



#### **4.0 Approval of the 2008 Annual General Meeting Minutes**

John Metcalfe indicated that a name was misspelled in the attendance list and needed to be amended. The Secretary apologized for the error.

**Motion** to accept the amended minutes from the 2008 Annual General Meeting:

Mover: John Metcalfe          Seconded by: Richard Zelinka          Action: **Carried**

#### **5.0 Business Arising From the Minutes**

a) Richard questioned about the suggestion of a non-profit organization, and stated that it may come up under the new proposal. No other business was put forward.

b) John Metcalfe was handed the responsibility to chair the discussion of the document titled "Organization and Function of the OTFA Officials' Committee" that was presented to the members at last year's AGM. He stated that a new structure proposal entitled "Organization and Function of the Athletics Ontario Officials' Executive Committee Part 1" and "Operation of Athletics Ontario Officials Part 2" has been discussed by our Special Committee.

John reported that the new proposal was emailed or posted to everyone about two and a half weeks ago, so that a discussion and review of the new proposal could occur at this AGM. John led the discussion and walk-through of the new structure proposal while Jacquie recorded amendments and suggestions from the membership. The discussion was limited to one hour on the first part and one-half hour on the second part.

The discussion was halted for lunch and presentations. The discussion continued at 12:20 p.m., after lunch and a motion was put forth.

**Motion:** "That the amendments made to this working document at this AGM be approved so that the Sub-committee can move on to the next process."

Moved by: Merv Witter          Seconded by: Tom Read          Action: **Carried**

Tim Slocombe thanked our committee for their work.

**Lunch:** The meeting was interrupted for a half hour break to eat lunch. During this time, the OOC executive (Enrico & Dave) made four presentations of an award on behalf of the Minister of Sport and the Province of Ontario, to the officials that had officiated at the Montreal Olympics and were still volunteering time today to officiate meets. Congratulations go to Barclay Frost, Jim Griffin, Elaine Lake, and Tom Read.

Dave presented The 2009 NOC Wall of Honour award to Mike Illingworth.

Helen and Lynn presented many officials with an award for 35, 30, or 25 years of volunteer service as a Track and Field official in Ontario.

#### **6.0 Reports**

All of the executive reports were made available to the general membership in attendance at the AGM.

##### **Chair - Enrico**

Enrico reviewed his report for this year, giving an overview of the various topics that he discussed. His report outlines that we have decided to 'go green' and will be contacting most members via Email. He asked that individual Email addresses be given/updated. He stated that those officials who do not have a computer will continue to be sent notices by Canada Post. He also briefly discussed the OOC executive and Special committee meetings, the clinics, upgrading, the incentives for 2009, awards, and the next newsletter.

Enrico spoke about Evaluations. Some were very good. He stated that if you are asked to add a comment, please put a comment down – especially at Level Three. Try to follow the items list for submission of an evaluation package.

Enrico thanked the executive for their assistance and stated that he will stand for re-election if nominated. He then entertained questions and comments on any point listed in his report. He replied to Mike Illingworth's question about shirts, stating that we should use our old OTFA shirts for now. He stated that he will put in the next newsletter about the opportunity to purchase new shirts, and Dave requested that a cheque must be sent with the order form. Elaine noted that Enrico should change IPRC to IPC, and the word 'dad' should be omitted from section 7.

#### **Vice Chair – Helen**

Helen reviewed her report and stated she was surprised to see that 176 officials were registered because she has seen the same faces and the same numbers of officials at meets. In her report, she again thanked all of us for volunteering our time to make the meets successful for the athletes. She congratulated the officials that received provincial or national upgradings, and welcomed this year's new officials.

Helen wished everyone the Best of the Holiday Season.

