



CURLING CANADA

2016

NATIONAL CURLING CONGRESS

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JUNE 15 - 18, 2016
OVERVIEW**

OPENING OF CONFERENCE: JUNE 15

The conference opened with an orientation session conducted by Governor Resby Coutts. This session was to acquaint new Member Association representatives with the procedures of the National Curling Congress and brief them regarding the fundamentals of Policy Governance.

Introductions and Welcome

Chair Hugh Avery welcomed everyone to the NAV Centre in Cornwall, Ontario, and had each person introduce himself/herself and identify his/her affiliation with the sport of curling.

He then introduced Keynote Speaker – Dr. Richard Leblanc, an award-winning educator, lawyer and consultant who gave an address regarding “Behaviors That Can Make or Break Your Board”.

You Tube Link for Keynote Address: <https://youtu.be/WvZS-9Pclsw?t=1m48s>

Introduction of Candidates Standing for Election

Two candidates, Angela Hodgson (PE) and John Shea (ON), were introduced by their respective Member Association reps and provided with the opportunity to address the delegates.

INFORMATION AND WORKING SESSIONS: JUNE 15 - 18

Link:

https://drive.google.com/folderview?id=0B_ZmENnmWIZxMGFsUUx3VWhDWXM&usp=sharing

Sessions:

- Constitution Review Committee
- Events Model Review Committee
- Governance Review Committee
- 2016-2017 Business Plan
- Curling Registration and Management System
- Curling Canada Brand Video
- Curling Canada Juniors Video (produced by TSN)
- Youth Feeder System
- Sandra Schmirler Foundation Presentation

**CURLING CANADA
NATIONAL CURLING CONGRESS – BUSINESS SESSION
NAV CENTRE, CORNWALL, ONTARIO
FRIDAY, JUNE 17, 2016**

Meeting Chair: Hugh Avery

ATTENDANCE:

Member Association Voting Delegates

Susan Curtis (NF and Labrador)
Harold Walters (NF and Labrador)
Catherine MacLean (New Brunswick)
David Burpee (New Brunswick)
Michael Szajewski (Northern Ontario)
Steve Meunier (Northern Ontario)
John Shea (Ontario)
Ian Tetley (Ontario)
Sam Antila (Manitoba)
Matt Pilloud (Manitoba)
Joan Westgard (Alberta)
Brenda Asmussen (Alberta)
Janie Hobart (Northwest Territories)
Cheryl Hval (Northwest Territories)

Harry Daemen (Nova Scotia)
Cathy Dalziel (Nova Scotia)
Angela Hodgson (Prince Edward Island)
Amy Duncan (Prince Edward Island)
Jean Lamère (Quebec)
Serge Brazeau (Quebec)
Patricia Yeske (Saskatchewan)
Mitch Minken (Saskatchewan)
Paul Addison (British Columbia)
Scott Braley (British Columbia)
Ellen Johnson (Yukon)
Laura Eby (Yukon)
Peter Mackey (Nunavut) - *also carried proxy for
Karen Costello*

Curling Canada Board

Hugh Avery, Chair
Peter Inch, Vice Chair
Cindy Maddock, Governor
Lena West, Governor
Ron Hutton, Governor

Scott Comfort, Governor
Shirley Osborne, Governor
Maureen Miller, Governor
Resby Coutts, Governor
Cathy Hughes, Governor

Observers

Ashley Howard (CURLSASK)
Craig Baker (CurlMB)
Marg Maranda (NBCA)
Marc-André Robitaille (Curling Quebec)
Steven Indig (Parliamentarian)
Nolan Thiessen (Athlete Rep)

Stephen Chenier (NOCA)
Leslie Kerr (NOCA)
Stephen Chenier (OCA)
Mike Carson (Masters)
Helen Radford (Program Coordinator)
Lisa Weagle (Athlete Rep)

Curling Canada Staff

Katherine Henderson, CEO
Pat Ray, COO
Gord McNabb
Karen Ryan

Gerry Peckham
Al Cameron
Danny Lamoureux

1.0 CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

On Friday, June 17 at 1:30 p.m. Chair Hugh Avery called the Business Session of the 2016 National Curling Congress to order and reviewed a number of guidelines for the delegates that would facilitate the progress of the meeting. Delegates were reminded that, following the reading of each Notice of Motion by CEO Katherine Henderson, they would have an opportunity to discuss the notices of motion before a vote was taken. Steven Indig, Parliamentarian, was in attendance to address any questions that came forward regarding procedure.

