



# ONTARIO CURLING ASSOCIATION

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The Annual General Meeting of CurlON was called to order on Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at the K-W Granite Club at 3:30 p.m.

## **PRESENT**

Executive      Rick Thurston  
                    Tim McChesney  
                    Carmelinda Del Conte  
                    Margot Sheperd-Spurgeon  
                    Gerry Sundwall

Regrets         Kevin Tanner  
                    Julie Columbus

Observers:     Renee Reddick

Staff:           Matt Allen                             Jackie Deschenes  
                    Executive Director               Operations Manager  
  Dave Hutchison  
  Event Coordinator

Other Guests: There were 68 CurlON members and 3 staff members in attendance.

## **OPENING REMARKS**

Rick Thurston called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Rick welcomed CurlON's new Executive Director Matt Allen.

Rick thanked all of the member clubs, participants, and competitors for all that they do and for all of their continuing support.

## **A MINUTE OF SILENCE**

Rick asked everyone in attendance to observe a moment of silence for fellow curlers, friends and others that have passed away since the last Annual Meeting.

## **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

A motion was made to approve the agenda as presented:

**Moved by:** Carmelinda Del Conte

**Seconded by:** Tim McChesney

**MOTION CARRIED**

## **REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS**

Matt Allen reported that notice of meeting was sent out in accordance with CurlON bylaws which is 45 days prior to the meeting. All information was sent out to all registered club voting members, club delegates and was circulated on social media. He then noted that there were 6 voting members of the Board in accordance with the 2019 bylaw adjustments and confirmed quorum.

## **GREETINGS FROM CURLING CANADA**

Danny Lamoureux brought greetings from Curling Canada via video conference.

## **GREETINGS FROM ONTARIO CURLING COUNCIL**

The Ontario Curling Council Board and staff sent greetings through Gerry Sundwall. The OCC thanked the CurlON Board and staff as well as the NOCA for their support

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Annual General Meeting as circulated.

**Moved by:** Margot Shepherd-Spurgeon

**Seconded by:** Gerry Sundwall

**CARRIED**

## **REPORT AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Rick reported that the financial statements were distributed 45 days prior to the AGM. There was a Q & A from the members regarding the financial statements.

A motion was made to accept the April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023, audited financial statements as presented.

**Moved by:** Carmelinda Del Conte

**Seconded by:** Gerry Sundwall

**CARRIED**

A motion was made to appoint the auditors Welch LLP for the ensuing year 2023-2024.

**Moved by:** Carmelinda Del Conte  
**Seconded by:** Tim McChesney  
**CARRIED**

## **PRESENTATION OF THE 2023-2024 OPERATIONS BUDGET AND PLAN**

Matt briefly reported on the 2023-2024 Operations Budget & Plan.

A motion was made to approve the 2023-24 Member Fees and Other Fees.

**Moved by:** Tim McChesney  
**Seconded by:** Gerry Sundwall  
**CARRIED**

## **BOARD ELECTIONS**

Gerry reported that the 2023 Board elections were completed and were conducted in accordance with CurlON's bylaws.

A motion was made to accept the 2023 Board Elections as presented.

**Moved by:** Gerry Sundwall  
**Seconded by:** Carmelinda Del Conte  
**CARRIED**

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

### Awards

The following curlers were the recipients of the CurlON Lifetime Achievement Awards:

Scott MacDonald  
Lori Eddy  
Jo-Ann Rizzo  
David Mathers  
Dave Stanley  
Matthew Hall

The following curlers were the recipients of the Hero Award:

Wilson Family (Midland)  
Pauline Orpwood (Peteborough)  
Mike Dymarski (Norwich)  
Randy Willick (Walkerton)  
Vito Lozer (Richmond Hill)  
Kaanraan Islam (Cataraqui)

The EDI Award was awarded to the Toronto Cricket Skating and Curling Club.

Rick entertained a short question and answer period from the delegates who were participating in this year's AGM.

### **CHAIR'S CLOSING REMARKS**

Rick Thurston closed the meeting by thanking the CurlON Board & Staff for their efforts the past year and thanked the outgoing Board members for their hard work and dedication to CurlON.

Rick then wished everyone a safe and successful curling season.

### **TERMINATION**

A motion was made to terminate the meeting at 4:15 p.m.

**Moved by:** Margo Shepherd-Spurgeon

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Chair

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Secretary