



Archers Association of Nova Scotia

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Executive Meeting
Universite Sainte-Anne
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March 14, 2015

Attending: Rob Laprade, VP Archery Canada; Bette Burton, VP Target; Melanie Lefler, Secretary; Nicole Theriault, Treasurer (via video conference); Lainie Smith, Administrative Assistant, Sport Nova Scotia; John Landry, President, BANS; Bill Currie, President

Regrets: Chad Harpell, VP 3D

Meeting called to order 1:35pm

Bill introduces all in attendance, and welcomes new executive members Bette Burton and John Landry, to the executive.

1. Approval of Agenda
 - a. all in favour, no objections
2. Approval of Previous Minutes
 - a. approval of September 20th, 2014, minutes-accepted by all, no objections
 - b. the executive has reviewed the 2014 BoD/AGM minutes
 - c. approval to circulate minute to BoD within the week for corrections of factual errors and then to be included as a DRAFT in 2015 Spring Newsletter
3. Shoot Schedule
 - a. all blank weeks were deleted and will be included in Newsletter, shoot cards too, to be distributed to dealers and sponsors within two weeks (March 31st)
4. Newsletter
 - a. BoD and AGM Minutes will be circulated to BoD for corrections. Once final draft received, minutes will be included in Newsletter
 - b. distribution to dealers and sponsors and to members by email.
5. RICOH Awards/Nominations: Deadline April 7th
 - a. Archers recognized by category i.e.: Canada Games Athlete, Best Female/Best Male/Best Team, Best Volunteer, Best Coach
 - b. Lainie reports that several have been nominated and Lainie will co-ordinate getting nominees to prepare their own Biography
 - c. Lainie to send request to all BoD and advertise for nominations on the AANS website

6. Award Plaques
 - a. Three plaques were removed from Osprey, and the plaques were replaced by Laurie Bolivar, however we need to determine who the past winners/recipients were. Bette will attempt to retrieve championship records from hosting clubs.
 - b. This situation has reiterated the need to have one central locale for AANS championship records, Bill suggest that the AANS website should be the archive for historical records and documents.
7. High Performance Funding
 - a. Lainie and Bill attended a meeting March 12th, with a follow-up March 24th on high performance funding re Support4Sport and Canada Games Funding. Funding will be redirected to high performance team building and not specific to youth and Canada Games. We will need to develop high performance Nova Scotia Team with high performance coaches to compete not only provincially, but nationally and internationally. Team will include Target and 3D Archers, youth and senior archers. If we do this correctly, we may see an increase in funding.
8. Canada Winter Games Report
 - a. Jason March submitted 2015 Canada Winter Games Nova Scotia Archery Report to the executive. Bill has sent a copy on to Evan MacInnis, our sport manager with Canada Games. Evan MacInnis noted that Archery was one of the few Nova Scotia sports to increase their performance over four years ago!
9. Provincial Coach Selection and Succession Planning
 - a. We need to develop a process for selection of a Provincial Coach. We need to follow a process similar to our selection process for Canada Games Coach. A Job Description is required. Bill, Rob and Lainie will consult with Mark Smith, Director of Coaching at Sport Nova Scotia next week.
 - b. Bill proposes once the Job Description has been developed a selection committee will interview candidates and include questions like “How will you build a high performance team?”
 - c. Coach Development: Lainie is collecting names of people interested in the Instructor of Beginner Archers coaching course. Once she has 10 to 12 names she will organize our Learning Facilitators and a date for a course. Similarly Bill has 3 certified beginner coaches interested in an Instructor of Intermediate Archers course. Again, Lainie will organize our Learning Facilitators and a date for a course (held in approximately three months).
10. Professional development for administrators and volunteers
 - a. Sport Nova Scotia is putting on a Professional development workshop April 24th for sport administrators and volunteers. Members of AANS BoD and Executive are encouraged to attend. Lainie, Melanie, and Bette volunteered to attend.
11. MLF Training for Competition Stream
 - a. Two categories: Competition Development and Competition High Performance
 - b. CAC (Coaching Association Canada) developed coaching course for National Sports and Provincial Sports: facilitator should be able to use discretion on how it is presented. Bruce Savage will be consulted for delivery recommendations.
12. Judge Certification
 - a. Ken Saulnier and JoAnne Spencer have volunteered to put on a 1 day workshop to develop more Judges to Provincial level. As a pre-requisite, Candidates will need to have completed the Club Judge (open book) test available on the Archery

Canada website. More provincial and National level judges will be required when Nova Scotia hosts 2018 Canadian Outdoor Championships.