2.0 NOTICES OF MOTION

1) INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE

MOTION: NCC 2016.01

Moved by Scott Braley (Curl BC), seconded by John Shea (OCA), that the Individual Membership Fee (IMF) pilot program originally scheduled to take place during the 2015-2016 season be extended to include the 2016-2017 season. The IMF implementation would, therefore, take place in the 2017-2018 season following the 2016-2017 pilot review.

MOTION TO AMEND:

Moved by Lena West (CC Governor), seconded by Cindy Maddock (CC Governor), that the term Individual Membership Fee (IMF) be replaced by the term Curling Registration and Management System.

MOTION TO AMEND:

CARRIED

AMENDED MOTION:

CARRIED

2) MIXED DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP

NOTICE OF MOTION #2: NCC 2016.02

Moved by Janie Hobart (NWTCA), seconded by Angela Hodgson (PEICA), that the Canadian Mixed Doubles Championship continue to be held in the 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 curling seasons and, further, that this event not be subject to competitor fees applicable to other championships.

CARRIED

3) CHANGE IN AGE AT THE CANADIAN SENIORS

NOTICE OF MOTION #3: NCC 2016.03

Moved by Laura Eby (YCA), seconded by John Shea (OCA), that the age eligibility for the Canadian Seniors be changed from 50 years of age and over as of December 31st of the prior year to "50 years of age and older as of and including June 30th of the year prior to the Canadian Senior Championships". The age eligibility will be in effect for the 2017 Canadian Seniors and onwards. Therefore, athletes eligible for the 2017 Canadian Seniors will have to be born on or before June 30, 1966.

CARRIED

4) CURLING CANADA BY-LAWS**NOTICE OF MOTION #4: NCC 2016.04**

Moved by Resby Coutts (CC Governor), seconded by Paul Addison (Curl BC), that following a presentation by the Constitution Review Committee (CRC) and discussion with Member Associations at the March 2016 Governance meeting and, following a presentation by the Constitution Review Committee (CRC) and discussion with Member Associations at the 2016 National Curling Congress, any amendments to the Curling Canada Bylaws endorsed by the membership be approved.

CARRIED

5) ESTABLISHMENT OF A CANADIAN UNDER 18 CHAMPIONSHIP**NOTICE OF MOTION #5: NCC 2016. 05**

Moved by Harold Walters (NLCA), seconded by Cheryl Hval (NWTCA), that Curling Canada operate and manage a Canadian Under 18 Championship, commencing in the 2016-2017 season.

CARRIED

Noted for the Meeting Record:

By consensus the delegates confirmed their understanding that by approving Notice of Motion #5, they also endorsed the format for the event as presented in the background document circulated in the NCC meeting package.

6) FORMAT CHANGE FOR THE BRIER AND TOURNAMENT OF HEARTS

As a result of consultation and the input received from the delegates on Thursday during the presentation of background information regarding new formats for the Brier and Tournament of Hearts, a suggestion from senior staff to make a change regarding the 16th team was presented. Discussion resulted in the following motion being brought forward.

MOTION: NCC 2016.06

Moved by Janie Hobart (NWTCA), seconded by Harry Daemen (NSCA), that the 16 teams to be included in the new format for the Brier and Tournament of Hearts consist of:

- 14 Member Associations teams,
- Team Canada; and
- the highest ranked team on the CTRS on the day after provincial/territorial championships are completed, be invited to be the 16th team in each of the respective events. The team will need to have qualified for the final level in their provincial/territorial playdown process in order to accept the invitation.

CARRIED

MOTION: NCC 2016. 07

Moved by Ellen Johnson (YCA), seconded by Janie Hobart (NWTCA), that the format of play presented for the Canadian Men's (Brier) and Canadian Women's (Scotties) Curling Championships be approved for implementation commencing in the 2017-2018 season.

CARRIED

3.0 BUSINESS ARISING

There was no business arising.

4.0 ADJOURNMENT

Having dealt with all items on the agenda, Sam Antila (CurlMB) moved, Laura Eby (YCA) seconded, that the Business Session of the 2016 NCC adjourn.