking much more positive and why a fee increase is not necessary at this time.

4.0 Reports

4.1 President – Marc Lalonde – please refer to submitted report

Marc highlighted some areas of his report with the first being the hiring of Julia Loparco full time as the Executive Director. He spoke about attracting new members to Athletics New Brunswick post pandemic and thanked all Board Members and Committee members for their support to our organization and sport.

4.2 – Financial Report – Jarod Manual

2019 Financials – strong financials for 2019 with a \$7500 surplus compared to a 2018 loss of \$36,506.

4.2.1 2020 Financial update & Breakdown of categories

Please refer to Jarod's report for detailed information.



2020 Highlights:

- Strong 2020 from a bottom-line perspective
- Lower revenues, lower expenses
- Funding from key partners has been maintained
- Staff went from 4 employees to 3 employees
- Anticipating at least a \$30K surplus
- Accounts payable is primarily composed of the \$40K CEBA loan

4.3 Executive Director's Report – Julia Loparco

Please refer to Julia's submitted report for details.

Highlights:

- Applying for grant programs
- Staff – working closely with University teams and Clubs
- Strategic plan
- Finances

Marc noted and thanked Stephanie Doiron for her support with ANB finances during the year.

4.4 – High Performance Coach's Report – Chris Belof – looking ahead to 2021

Please refer to submitted report for details.

Highlights:

- Thanked staff and Marc for support
- Coach Education – challenges during COVID
- Training with University and Clubs are more challenging yet ongoing

4.5 – High Performance Director's Report – Steve LeBlanc – looking ahead to 2021

Please refer to submitted report.

Highlights:

- Online initiatives of sharing articles & resources on education/training to members
- Online interviews
- Head coach of U de M – successful 2019
- Focus with athletes is training and improvement during COVID
- Great teamwork with Julia and Chris

4.6 – Athletics Canada – Strategic Plan Review 2020-28 – Bill MacMackin



Highlights:

- Strategic plan update
 - Performance – National team focus
 - Development – added high quality staff over past few years
 - Participation remains a focus area. Trying to secure funding for greater support.
 - Sport Governance

- Safe Sport
 - Very difficult couple of years but have made it through
 - High profile cases
 - Encouraging all to report bad behavior
 - In his last 6 months as AC Chair
 - Stepping down after 4 years at Athletics Canada
 - 4 years of surplus were realized

4.7 – Masters Representative – Andy Justason

Please refer to submitted report.

Highlights:

- Doing well as a Master's organization
- Membership has been increasing in NB
- Prior to COVID we had several new masters enter our community
- CMA will be having discussions with AC over the next year to determine synergies.

4.8 – Run NB – Mary Brosnan

Please refer to Mary's report

Julia provided highlights:

- 1200-1300 participants – well down from the previous year
- Received COVID relief which will prove helpful
- Mary, Marc and Shawna Allaby working on National 5K starting with a national virtual 5K 4 runner team event

4.9 – Officials Committee – Carl Cummings

Highlights:

- National committee has been providing many webinars to officials
- Release level 3 for Officials by March 2021



- ML- Will be looking to provide have more support especially in terms of attracting new officials.

4.10 – Governance Committee – Yvan Pelletier & Brandon Leblanc

Please refer to submitted report.

Highlights from Yvan and Brandon.

- Recognition of nomenclature for different athlete age groups
- Creation of temporary membership
- Change “Open” category to “Senior”
- Change membership category for Associate to Affiliate
- Governance Committee met last month
- Realign member conduct policy with current practices and new Safe Sport initiatives
- Review recommendations from Technical Committee at they apply within policies
- Action plan for communication and enforcement of ANB policies
- Clarify AC vs ANB as well as RunNB vs ANB jurisdictions
- Identify duplicate policies

Bill MacMackin noted that AC is looking into having Enhanced Police Information Check (\$25 nationally) vs a Criminal Record’s check. A decision could come as early as April 2021. The Enhanced Check is more detailed and likely more accurate & relevant. It is available through Sterling Backcheck.

4.11 – Awards Committee – Scott Davis

Please refer to submitted report. Sandy and Andy reviewed its highlights. Committee members are pleased that Scott has accepted to stay on as the committee chair.

