

**MISSISSAUGA CANOE CLUB**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, OCTOBER 23, 2021**

**Call to order:** 1:13pm

Meeting chaired by Angie LaFontaine, Commodore.

Attendees: Julie and Andy Skeoch, Meredith and Michael Erochko, Sharie Giovanniello, Colleen and Damian Lozada, Susan and John Nicholson, Geoff Laplante, Eric Weiss, Shari Mogoch, Helen Filipe and Alex Rocha, Andrew Mollard, Judy Tutty, Nat Guimond, Evan Bezemer, Tamara Vucina, Jessica McLeod, Kyle Jeffery, Angie LaFontaine, Karen Chopra, Tamara Vucina, Gerald Grant, Rachel Teplicky, Douglas Ellery

Tamara first for approval minutes Jessica second

**Determination of quorum:** quorum is present with attendance and proxies

**Introduction of Board Members 2021-2022:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Portfolio</b>
Angie LaFontaine	Commodore
Vacant	Communications/Marketing, Vice Commodore
Andrew Mollard	Registrar
Andy Skeoch	Property
Nat Guimond	Equipment
Tamara Vucina	Volunteers
Jessica McLeod	Fundraising
Geoff Laplante	Coaching
Vacant	Special Events
Evan Bezemer	Athletes Rep
Karen Chopra	Secretary

**Approval of Minutes, 2020 AGM:** Motioned by Angie LaFontaine, seconded by Jessica McLeod. Motion passed.

**Review of the Club's Annual Report** – Financial report included in Annual Report. no questions or comments

**Election of new Board** – The Special Events position is still vacant. The Board approved candidate Lisa Djurfeldt in the Marketing position. Chis Stringer is no longer on the Board. We would like to thank him for leading us through Covid. He has been of huge service to the club through a challenging period and we would like to thank him as well as his wife Janet. The position of Commodore is being filled by Angie LaFontaine. The Board unanimously approved Angie taking over this role. Membership approved of Slate of Candidates for 2022.

**Other business** – We would like to open the floor for other discussion points, Question on spring training by Helen Filipe – Coach Doug will release this in the next few days. Anticipate mid march to early April in Florida for spring training.

The club will be staying with the current auditor firm.

Comments - Andy Skeoch – There will be a lot of updates to the river that may be disruptive at first but will be a huge benefit to the club in the future.

### **Bylaw amendments – Hall of Fame Program**

There has been an addition to the explanation of the Hall of Fame Committee meant to represent the athletes, coaches and life members of the club.

#### ***Proposed Bylaw amendments***

- 1. Clarification under section 4.4; HOF are awarded to athletes and coaches.***
- 2. Life members are inducted by the HOF***
- 3. Define Hall of Fame role***

*Proposed:*

*4.2 Hall of Fame Members (HOF): These members are inducted by the Hall of Fame committee. HOF general principal member guidelines include: Athletes and coaches for achieving outstanding standards of performance, a long-standing member of MCC, character and citizenship are exemplary, sportsmanship serves as a model for other members, displays an unwavering pride in being a member of the Mississauga Canoe Club.*

*4.3 Life Members: A Life Member shall retain all Club privileges. These members are inducted by the Hall of Fame committee. General principal Life Member guidelines include: long-standing club service, significant contributions to the growth and well-being of the club, outstanding commitment to club programming, enrichment of club tradition and culture, and/or for unprecedented club spirit.*

*Addition: Hall of Fame Committee (HOF): The committee is tasked to induct life members (4.3) and Hall of Fame members (4.4). The committee is a group of 5 members that represent the club's history,*

*both male and female representation, as well as both canoe and kayak disciplines. There is no required duration for tenure; if a HOF committee member chooses to step down, the remaining members shall nominate a replacement.*

Question was asked about how the committee was identified. Angie LaFontaine - Currently the committee is composed of both kayak and canoe representative. Suggestion was made to change the last sentence of the bylaw amendment to reflect that if someone leaves the Hall of Fame Committee, the Board has to approve any new member. Motion to amend the last sentence requiring Board approval - Eric Weiss, seconded by Even Bezemer. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 1:33 pm.