



# CANSPEI

Camping Association of NS & PEI

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May 26, 2022 @ 6:30pm Annual General Meeting Agenda

6:30pm Welcome/Land Acknowledgement – Mat Whynott  
Poll & Intro to COVID

**Mat** started the conversation at 1834

Present: **Donna MacPherson (CANSPEI), Jules Lawrence (CANSPEI/Sherbrooke Lake), Lara Abramson (CANSPEI), Mat Whynott (CANSPEI), Sharon Howatt (Camp Abegweit) Tiffany MacInnis (Brigadoon Village), Julia Richard (Canoe Cove), Bob Howell (JCP), David Throop (Camp Pagweak) Janice Noble (Kidston) Matt Sheriko (Camp Triumph)**

**Lara** and **Jules** hosting a quick poll

- What does COVID protocols look like for you/ your camp
- Brigadoon, high risk population so capacity is guided by registrants, less folks applied
- Kidston, small areas to squeeze in so 75 - 9%
- Brigadoon & Sherbrooke masking with pick up and drop off
- Tidnish and Brigadoon is mandatory vaccines
- Brigadoon is asking for rapid 24h prior or if not available on site, with symptoms and weekly with staff
- Tidnish has accessed Rapid tests through Red Cross, similar to Brigadoon, staff to test the day before camper's arrive ("Day 0")
- **Julia R** said it's a conversation that is ongoing, but now with updates on PEI looking to discuss this. Interested in the Red Cross program for testing as they offer shorter camps that are more frequent
- **Sharon H** hasn't discussed this either as things are changing so quickly, but nothing is set in place.
- **Jules** then shared the Return to Camp Recommendations

7pm AGM Meeting Call to Order by **Mat Whynott** at 1906 & Welcome

- Approval of the Agenda
  - Motioned by **Janice** and Seconded by **David Throop. Carried**
- Minutes of the 2021 AGM .
  - Motioned by **Tiffany** and Seconded by **Sharon. Carried.**
- Board Reports of Committee Reports of President's Report
  - Finances - **Lara** to speak to this during the 2021-2022 Statements
  - Education and Grants - **Lara** noted that 2020, 2021 there was minimal work here due to COVID and minimal grant applications were needed. However, more on the board for 2022
  - Health Committee - **Lara, Tiffany & Jules** worked on a document that supported that opening last year.
    - CANSPEI worked very hard to work with the province to open camps last year. Multiple meetings that informed the province on how to open camps.
  - Membership Marketing and Awards - **Mat, Matt & Donna**, we welcomed new member camps, facilitated 6 town halls, communications with our camps, talked a lot about a "Work at Camp" Campaign to be done for future
  - Accreditation - **Amelia, Jules and Janice**, accreditation is mostly pushed out due to COVID to 2023, but there will be more to update on for next year
  - Moved to accept reports - motioned by **Lara**, seconded by **Matt. Carried.**
- President's Report
  - **Mat** thanked all Board Members for their support through his presidency and especially thanked Trent and Donna due to their work and acknowledged their movement on from CANSPEI Board work.
  - Finishing our 5 year funding from the province (\$30,000), and we have applied for the next 5 years. There was a large amount of work that went into this by **Lara Abramson**.
  - **Lara** and **Mat** met with CCTH to support the conversation with CANSPEI and them to help advocate for our funds. Previously we received the top tier of funding, we have re-applied for 2023 - 2028. **Lara** motioned to move the report, **Jules** seconded. **Carried.**
- Review of 2021-22 Financial Statements
  - Posted on CANSPEI website for all member to access
  - **Lara** noted that SportNS supports us in much of the administrative, bookkeeping works and reconciliation. **Amelia** worked closely with our accountant Nick
  - No membership fees were collected x 2 years
  - Some expenses still required such as taxes, contracts, insurance & administrative expenses, bookkeeping fees and stocks

- Zoom account that is open to all member
- **Lara** motioned to move the statements as presented, **Tiffany** seconded that. **Carried.**
- 2022-23 Budget Presentation
  - Budget done by **Amelia** with board approval and presented by **Lara**. Similar to 2021.
  - Returning to ask for membership fees
  - Will most likely have training income for this year
  - We have increased the Accreditation budget for 2023 as there will be more camps who need this and the travel will reflect this
  - Increase training budget as there is more being offered, even just in June
  - Increased some expenses for the media campaign for “Work at Camp” in our PR/Marketing budget
    - **Mat** noted that part of the CANSPEI fee pays for part of National Organization (CCA) but due to CCA’s readdressing of such the ~\$2000 will not be required to be paid, therefore the income collected from camps that form this income will be reabsorbed into programming. This needs to be reflected within the proposed budget.
  - **Lara** motioned to move the statements with the amendments as noted by **Mat** above. **Donna** seconded the motion. **Carried.**
- Nominations for Directors & Officers for the 2022-23 Fiscal Year
  - **Mat** presented the proposed slate of Officers and Directors for CANSPEI 2022-2023

### Proposed Slate of Officers and Directors 2022-23

POSITION	NAME	COMMITTEE
President	Lara Abramson	Finance, Education & Grants, Health
Vice-President	Mat Whynott	Membership, Marketing & Awards, CCA Liaison
Treasurer	Amelia Campbell	Finance, Accreditation
Secretary	Julia Lawrence	Accreditation, Health
Director	Tiffany McInnis	Education & Grants
Director	Russell Prime	Membership, Marketing & Awards
Director	Janice Noble	Membership, Marketing & Awards
Director	Matt Sheriko	Membership, Marketing & Awards
Director	Roxy Peterson	

- **Mat** put the call out for nominations three times.
- **Jules** motioned to close nominations. **David** seconded this. **Carried.**
- **David** motioned to approve the slate as presented. **Matt** seconded. **Carried.**
- **Janice** motioned to approve the board to replace any vacancies throughout the year as required. **Lara** seconded this. **Carried.**

- New Business

- CCA

- **Mat** noted that there's been a breakdown of the CCA and a re-visioning is coming. As the VP, **Mat** will be the representative at this level
    - There was a consult to figure out if there needs to be a dissipation of CCA or re-visioning and over the next year there will be some re-working of this with hopefully

- Courses

- We have a full course of 22 people who will be participating in the CANSPEI Canoe Course at Sherbrooke Lake Camp June 3 - 5th
    - Hike NS and CANSPEI workshop June 11th in Halifax which helps to teach folks how to facilitate being in nature. Subsidizing the course to \$20 for CANSPEI Members. Watch emails for registration.
    - Bob Howell is going to be hosting a low ropes course at JCP in works with CANSPEI.

- Adjournment

- **Mat** motioned to adjourn the meeting at 1944

Roundtable Discussion- Your camp and how it's going