#### **Vice Chair – Upgrading and Seminars – Darryl**

As Darryl was accompanying his wife on a Trans-Atlantic cruise, Helen reviews Darryl's report. Two corrections were noted to the mentoring list: Elaine and Ken had mentored twice. Congratulations for National upgrading go to:

Helen Vasilic – Level 4 Track Referee  
John Metcalfe – Level Five Starter  
Mervin Witter – Level Four Starter  
Sherry Purdie – Level Four Umpire

The following applications were received and approved for Provincial Upgrading.

In April: Dan Aitken – Level 2 Horizontal Jumps  
Megan Hostetter – Level 1 Umpire and Finish Line  
Colin Inglis – Photo Finish Provincial List  
Barbara Mero – Level 1 Umpire  
Gail Schmidt – Level 1 Umpire and Finish Line  
John Stevenson – Level 1 Umpire and Finish Line  
Sherry Watts – Level 1 Umpire and Finish Line

In October: Leo Shapiro – Level 3 Track Referee  
Rian Sheehan – Photo Finish Provincial List  
Jim McLaren – Level 1 Vertical Jumps  
Joan Jakubo – Level 1 Finish Line Judge & Level 2 Starter's Assistant  
Darryl Snyder – Technical Manager Provincial List  
Bob Tucker – Technical Manager Provincial List  
Sandy Repko – Level 3 Umpire

#### **Clinics:**

Three introductory Level clinic were held this year, one each sponsored by the South Simcoe Dufferin Track Club (43 attendees), the St Thomas Legion Track Club (11 attendees), and the Masters Athletics of Toronto Club (23 attendees).

#### **Mentoring:**

Several Ontario officials were recognized as having acted as National Level mentors in 2009. Jacquie Downing, Peter Hocking (2), Elaine Lake (2), Ken Lake (2), John Metcalfe, Leo Shapiro, Janet Slocombe (2), Tim Slocombe (2), Darryl Snyder, Enrico Toscano, Helen Vasilic, and Dave Watson.

**Vice Chair – Availability – Sandy**

Helen reviewed Sandy’s report, stating that often Sandy gets no reply or it is hard to get answers from Meet Directors about which officials and the number of volunteers that they chose to work their meet and a schedule in order to evaluate whether enough officials would be present.

In list format in Sandy’s report, she stated that there were 139 officials in the data base for the last several years. A number of officials were available for the following meets:

Feb. 1	Combined Events & Prep Meet	- 13
Feb. 6	Ontario Relay & Prep Meet #2	- 11
Feb. 21-22	Junior/Senior Championships	- 13
Mar. 7-8	Bantam/Midget/Juvenile Championships	- 13
May 8	10K	- 16
May 31	10K Walk	-14
	4 x 1500 Relays	- 16
June 13 -14	Junior Championships	- 46
July 3 – 5	Seniors/Canada Games	- 53
	Relays	-16
July 25 -26	BMV	- 24
Sept. 20	20K Walk	- 16
Nov. 15	AO Cross-Country Championships	-16

**Treasurer – Dave**

Dave submitted a financial statement as of October 31, 2009. He reported that the Opening Balance of the OOC was \$17,488.576, and there was no Income for the last year. He reported that the Expenses of the OOC were \$18,257.10, with \$3,336.75 in outstanding cheques (yet to be cashed as of the Financial statement date) for the year. The Balance of the OOC account was \$2,568.22. The GIC was changed to a CIBC Bonus Savings account to allow for accessibility and due to low interest returns, and has a balance of \$20,514.42 as of the Financial statement date.

Dave hosted and answered questions and comments about the Financial statement, from members. Elaine again noted that IPRC should be changed to IPC. Jacquie suggested that an Income line be added showing the \$0.00 amount. Tom wanted confirmation about the CIBC account being a savings account and not a GIC. Elaine asked how we could work with no income and suggested that we talk to AO for funds. Ashe asked if it would revert to 25 years ago when AO held the funds and asked when AO stopped donating \$1.00 per entry from the meets. Suzanne explained that AO will approve our budget and will forward funding to cover the approved budget. Mike stated that the \$1.00 per entry was stopped in January 2009, and stated that there was no mention of where it would be directed under AO. Dave stated that we will continue to operate under the old rules for now (as in 2008 -2009).