ML – Board will examine at its Dec. meeting the timing for acknowledging the 2020 recipients.

4.12 - Technical Committee – Steve LeBlanc

Please refer to submitted report.

Highlights:

Coordinating interaction with other Atlantic Provinces regarding competition schedule, Maritime Legion tryouts, and training camps.

4.13 – Canada Games Update – Bill MacMackin



Please refer to submitted report.

Highlights:

- Postponement of CSG to 2022
- Likely T&F will be in the second week
- Hope to hold a January training camp day over Christmas if COVID allows
- Athletes that were eligible should be eligible for the postponed games; waiting for decision on the exact age grouping that will be permitted.

4.14 – Club Reports – verbal

- Aetos Athletica – Jules
 - Activities have been ongoing though limited. Very good collaboration with access to University and clubs with regards to facility use.
- Athlétisme Chaleur Athletics – Carol L
 - Largest number of athletes this summer – 30
 - Challenge to keep athletes motivated
 - 20 athletes registered for this winter
- Athletisme Péninsule Acadienne
 - No update
- ASEA – Brandon L
 - 5 meets have been held
 - In person practice started early June
 - Cross Country training season was carried out through the fall
 - Moved indoor at CEPS
 - 3 new coaches
- Course de Sentier NB Trail Running – Nat C
 - Local clubs meet for runs
 - Quarterly meetings
 - Main challenge in the Club's development is accessing trails that run through private lands (insurance being the main concern).
- FFT– Michele L
 - Focus has been on training and improvements
 - Outdoor training continuing
- FLTC – Shawna H



- Outdoor – Odell Park
- Practicing in Church gym indoors
- Base is not available because of COVID
- Received Covid-19 grant support

- Greater Moncton Running Club
 - No update

- New Maryland Speeding Cheetahs – Nat C
 - First year registered with ANB
 - 80 youth this summer
 - High interest in ages 3-10

- SJTC – Bill M
 - Best membership year seen at the start of 2020 (new facility was having an impact)
 - Good retention
 - Fieldhouse is open for training

5.0 New Business

5.1 – ANB Strategic Plan Review – Marc Lalonde

Please refer to submitted report.

5.2 – ANB Strategic Plan – High Performance Development – Marc Lalonde & Steve LeBlanc

Please refer to submitted report. Marc L and Steve L provided update.

Highlights:

- Focus will be on in-Province athletes with more local programming
- Spreading the money over a larger number of athletes
- 5 main branches of athlete development
- Offer of support for coaches of HP and Elite athletes in their travels to National competitions.
- Training camps – in Province
- Coach support – a fund that ANB coaches could apply as long as athletes are identified on the list (ex attend a National championship)

Marc L – Reminder that for Elite NB athletes who are out of province, the substantial potential cash funding support through both the Canada Games Foundation (\$200 to \$2000) and by the Province (\$500 to \$6,000) ... if athletes apply!



5.3 – Youth Development Strategies for Growth – Julia Loparco

Please refer to Julia's report.

Highlights (Priority areas):

- Improved Relationships between ANB and Clubs
- Rolling-out Successful Programs to as many areas as possible
- Growth further the School and Community Involvement
- Increasing Communication & Promotions

Dave T. – Encouraged ANB to always consider the importance of the social interaction at camps and how this can have a significant impact on youth in staying in the sport in the future.

6.0 Election of Officer's & Director's – David Thomas

Dave reviewed the names put forward to the assembly.

Please refer to the Chart submitted for Election of Officers and Directors.

Dave asked if there are any other nominations for any positions. There were no other nominations put forward.

Motion: Andy J

That the election of the proposed Officers and Directors be approved as presented.

Seconded: Jules C

All voting members in favour.

Marc thanked outgoing Board members for their support over the years. He welcomed Grace Annear, Ryan Jacobson and Eric Klein. Marc also thanked those Board members who are re-offering.

7.0 Next General Meeting – SAGM - Sunday April 25, 2021 Mode and time TBD

Motion: Carl C

That the AGM 2020 meeting be adjourned at 12:58.