



CFF Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

January 28, 2024, 11AM EST

1. Roll Call and Introductions

Present:

Yann Bernard (President)

John French (Vice President)

Chris Kalantzis (Secretary)

Luc Thériault (Treasurer)

Monique Kavelaars

Alexanne Verret (regrets)

Judit Blasko (regrets)

David Howes

Igor Gantsevich

Kelleigh Ryan

Jean-Yves Pelletier - Quebec

Francesco Sabatini - Ontario

Theodore Norvell - Newfoundland

Kathryn Howe - New Brunswick

Sue Pitura - Saskatchewan

Richard Bezemer - Alberta

2. Approval of Agenda

The approval of the Agenda was moved by Luc Thériault, seconded by Monique Kavelaars. Motion approved.



3. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

None.

4. Approval of Previous Minutes: October 2023

Yann Bernard made two small revisions to the October 2023 Minutes.

It was moved by John French, seconded by Luc Thériault, to approve the October 2023 Minutes. Motion approved.

5. Update from President

Yann Bernard provided an update to the members on the current state of the organization.

The FIE General Assembly met in Egypt. Yann Bernard gave a summary of the meeting.

The World Cup in Vancouver was extremely successful and was called outstanding. Thanks and congratulations to the organizers. Canada is still known as a good organizing country.

The next AGM at the FIE will be the elections and campaigning has already started.

Looking at opportunities to host a second World Cup in Canada, either a Satellite or a Junior World Cup.

Thanks to the staff of the CFF for going above and beyond.

6. E-votes

There was one e-vote to allocate funds for an internship proposed by the Coaching Committee.

7. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the Minutes.



8. New Business

8.1. Executive Director Report

David Howes reported on the current state of the organization.

Gave an update on the finances of the CFF.

Membership is looking good compared to last year.

Vancouver Canada Cup was phenomenal and had a lot of registrants.

We will be working on Nationals as well as the schedule for next season.

We were approved for a grant from Sport Canada for sport governance.

Gave an update on Sport Canada and the CFF.

8.2. High Performance Director Report

Igor Gantsevich reported that we have had excellent results over the past few months.

This was our best Pan Am Games in history. We had the most medals of any country.

8.3. Finance Report

Luc Thériault provided an updated on the finances of the organization.

A surplus is expected for the end of this fiscal year.

Preparation for the 2024 Paris Olympics was discussed.

8.4. Veteran Age Categories

Yann Bernard reported on an email from Judit Blasko suggesting that the CFF change the definition of veteran due to changes at the FIE.

8.5. Committee Updates



Medical Committee: Luc Thériault gave an update on the work of the committee.

Coaching Committee: Luc Thériault gave an update on the work of the committee.

Parafencing Committee: Yann Bernard reported that the committee is not active at the moment.

Gender Equity Committee: David Howes reported on the activity of the committee.

9. Update from Provinces

Alberta: Richard Bezemer gave an update on Alberta.

Saskatchewan: Sue Pitura gave an update on Saskatchewan.

Ontario: Francesco Sabatini gave an update on Ontario.

Quebec: Jean-Yves Pelletier gave an update on Quebec.

New Brunswick: Kathryn Howe gave an update on New Brunswick.

Newfoundland: Theodore Norvell gave an update on Newfoundland.

Next meeting dates

March 17, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. (postponed to April 28, 2024)