

BVC Special General Meeting

Nov. 1, 2023

DRAFT minutes

Attendance 35 registered, 33 attended

Cameron Lebron moved to commence meeting at 20:05

Motion to adopt Article 43 & 44 in the BVC Bylaws

Jean Boily moved, Tom Baker 2nd

"Article 43. Directors shall hold office for a period of two years (2). Directors shall be elected on staggered two year terms with half (or nearest round number) to be elected in one year, and the remainder in the next.

Article 44. A separate election must be held for each director position to be filled.

Article 44a). All officers shall be elected for terms of one year by the Board of Directors. The President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer must be chosen from those persons comprising the Board of Directors."

General discussion of motion, some members wanted amendment to commit Officers only to 2-year terms.

George Mclaughlin called the question

20 in favor, 9 opposed

Motion passed

Motion to adopt the transition year proposal:

"For the purpose of the 2023 Election of Directors to take place at the AGM, all current Board of Director members will be stepping down as stipulated by our current by-laws. However, in order to transition to "staggered 2 year terms", we will be electing half of the Board of Directors for a 1 year term, and the other half will be elected for a 2 year term. This motion is only relevant for the 2023 election."

Unanimous in favor

Motion passed

SGM adjourned at 21:00

BVC Annual General Meeting

November 1, 2023

DRAFT Minutes

Motion to convene AGM at 21:05. Approved

Meeting called to order at 21:07

Move to approve agenda – Michael Wegner

Motion to approve minutes of 2022 AGM - Dave Fenton

Unanimous approval

Presidents Report – Jean Boily

Good day and thank you all for joining. I really wished we could have had this meeting in person as planned, but I came down with a pretty nasty flu on Monday, and not being certain I could make it to the Velodrome for the in person meeting, the board decided to hold it virtually. Again, we apologize for the short notice and apparent confusion.

I want to start by expressing my deepest gratitude to all board members for their support and dedication. This gratitude is also extended to our staff and numerous volunteers who, throughout the year, have done what needed to be done in order to keep the ball rolling as seamlessly as possible under sometimes difficult circumstances. I think it's fair to say that this group has a tremendous execution capacity when it comes to running events, taking care of our track and equipment, as well as sharing their experience with newer riders.

THANK YOU ALL

2022-2023 was a challenging year for the BVC. At the very beginning of this Board's term, we had to focus on preparing ourselves ahead of the 3 month shut down for the facility's roof replacement project. Although the fall 2022 saw some great activities and great involvement and enthusiasm for what felt like the first "normal" post covid year, the untimely, but unavoidable shutdown made it feel like a false start. Therefore, we have not fully recuperated from the uncertainty/confusion/disorganization that were a side effect of the COVID years.

Additionally, we started our term on a lease extension with VBC, and at the completion of our term, we are still on an extension. It was our understanding that the VBC and the City of Burnaby were working out terms for a long term lease which in turn, would have made it possible for us to reach a longer term agreement with VBC. Very recently, however, we learned that VBC and the City of Burnaby had switched gears and are now trying to agree on a 2 year lease, which sends signals that perhaps VBC may not be interested in committing to the facility for the long term. With all the shortcomings associated with the VBC's stewardship of the facility that we witness on a regular basis at the track, and the more than obvious resistance to addressing very basic operating non-compliances, the writing is on the wall...we are at or near a crossroad. One of the challenges of the new board will be to identify a clear path for the long term, and look at all options that can, not only secure access to the facility for the long term, but also provide us with an opportunity to thrive and grow. What we see today in VBC's execution capacity for basic stuff is probably not who we want to put our money on as a viable long term partner.

Internally, the board stopped short of approving a position that directionally would help address some of the gaps we have. We have just gotten a clear definition very recently, and being so close to the dissolution of the current board, we opted to delay it for the new board to approve, since it represents a fairly important investment, that has the potential to pay for itself even with the current limitations on hours of use that we have at the facility. The biggest opportunity being with rider retention after they go through the learn to ride program.

I understand there's been some frustration this fall with atmospheric controls inside the dome, and that we have been relying on VBC's good faith, and competency to swiftly resolve the issue. Even though we may be close to seeing results, we need to develop a strategy to drive their accountability. Their shortcomings have cost us money, and continue to do so every time one of our riders has an unpleasant or uncomfortable experience at the track. Member engagement has eroded in October, and we can't let that trend be our friend.

On a more upbeat note, we have had some good stuff happening with our youth program for both performance and initiation, we have 2 exciting racing events this fall with the Bare Bones taking place Nov 10-12, and the track Provincial Championships scheduled for December (Elite, master, youth), and the return of the Western Track Challenge in February 2024. BVC continues to be valiantly represented on the National scene with several of our members making us proud in all categories.

Thanks to everyone, and looking forward to see you all on the track.

Jean

Operations Director Report – Hans Loeffelholz

- Increased fees 8%
- Changed youth fee structure \$300 + \$300 for fall and winter
- 240+ active members in system, significantly low historically (400)
- Staff recognitions
- Successfully applied for HopOn grant
- Board adopted a Refugee Policy
- Limited events in 2023 with Western Track Challenge cancelled

Treasurers Report – David Fenton

- GST not yet filed for 2023
- Private bookings not recorded as such with Xplor Triib

Nominations for Directors:

- Steve Mousseau – 2 years
- Michael Wegner – 2 years
- Elise Murray – 2 years
- Marc Sasso – 2 years
- George Mclaughlin – 1 year
- Sarah Goomeshi Nobary– 1 year
- Tom Baker – 1year

David Fenton – 1 year
Spencer Mulder – 1 year

Board nominees acclaimed

New Business
None

Motion to Adjourn
Ange, Steve Mousseau

Meeting Adjourned at 22:21