**Secretary – Lynn**

Lynn reported that the executive met for two meetings during the past year, on May 22<sup>nd</sup> and October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at the Ramada Inn in London. Five members were in attendance for May’s meeting and all six were present in October. Members of the executive were in contact with each other via emails and phone calls, and at track meets over the course of the year.

**Motion:** “To accept all Executive reports as amended.”

Moved by: Tom Read

Seconded by: Richard Zelinka

Action: **Carried**

1 Abstained

## 7.0 Motions

Enrico reported that he heard that one motion would be presented on behalf of AO at our AGM. Suzanne reported that she knew nothing about it.

**MOTION** “That an honorarium of \$1000.00 be given to the OOC Chair for his yearly work.”

Moved by: Tom Read

Seconded by: John Metcalfe

Action: **Carried**

1 Abstained

## 8.0 Elections

Enrico stated which positions were up for elections. Lynn stated that there were 32 voters in the room at present time. Dave nominated Jacquie and Helen as scrutineers, with Helen as Chair of the process. A second vote needed to be held for the Vice Chair – Clinic/Upgrades as there was a tie. Tim Slocombe was nominated for Chair but respectfully declined.

Position	Candidate	Result
Chair	Enrico Toscano	Elected
	John Metcalfe	
Vice Chair – Clinics/Upgrades	Darryl Snyder	Elected
	John Metcalfe	
Secretary	Jan Berneche	Elected
	Lynn Matthews	

**Motion:** “That the ballots be destroyed.”

Moved by: Mike Illingworth

Seconded by: John Metcalfe

Action: **Carried**

## 9.0 New Business

a) Tim withdrew his questions about Travel and World Masters.

b) Tim presented the question: “Is there an official selection process for officials needing upgrading to work out-of-province meets?” Enrico responded that he gives a list of names for positions and will give the levels graded. He also stated that some officials will bypass their Chair and will call the Official Coordinator or Meet Director to be secure an invitation. He reiterated that in Procedures, it is stated to go through the Provincial Chair. If an official is wanted, the co-ordinator will contact the official directly. Enrico stated that every time he is asked for names, he never says no but suggests to call the person.

c) Meet of Excellence - Some discussion ensued about the direct involvement by officials to select officials. Tim wanted to know who held the key positions and how they were chosen. Tim stated that he found it despicable that an ungraded registered official had held a key position, and that something needs to be done about it. It was stated that the University of Toronto wanted to thank their people for their years of service. Larry stated that we have sanctioned meets by AO and that means you can hold AO responsible for accidents, and that you will agree to follow IAAF rules and regulations. Elaine stated that there should be a Technical Delegate for all Championship or National Level meets; that this person should be from Ontario; and that this person can override everyone so can state that a person is not qualified and cannot be used. The technical delegate can override all decisions. Much discussions ensued on this topic with no resolution.

d) Helen congratulated Bill Thompson on competing at the World Masters in Australia. At 80 years young, Bill competed in the 100 m., 200 m., and 400 m. races.

e) John Metcalfe stated that the funding for the Hamilton Spectator Games has been reduced and the organization is in dire financial straits. This may be the last year for the event. The Open athletes do not attend as much anymore.

f) Mike I. asked about the guidelines for the World's selection. None as yet was the reply. People have been told that if you call and volunteer to work a meet, don't expect to get paid or reimbursed as you are offering your services.

g) Enrico announced that Joe Young will be inducted into the Ontario Hall of Fame this year. John Metcalfe informed the members that Joe recently had a stroke and is in a constant care facility, but that Joe still has a sharp mind. John did not know how Joe's wife, Molly was doing.

h) Jacquie thanked Darryl and Lynn for their services over the past two years.

**Motion:** "That the meeting be adjourned."

Moved by: Dave Watson

Seconded by: Everyone

Action: **Carried**

**The meeting was adjourned at 3:39 p.m..**