



**Annual General Meeting Minutes**  
**Meeting Check-in starts at 9:30 am**  
**Sunday December 4, 2022 – 10:00 am-11:30 am**

**Zoom**

Date of Meeting:	December 4, 2022	Location:	Zoom Conference Call
Minutes Prepared By:	Kelvin Cheng, OVA	Time:	10:00 A.M.

<b>ONTARIO VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS</b>	
Katie Hutchinson	OVA President
Bridget Child	Vice President Finance/Treasurer
Daphne Choi	Vice President Administration/Secretary
Danny Gosselin	Regional Council Director
Corinne Williams	Director-at-Large
Michael Amoroso	Director-at-Large
Kelsey Orth*	Director-at-Large
Howie Grossinger	Director-at-Large
Victoria Altomare*	Athletes Representative
<b>NOMINATION COMMITTEE</b>	
Corinne Williams	OVA Board Director-at-Large
<b>ONTARIO VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION STAFF</b>	
Jo-Anne Ljubicic	Executive Director
Jennifer Harkness	Director of Finance & Administration

\*not in attendance

## AGM Agenda

1. Call to order
  - a. Katie calls meeting to order
  - b. Kerish completes the land acknowledgment
2. Establishment of Quorum
  - a. 30 voting members confirmed by Alishia Lidums, quorum established
  - b. Introduction of board members by Katie Hutchison
3. Introduction of Scrutineers
  - a. Suzanne Wallace & Lauren Breadner will act as scrutineers
  - b. Introduction of staff by Jo-Anne
4. Approval of the Agenda

**MOTION 1: To approve the Agenda.**

**Tauri Caputo/Vishnu Persaud  
CARRIED**

The Motion was voted on and passed, with no abstentions.

5. Declaration of any Conflicts of Interest
  - a. Katie asks for any declarations of Conflict of Interest to put in the chat
  - b. None indicated
6. Adoption of Minutes of the previous Annual Meeting
  - a. Vote through Simply Voting
  - b. Katie announces adoption of minutes approved (1 abstention)
7. Presentation of the Annual Report
  - a. Thank you to the community for keeping sport going during challenging times
8. Report of Auditor
  - a. Presentation of financial statements, balance sheet and income statement
  - b. Clean audit opinion
  - c. \$95,423 deficiency of revenue over expenditure
  - d. No management recommendations
  - e. Balance sheet – lots of cash in the bank but also a lot of liabilities
    - i. \$490K payable to members, cumulative regional money
    - ii. Accounts receivable
      1. Previous year, lots of government COVID subsidies
      2. None this year
  - f. Income statement
    - i. \$95K deficit, we had projected over \$200K deficit

- ii. Youth indoor competition lost over \$400K
      - 1. Facilities were 75% of expenses vs 30% on a regular year
    - iii. Use of contingency fund to support youth competitions which is what it's meant for
  - g. From the Chair Bridget Child, thanks to Jen Harkness, John Nguyen and David Woods for being part of the Finance Committee
9. Appointment of Auditor
- a. Recommendation by the finance committee to stay with MacNeill Edmundson as auditor
  - b. They work with a lot of other PSOs
  - c. Voting completed on Simply Voting
  - d. Appointment of auditor approved announced by Katie ( 1 abstention)
10. New Business (if necessary)
- a. Hudson Travel Group
    - i. How was hotel provider Hudson Travel Group contracted?
      - 1. RFP process, received bid from 3 companies, reviewed and evaluated, system demos, selected Nov 2019
    - ii. How long is the current contract arrangement in place? When is the next opportunity to seek out an alternative provider?
      - 1. Contract in place until Aug 31, 2026
      - 2. Extended due to COVID, had to secure hotels for 2023
      - 3. Funding and discounts for convention centre events rely on commissions from hotels
      - 4. RFP will be released in 2024 for the next selection of hotel provider
    - iii. Will the association clearly state events are stay-to-play?
      - 1. Be more clear about stay-to-play
      - 2. Will be stay-to-play moving forward
      - 3. Need to report tourism and provide economic impact information
      - 4. Secure enough hotel rooms
      - 5. Only for convention centre events
      - 6. Need an actual service provider that can handle volume to provide quality service for our members
11. Approve By-Law Amendments
- a. Thank you to Paul Bonfigli for help with by-law amendments
  - b. Changes last year to by-law required by ONCA vs. Ontario Corporations Act
  - c. Changes are procedural and updating language to reflect ONCA, no major changes for members
  - d. Governance committee's recommendation to approve amendments

