



# ONTARIO EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION

Ontario Equestrian Federation – Annual General Meeting  
Meeting Minutes  
September 10, 2015 – 6:00pm  
Mohawk Raceway, Campbellville, ON.

**Attendance:** *see attached attendance sheets*

**Minutes taken by:** Angelique Homan

**Call to order:** by Allan Ehrlick @ 5:59pm

\*\*It was announced that the pen was on and recording for the duration of the meeting.

## 1 – Opening Remarks – Allan Ehrlick, *President*

- Introduction of all current OEF Board of Directors in attendance
- Introduction of all OEF Staff

## 2 – Welcome/Approval of Agenda

- Add item to #9 - Other Business – *Amended OEF By-law regarding quorum*

**Motion** – to approve agenda as amended, for the September 10, 2015 OEF Annual General Meeting

**First:** Sara Runnalls

**Second:** Jean Szkotnicki

**Carried**

**Motion** – to approve minutes from the 2014 OEF Annual General Meeting

**First:** Valerie Shipp

**Second:** Marc Nicols

**Carried**

## 3 – Business Arising

- No business arose from previous AGM minutes

## 4 – President's Address

- Overview of the 2015 Pan-Am Games, Equestrian events
- Update on some new marketing opportunities – Melissa Monardo give Marketing presentation later
- 2015 membership numbers are down slightly
- Due to medical issues, Allan Ehrlick will have a lesser role on board but will still stay on the board and be involved as much as possible

## 5 – Executive Director's Report (*Presented by Melissa Monardo, OEF Marketing Manager*)

- Overview of 2015 Membership Survey – *copy of survey was provided as a handout to all attendees*
- Picov's Horseman Centre generously donated a gift card as an incentive to complete the survey – gift card was awarded to one lucky winner in a random draw
- Upon completion of Melissa's presentation, the floor was opened up for questions – many good questions, constructive feedback and new ideas were discussed





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## 9 – New Business

- Added - Amendment to the OEF By-law 4.8 regarding Quorum – *this was provided as a handout to all attendees*

**Previously, the by-law read:** A quorum at any meeting of the Members (unless a greater number of Members are required to be present by the Act) shall be a majority of the Members present at the meeting. No business shall be transacted at any meeting of members unless quorum is present. Quorum shall include people present in person or represented by proxy.

**At the Board of Directors meeting on September 8, 2015, the Board made a motion to approve that the by-law be changed to state the following:** Quorum – A quorum at any meeting of the Members shall be thirty (30) Members present or represented by proxy. No business shall be transacted at any meeting of Members unless quorum is present. A proxyholder may represent only one (1) Member.

**Motion** – Be it resolved that, as approved by the Board of Directors, By-Law No. 1 be amended to set quorum for a meeting of Members at thirty (30) and to specify that an individual may be a proxyholder for only one (1) Member.

**First:** Marc Nicols

**Second:** Jean Skzotnicki

**Carried**

- It was asked how many members there are currently – *as of Monday, 20,494 members, there were 21,432 members in 2014*
- It was asked if there was any other business – no additional business was brought forward

**Action Item** – Suggestion from floor to invite Equine Canada's CEO to the 2016 OEF Annual General Meeting

## 10 – Announcement of Election Results

- Allan Ehrlick presented the results from the appointed scrutineers for the election of the following Directors to the Board of the Ontario Equestrian Federation:
  - Peter Chiddy – 2-year term
  - Sabine Schleese – 1-year term
  - Valerie Shipp – 2-year term
  - Dagmar Teubner – 2-year term
  - Jean Skzotnicki – 2-year term
  - Sheila Wright – 1-year term

**Motion** – to destroy the election ballots

**First:** John Northcott

**Second:** Marc Nicols

**Carried**

## 11- Adjournment

**Motion** – to adjourn the meeting

**First:** Marc Nicols

**Second:** Valerie Shipp

**Carried**

**Meeting adjourned @ 7:40pm**