



ALBERTA FENCING ASSOCIATION  
Annual General Meeting- Minutes  
November 26, 2016 10:00 am  
Alberta Sports Hall of Fame

**1. Roll Call/Introductions**

- a) Andrew Rusheleau (SSC vote) [info@sabreclub.ca](mailto:info@sabreclub.ca)
- b) Thomas Usher (RDFC) Thomas. [Usher@rdc.ab.ca](mailto:Usher@rdc.ab.ca)
- c) Ken Trumble (Epic FC vote) [ktrumble@shaw.ca](mailto:ktrumble@shaw.ca)
- d) Cameron Griffiths (UOA vote) [cdg1@ualberta.ca](mailto:cdg1@ualberta.ca)
- e) David Cymbaluk (WRFC) [odynne@aol.com](mailto:odynne@aol.com)
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- g) Michelle Ostrihoff (RDFC) [ostrihoff@hotmail.com](mailto:ostrihoff@hotmail.com)
- h) Denis Fournier (PE vote) [pentathlondenis@gmail.com](mailto:pentathlondenis@gmail.com)
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- l) Isaac Hansen (EFC vote) - conference call [isaachan@telus.net](mailto:isaachan@telus.net)
- m) Joshua Ryker-Fox (Ares) - conference call [joshua@riker-fox.com](mailto:joshua@riker-fox.com)
- n) Elya Perritt (GDF Vote) [elya@gladiators.ca](mailto:elya@gladiators.ca)
- o) Sean Rathwell (AFA ED) [ed@fencing.ab.ca](mailto:ed@fencing.ab.ca)

**Absent:**

University of Calgary Fencing Club  
Grand Prairie Fencing Club  
Okotoks Fencing Club  
Brooks Fencing Club  
AAA Fencing Club

**2. Election of Meeting Chair**

Andrew self nominates. David W. seconds. Motion carried. Meeting called to order 10:20 am.

**3. Reading and Adoption of Minutes of 2015 AGM**

**Motion:** Adopt the previous AGM minutes. David C/Cameron. Carried unanimously.

**4. Review and Acceptance of Agenda**

5. Denis adds School Programs to 'Other Business'

David C adds Full Audit to 'Other Business'

**Motion:** Accept agenda as amended. Andrew/Louise. Carried unanimously.

**6. President's Report**

**7. Executive Director's Report**

**8. Committees Report**

**9. Confirmation of New Club members**

None to report.

**9. Financial Reports**

a. Financial Statements 2015/16

AFA received 67,000 from its casino event. Decreased amount of membership and tournament fees collected due to fewer registrations for both.

Subsequently, tournament costs decreased, as well as shipping costs. More funds were put towards athlete development and programming.

**Motion:** Defer the decision to perform a full audit of the 2016/17 financial statements for the next AGM to the incoming board. Elya/Denis. Carried unanimously.

**Motion:** Yaremchuk & Annichiarico to be retained as our financial reviewer for 2016/17. Andrew/Ken. Carried unanimously.

b. Budget 2015/2016

**10. Acceptance of Financial Report**

**Motion:** Accept both financial statements and budget. Andrew/David C. Carried unanimously.

**11. Bylaws Review and Discussion**

**Motion:** Accept bylaw changes as written. Andrew/Cameron. Passed unanimously.

**12. Policy Manual Review and Discussion**

No discussion or concerns. More amendments will be made in 2016/17. It was noted that the recent policy changes were not communicated well.

**Motion:** Accept the policies as they are now, with a summary of edits being communicated to all AFA clubs. David C/Denis. Opposed- Elya.

**Motion:** Policies to be reviewed, amended and communicated to clubs and membership before February 28, 2017. Ken/Denis. Abstain-Elya, David Cymbaluk. Carried.

**13. Other Business**

School Programs- Denis proposed that in order for fencing in Alberta to grow, our sport must be removed from the list of sports that are banned from various school boards province-wide.

**Motion:** Board and ED to investigate the possibility of hiring an external party to approach the Alberta Boards of Education to have the designation of 'fencing as a dangerous sport' removed from the current list of banned sports. Denis/Ken. Carried.

Full Audit

Addressed in 9.a. Financial Reports

#### **14. Election of Board of Directors**

**Motion:** Board dissolves for elections. Andrew R/Dave C. Carried.

Louise nominates Andrew. Accepts. In favour 9, opposed 0, abstain-0

Andrew Rusheleau nominates David Webster. Accepts. In favour 9, opposed 0, abstain-0

David C. nominates Svetoslav. In absentia, to be verified - All in favour-10, opposed-0, abstain-1

Ken Trumble nominates himself. Accepts. In favour-10, opposed-0, abstain-0

Andrew nominates Cameron Griffiths. Accepts. In favour-10, opposed-0, abstain-0

Denis nominates himself. Accepts. In favour-10, opposed-0, abstain-0

Andrew nominates Louise. Declined.

Andrew nominates Elya. Accepts. In favour-10, opposed-0, abstain-0

Louise nominates Norman Wiebe. In absentia, to be verified- in favour 11, opposed-0, abstain-0

Andrew nominates David Cymbaluk. Accepts. In favour-10, opposed-0, abstain-0.

Andrew nominates Zac Morris. In absentia, to be verified- in favour 11, opposed-0, abstain-0

**Motion:** Accept nominations as is as well as to confirm three absentia nominations.

Andrew/Dave W. 0 opposed. Motion carried.

**Action:** Sean to request all clubs not represented on the board to submit a list of potential board members to be accepted by the board.

#### **15. Election of Chairs of Committees**

Tabled for the following Board of Directors meeting.

#### **16. Adjournment**

**Motion:** Adjournment. Elya/David Webster. Carried unanimously. 1:13pm.