



Attendance:

See attached attendance sheet

Minutes taken by: Brandon Hall

Call to order – Mark Nelson – 06:15 p.m.

** It was announced that the recording pen is on until the meeting is adjourned

1. Opening Remarks

- Mark Nelson welcomed everyone to the 2016 OEF AGM
- Mark introduced the current directors of the board
- Mark introduced the OEF Staff
- Gave thanks to our special guests in attendance
 - o Barbara Lyon Stewart – Ministry of Tourism Culture and Sport
 - o Gayle Ecker – Director of Equine Guelph

2. Secretaries Report – Registration and Quorum – Pam Coburn

- The date of registration for members to vote at the AGM is Aug 31st 2016.
- Quorum is confirmed

3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting – September 30th, 2015

Motion: to approve the minutes of the previous meeting September 30th, 2015.

Moved: Pam Hope **Second:** Jean Skotnicki **Carried**

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

- No business arising from the previous minutes

5. President's Address – Mark Nelson

- Mark Nelson reviewed his year as the President of the OEF
- *Please see attached for the Presidents report*
- No questions came from the floor

6. Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport (MTCS) Report – Barbara Lyon-Stewart, Sport Consultant

- Barbara thanked the board for inviting her
- Barbara has been the OEF's consultant for 6 years
- Barbara reviewed sport over the past 40 years and where we need to be today
- Barbara thanked the President, Directors and OEF staff for their hard work over the past year
- No questions came from the floor

7. Presentation of Financial Statements and Auditors Report - Year ending December 31, 2015

- Presented by Peter Chiddy
- Peter reviewed the audited statements
 - No questions came from the floor

Motion: to receive the financial report and the auditor's report for the year ending December 31, 2015

Moved: Dagmar Teubner **Second:** Mark Nelson **Carried**

8. Deferral of Appointment of Auditors

- We will be going out to tender for our next auditor

- Within the next quarter, the board will come back to the membership to appoint the new auditors at a special meeting for this vote.

9. Report of Nominations and Governance Committee

- Purpose is to solicit new directors and review candidates
- Development of new skills and attributes that the OEF would like in directors for the OEF board
- An inventory of skills was listed for current directors on the board
- 10 directors at large and 5 were appointed by different bodies (Competitions, recreation, associations, etc.)

10. Election of Directors:

- Through the OEF's new bylaws, they changed this boards format
- There is now a 3-4year period of change to have 9 members (odd number) to ensure there isn't a tie in any votes
- We needed more skills from government relations, corporate contacts and board experience at the NGO level.
- We had 4 applicants, with one applicant withdrawing and 3 positions available. This was the result of an acclimation.
- The 3 new board members are:
 - o Mark Nelson
 - o Christine Reupke
 - o Wendy Harris
- The next board meeting will immediately follow the 2016 AGM.

Question from the floor:

- What happens with the relationships of the Associations and Recreation committees?
 - o The OEF will continue to have a relationship with these groups through the administration of our programs, rather than unique relationships with individual organizations.
- Gayle Ecker from Equine Guelph thanked the OEF for the support for research contribution.

11. Adjournment - upon proper motion the meeting was adjourned at 7:15p.m.