- i. One new by-law – if no eligible candidates for new position, association can establish new deadline provided no later than 5 days
- ii. Allow for appointment of directors if a spot becomes vacant
- iii. Board size and flexibility - 7-11 board members
  - 1. Does not mean the board can add or remove members, will still have to come back to membership to increase or decrease
- iv. Definition of a vacancy
- e. Voting completed on Simply Voting
- f. Katie announces by-law amendments are approved

#### 12. Approve Articles of Amendment

- a. Voting completed on Simply Voting
- b. Katie announces articles of amendment are approved

#### 13. Election of new Directors

- a. Vice-President Finance/Treasurer
  - i. Posted but no applications
  - ii. Will still be looking for someone with CPA or finance background
  - iii. Bridget Child outgoing
- b. Director at Large
  - i. 4 candidates applied
    - 1. Michael Amoroso, Alan Boric, Leigh Pearson, Tristian Reid
  - ii. Each candidate gets to speak, and then the vote will occur
    - 1. Michael Amoroso running for a second term
      - a. Long time OVA member, OVA athlete and coach, Team O, OUA, played professionally, working in grassroots programs in Warton and Bluewater Ballistix, working to promote the sport through media and Momentum
    - 2. Alan would like to help expand the sport of volleyball, club coach for many years
    - 3. Leigh Pearson – parent of athlete, director at Staples, many transferable skills that would be valuable to OVA board
    - 4. Tristian Reid not in attendance
  - iii. Voting for 2 positions, 1 position at a time on Simply Voting
    - 1. 1<sup>st</sup> vote – all 4 candidates on the ballot
    - 2. 2<sup>nd</sup> vote – remaining candidates will be on the second ballot
  - iv. Corinne makes a last call for votes
  - v. Leigh Pearson announced as the new director at large
- c. And a second, Director at Large
  - i. Corinne announces last call for voting
  - ii. Michael Amoroso announced as 2<sup>nd</sup> director at large

#### 14. Adjournment

- a. Thank you from Katie to outgoing board members
- b. Next AGM date Dec 3, 2023 to be confirmed. Meeting notice will be posted as per by-laws

Attendance List

**Voting Members**

Alan Borcic  
Alex Park  
Amanda King  
Amy Zou  
Andrew Aldworth  
Antonio Cuciarello  
Brenda Willis  
Carole Berthiaume  
Danielle Cormier  
David Culin  
Don Morton  
Elaina Clark  
Irving Ho  
Jason Evans  
John Curtis  
Kathryn Deline  
Kelvin Hui  
Laura McLennan  
Leigh Pearson  
Lisa Davis  
Lou Chabot  
Michelle Eecloo  
Nikita Lebedev  
Paul Bonfigli  
Rebecca Grsidale  
Reza Asgarpour  
Richard Beedham  
Sharon Forgie  
Shaun Illingworth  
Shawn Kao  
Tauri Caputo  
Tim Ciszkowski  
Tristian Reid  
Vishnu Persaud  
Zoe Prassoulis

**Non-Voting Members**

**Board Members:**

Katie Hutchinson

Danny Gosselin

Howie Grossinger

Michael Amoroso

Corinne Williams

Bridget Child

Daphne Choi

**Non voting members**

Christine Chicoine

Asal Seif Ghazi

Avid Eshraghi

Tiffany Miller

**OVA Staff**

Jo-Anne Ljubicic

Jennifer Harkness

Alishia Lidums

Loui-Pierre Mainville

Carrie Campbell

Suzanne Wallace

Chery Bennett

Dylan Brennand

Kerish Maharj

Mario Rando

Oklend Llakaj

Kelvin Cheng

Mark Wiersma

Jacob Barker

Lauren Breadner

Angie Shen