



BOARD (SPECIAL) MEETING
HELD AT via conference call
DECEMBER 19, 2016 AT 7:30 PM

ATTENDANCE

Board Members:

Lisa Ferdinand
Dean Hustwick
John Stevenson
Joanne Davidson
Ania Ciesielski
Erik Wachman
Nicole Clark
Murray Haines
Chadi Azzi

Staff:

Regrets:

Sarah Boyle

MINUTES

	<i>Items</i>
1.	Appointment of Legal Council
	<p>The Board discussed the appointment of legal counsel to represent the Association against a cross-suit by the City of Toronto. See <i>Letter to Athletics Ontario with retainer dated December 13 2016.docx</i> and <i>RETAINER LETTER Corporate for AO.pdf</i></p> <p>Motion: To appoint SMITHVALERIOTE LAW FIRM as AO legal counsel.</p> <p>Moved: Ania; Second: Murray; Carried</p>
2.	Appeal Letter
	<p>The Board received a letter requesting an appeal of a decision taken by the Board in November 2016 regarding membership with the Association.</p> <p>Action: John Stevenson to respond on behalf of the Board, as soon as possible, outlining the Board's position on its decision.</p>
3.	2017 Hall of Fame Inductees
	<p>A list of the 2017 HoF inductees was received from the HoF committee. See document <i>HoF 2017 names for AO Board (3).docx</i>. The list of nominees was reviewed by the BOD and no issues were expressed.</p> <p>Action: Lisa to direct Staff to share the list of names with Athletics Canada. Any feedback from AC to be shared with both the BOD and HoF committee. The HoF Committee to</p>

	proceed with its work if there are no concerns for AC.
4.	AO High Performance Manager
	<p>The AO High Performance Manager role was eliminated in 2016. As a result, this has created deficiencies in the work carried out by the Association. A recommendation was made to the Board to re-establish the role of AO Manager, High Performance through shared funding with CSIO for 2017 - 2018.</p> <p>Motion: To recreate the AO Manager, High Performance role.</p> <p>Moved: John; Second: Nicole; Carried</p>
5.	Revisions to PnP - Cross Country Distances
	<p>A recommendation was received from staff and the Technical Committee regarding amendments to cross-country distances. See <i>Briefing Note - AO 2017 PnP Changes.docx</i></p> <p>Action: Lisa to ask Randolph to update briefing document to provide more background on why this change is being suggested. BOD vote to be held electronically by end of day Thursday.</p>
6.	Election of Officers
	<p>The BOD Election of Officers will be will facilitated by Paul Osland this week. Nominations and voting will be conducted via email and results will be forwarded to the Board once tabulated.</p> <p>Action: Lisa to send out description of Executive Committee roles and responsibilities.</p>
7.	Meeting Adjournment
	<p>Motion - To adjourn the meeting at 8:41PM</p> <p>Moved: Ania; Second: John; Carried</p>

 Lisa Ferdinand, Chair

 Date