- b. Bette will organize candidates, place and date for a workshop.
13. Target and 3D Funding Criteria for travel for 2015
- a. No major changes from previous years with only minor edits. Bette will finalize editing to be reviewed and updated on AANS website.
 - b. Provincial Funding for 3D and Target Canadian Outdoor Championships comes from three sources: Sport Nova Scotia Support4Sport program provides \$750 / year that can be shared among no more than three archers; Archery Canada provides one round trip airfare that can be split between 2 archers (target and 3D); AANS collects donations from clubs to support travel of archers.
 - c. Bill comments that last year the newsletter and shoot cards were distributed to 10 dealers and sponsors. Because of the modest costs, last year dealers and sponsors were not sent an invoice. Bill is suggesting asking the dealers and sponsors for a \$100 donation to the travel fund each year.
14. NASP
- a. Lainie reports that schools want to get involved in NASP but don't want to invest in equipment unless there is an interest. Bill reminds everyone that AANS owns two complete sets of NASP gear. Each set includes 10 right handed and two left handed bows, net, targets, and NASP arrows; Lindsay Poehl and Rick Comeau have one set, Travis McLeod and Citadel Community Centre currently share the second set.
 - b. Lainie reminded everyone about the deadline of April 1st for PSO project grant application.
15. Pre-registration for indoor shoots
- a. Required to ensure all archers are accommodated, and if high volumes are expected assigned shoot times alleviate wait times
 - b. Judges are required for target events (registered with Archery Canada). It is the hosting club's responsibility to organize and pay for a judge. A minimum honorarium \$75 should be paid to the judge to cover travel costs, time commitment, etc.
 - c. Bill reminded the meeting that for all provincial championships and Atlantic championships AANS pays for medals, and provides them to the hosting club.
16. One Arrow versus Two Arrows
- a. Rob reported that in the weeks following the BoD meeting there was considerable discussion about 1 Arrow vs 2 Arrows at 3D shoots for recurve, longbow, traditional and youth archers. During a conference call with directors on December 10, 2014 the consensus was to leave the 2015 3D shoots the same as the 2014 3D shoots and directors should go back to their clubs to bring this issue to their membership. This would give time for more archers to voice their opinion on 1 arrow versus to 2 arrows for youth, traditional, longbow and recurve categories. Directors would then bring the information to the 2015 BoD meeting for reconsideration and an informative decision. The consensus during the teleconference was that all the 3D shoots continue to use 2 Arrows for the Longbow and Recurve unsighted disciplines. Compound Archers (1 arrow) have the advantage of sights allowing for greater accuracy. Similarly, the use 2 Arrows to encourage youth archer (PeeWee and Pre-Cub) participation, should continue.

- b. Recommend that the BoD minutes of 2014 include a “Note:” referencing the conference call of December 10, 2014, as above 16(a).
17. Atlantic Championships
- a. Rob to discuss with NB and PEI archery representatives, Julie and Duncan Crawford respectively, on how to best organize and co-ordinate date for Atlantic Championship, to be included on NS Shoot Schedule i.e., fixed annual date.
 - b. Also include NB and PEI on discussion to develop high performance teams in each province
18. Canada Games Funding
- a. Sport Nova Scotia (SNS) provided four installments of \$5000 over four years towards Canada Games financing. Current expenditures total \$18,703 with \$150 outstanding to Osprey Archery Club for hosting a CG training camp. Bill recommended \$500 honorarium to both Gayle and Jason for excellence and commitment to the CG Team. All in agreed, none opposed.
 - b. Current AANS account balance is \$28,503 after recent major purchases of AANS crest patches and medals.
19. Club Accessibility
- a. Lainie suggests look towards having one club fully accessible indoor and outdoor in the next year and moving towards one club per region
 - b. Sheet Harbour’s previous club had a boardwalk for 3D outdoor accessibility; not sure of current condition or use.
20. Other Business
- a. Rob reposted that he received 30 NASP BAI kits. He has sent 10 kits on to Bras d’Or Archers. Lainie will send an invoice to cover our costs
 - b. Rob asked when our Outcomes reports (for our Provincial funding) would be due. Lainie noted that the Outcomes reports have not been requested yet but we should expect them soon
 - c. AANS New/renewal Membership: 18 year old family member is an Individual Member. Family is parent(s) and minor children/youth.
 - d. John Landry, President of Bowhunters Association of Nova Scotia (BANS) discussed their hope to increase membership, as currently have only 120 active members. Bill directed John to read the AANS By-laws. BANS selects their representative to the AANS executive and BoD meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 3:40 PM.