



**NWT AMATEUR SPEED SKATING ASSOCIATION  
BOX 2664  
YELLOWKNIFE NT X1A 2P9**

**2021 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

Saturday, August 21, 2021 – 7:00 p.m.  
Yellowknife Ski Club

Zoom Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81825779649?pwd=OE9sSXJ6QXBNT0p1QW5nMUgyVHBJZz09>

Meeting ID: 818 2577 9649; Passcode: 262279

1. Call to Order – 7:04 p.m.
2. Roll call – Establishment of Quorum
  - President – Alex Clinton
  - Vice-President – Val Gendron
  - Secretary – Madison Pilling (via Zoom)
  - Treasurer – Justin Nelson
  - Coaches and Officials Coordinator – Martin Rourke
  - Board Members: one from each NWT Club
    - Ashley Coombs, Hay River
    - Menzie McEachern, Yellowknife
  - Sports Director – Jody Pellissey
  - Members present
    - Miriam Pallard
    - Michael Gilday
    - Kim Bergman
    - Carla Skauge
    - Greg Skauge
    - Jacquie Pollard
    - Luc Gaudreault
    - Barb Fortin
    - Cory Doll
    - Allison Scott
    - Janet Sibbeston
    - Lawrence Pellissey
  - Quorum met
3. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda
  - ADD Approval of Constitution and Bylaws to 8. New Business
4. Approval of the Agenda
  - Motion to approve the agenda as amended 1 – Val Gendron 2 – Martin Rourke
5. Approval of Minutes from previous AGM, September 21, 2020
  - Motion to approve the September 21, 2020 AGM minutes as presented 1 – Val Gendron 2 – Justin Nelson



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6. Business Arising from the Minutes

- None

7. Presentation of Reports

a) President

- Following development of the Safe Return to Ice Guidelines and an Exposure Control Plan, the Office of the Chief Public Health Officer gave permission for speed skating to return to ice in September 2020. Four NWT Clubs (Fort Simpson, Hay River, Inuvik, and Yellowknife) provided continuous programming for skaters throughout the 2020-2021 season.
- Coaching and skater development camps were held in Fort Simpson and Hay River.
- The NWTASSA hosted the 2021 Virtual NWT Championships, where all NWT Clubs held races locally and then submitted times to be compiled into a Master Race sheet. Over 125 skaters participated with medals and certificates awarded, based on age category divisions (ages 5 and up).
- NWT Clubs participated in Speed Skate Canada's 2021 Youth Challenge, a set of national skating events for club skaters to compete locally.
- Wren Acorn was named to the Canadian Short-Track Speed Skating Development Team by Speed Skate Canada in October 2020. She is training at the Maurice Richard Arena in Montreal, QC.
- Following the reopening of the Calgary Oval in the spring of 2021, Braeden Picek has returned to Calgary to continue his training. Due to Covid-19 and mechanical issues at the Calgary Oval, training throughout the 2020-2021 was cancelled.
- Joshua Boudreau qualified to compete at the 2022 Special Olympics World Winter Games in Kazan, Russia.
- Madison Pilling joined the NWTASSA as Secretary in September 2020 while Val Gendron returned as Vice-President and Martin Rourke returned as Coach & Officials Coordinator. Jody Pellissey joined the NWTASSA as the part-time Sports Director in April 2020.
- The NWTASSA successfully started a three-year funding cycle with MACA as of 2020/2021. The Board also received funding assistance from MACA through the Regional Youth Sports Events program and from Sports Canada through the Covid-19 Emergency Support Fund.
- With the assistance of Sport Law & Strategy Group, the Board developed a manual that includes all policies, and new bylaws that are up for approval at the AGM. When approved, both the manual and the bylaws, will be added to the website when the site is updated.



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b) Treasurer

- 2020-2021 Financial Statement tabled
- Total assets ~\$166K; airline credit of \$10K has since been refunded about \$8K
- Motion to accept the 2020-2021 financial statement for the year ending April 14, 2021 as presented 1 – Menzie McEachern 2 – Barb Fortin

c) Clubs

- Fort Simpson – worked very hard to keep kids active while following Covid restrictions; two groups of about 50 Learn to Skate kids and about 25 kids in the main program (more kids than hockey); Madison ran development camp in Hay River in March 2021 and brought some Fort Simpson kids to participate; participated in the 2021 NWT Virtual Championships; conducted dryland training and an inline skating program; brought seven kids and one adult to the 2021 summer camp
- Hay River – working hard to get more kids involved in speed skating; struggled in 2020/2021 with minimum days and poor times for on-ice; Club has requested additional ice for this season, NWTASSA sent a support letter to Town of Hay River to assist with ice request; excited for new banner for Hay River Arena with Gavin Broadhead
- Inuvik – No report
- Norman Wells – No report
- Yellowknife – thankful to be able to get back onto the ice; YK was able to conduct all programs, except Learn to Skate, due to Covid restrictions; long season as started early and ended late with few canceled ice times; excited for adaptations made in order to conduct the Virtual Championships as well as a virtual event with the Yukon Club; Alexandre Larouche left YK, he was awarded the Club's Ralph Mahler Award; currently, seeking a SS3 and LTS/SS1 coach to replace Alexandre

8. New Business

a) Review and Approval of Constitution & Bylaws – repeal existing set (Constitution May 11, 2001; Bylaws June 4, 2003)

- Motion to repeal existing Constitution (dated May 11, 2001) and Bylaws (dated June 4, 2003 1 – Val Gendron 2 – Ashley Coombs
- Motion to approve new Constitution and Bylaws as presented 1 – Val Gendron 2 – Miriam Pallard



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#### 9. Election of Directors

Terms ending this year:

- President (2-Year Term)
- Treasurer (2-Year Term)
  
- Val Gendron, Vice-President, took over chairing the meeting for this discussion
- Calls for nominations for president
- Motion to nominate Alex Clinton as president for a two-year term, effective immediately 1 – Justin Nelson 2 – Marin Rourke
- Alex accepted the position
  
- Calls for nomination for Treasurer
- Motion to nominate Justin Nelson as Treasurer for a two-year term, effective immediately 1 – Menzie McEachern 2 – Madison Pilling
- Justin accepted the position

#### 10. Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn the AGM at 7:35pm 1 – Kim Bergman

**NWT Amateur Speed Skating Association  
Financial Statement  
For the Year Ending April 14th, 2021**

**BALANCE SHEET**

ASSETS

Cash	70,749.00
GICs	85,225.00
Airline Credit	10,094.56
<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>	<u>166,068.56</u>

LIABILITIES

Visa	54.00
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MEMBERS' EQUITY

Opening accumulated surplus	124,249.56
Current year surplus	41,765.00
	<u>166,014.56</u>

<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS EQUITY</u>	<u>166,068.56</u>
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**INCOME STATEMENT**

REVENUES

WCLP	82,635.00
Registration fees	-
Co-vid 19 Emergency Fund	33,883.00
Team NWT Registration fees/camps	-
Ryse Funding	14,000.00
Interest income	17.00
Miscellaneous	-
Airline Credits	-
<u>TOTAL REVENUES</u>	<u>130,535.00</u>

EXPENSES

AGM and Meetings	-
Canada West Games	-
Administration and overhead	82,752.00
Weekly Practices	-
Community Athlete and Coach Development	-
Coach and Official Development	1,847.00
Summer Speed Skating Camp	807.00
NWT Championships	3,364.00
Special Olympic Speed Skating	-
Arctic Winter Games	-
Competition Funding	-
<u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u>	<u>88,770.00</u>

<u>SURPLUS</u>	<u>41,765.00</u>
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