



## **Annual Board Meeting - Minutes**

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| <i>Date:</i>       | August 19, 2012  |
| <i>Location:</i>   | Ottawa Racketlon Challenge - RA Centre, 2451 Riverside Drive, Ottawa, ON K1H 7X7   |
| <i>Time:</i>       | 10:00AM  |
| <i>Attendance:</i> | Dany Lessard (President and High Performance Director)<br>Rodrigue Bedard (Canadian Tour Chairman)<br>Jeremy Easterbrook (Marketing Director and Webmaster)<br>Horatio Pintea (Vice-President)<br>Steven Mikovich (Treasurer)<br>Jamie Herman (Ontario Development Director) |

### **Agenda**

- A. 14 MONTHS RECAP
- B. FINANCE UPDATE
- C. RANKING UPDATE
- D. TOURNAMENT UPDATE
- E. LEGAL STATUS
- F. RECOGNITION STATUS
- G. PLAN OF ACTION
- H. ELECTIONS

### **Discussions**

#### **A. 14 MONTHS RECAP**

- Presented by Dany Lessard, who spoke out about the progress of Racketlon Canada to date. An update on the legal status and recognition of Racketlon Canada are given in items E and F below.
- Minutes of meeting of June 2011 were read and adopted. Noteworthy items from 2011 minutes include:
  - Treasurer report indicated \$1,462 in current bank balance at the previous annual general meeting (AGM).
  - Current tournaments held were 13 with an expectation to increase to 15 for the following year.
  - Board changes included Dany Lessard being appointed President and Danny Shannon resigning.
  - See Board Minutes from AGM 2011-06 for further details.
- The participation of Canadians to the World Tour Events continues to be significant and noticeable. The proposal of adding women to the Senior National Team World Championships had been made by Canada and this event was a success this year in Sofia even though the Canadian Team could not make it on the podium like in 2011. We had however Peter and Damaris Brix winning gold medals in the Senior Mixed Doubles at these World Championships.
- We had also two players Annie-Pier Audet and Patrick Jr. Laplante who won silver medals in Juniors Under 21 at the World Championships of 2011 in Vienna.

#### **B. FINANCE UPDATE**

- Presented by Steven Mikovich including financial results and their acceptance.
- Treasurer report indicated \$2,465 in current bank balance.
- Discussion of how to generate more revenues by usage of more tournaments and accepting those that will run with a probability of success.



- Discussion on the finances for the IWT tournament held at Granby. Expenses of \$631 are expected.
- Monthly bank fees were waived for the business account.
- Steven is to follow up with Keith Williams (tournament coordinator) on receipt of Racketlon Canada tournament fees from Horseshoe Open in Toronto.
- Dany is to contact Dean Gillis regarding tournament sanction and fees for upcoming tournament.

#### C. RANKING UPDATE

- Patrick Laplante, Ranking Chairman was not present, however, no adjustments need be made at this moment in time.

#### D. TOURNAMENT UPDATE

- Presented by Rodrigue Bedard who showed promising updates of more tournaments coming up including the return of the Super World Tour event held at the Badminton & Racquet Club in Toronto by Stephane Cadieux. Granby as a result would no longer have this tournament status.
- A Newfoundland resident in attendance at this tournament indicated interest in hosting a tournament in his hometown indicating a new provincial addition to Racketlon Canada.
- Rodrigue discussion further on the definition of what makes a 0.25, 0.5 and 1.0 tournament status for ranking purposes and the possibility of capping Racketlon Canada fees to tournament coordinators if they achieve a minimum amount of participants (i.e. a 0.25 tournament needs to only remit \$100 to Racketlon Canada and therefore if they have more than \$20 participants at a rate of \$5 per participant then no more fees must be remitted. This incentive will allow tournament coordinators to increase door prizes, prize pools, more equipment and etcetera.).
- Possible tournament venue consideration in London, Ontario hosted by the University of Western Ontario.
- Second tournament in Victoria, British Columbia with hopes to find a tournament in Vancouver.

#### E. LEGAL STATUS

- Racketlon Canada is incorporated since 2007-12-19 under the name RACKETLON CANADA. It is a federal Corporation with Corporation number 4458362 and Business number 819159815RC0001 and its governing legislation is the Canada Corporations Act – Part II. :
- We are late on filing annual reports to Industry Canada since 2008 but we are still recognized as an Active Corporation by Industry Canada. These annual reports are used to report changes of address and changes of the board directors.
- We need to make the transition to a new governing legislation being the 'Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act'. We have until October 17, 2014 to make the transition to the new legislation (New since Oct. 2011), but asking for it now is better because we were told that they will ignore the fact that we missed filling the annual reports, and the new legislation will allow us to make changes on our constitution regarding the numbers of administrators on the board.

#### F. RECOGNITION STATUS

- Racketlon Canada is a recognized corporation by Industry Canada.
- Racketlon Canada is the only known national association involved in the sport of Racketlon and its development.
- We also need to apply for an official status with Sport Canada as a National Sport Organization. Their criteria for acceptance seem excessive but we should still apply or investigate other avenues like becoming a recognized sub-section of another national sport association.

#### G. PLAN OF ACTION

- To further promote and increase awareness of the sport of Racketlon in Canada by the use more tournaments, internet marketing via website and other medias.
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## H. ELECTIONS

- To be held at next annual general meeting.
- Discussion has been made to create a new position of the board of directors for Damaris Brix as the Western Representative and changing Evan Mancer's title to Central Representative to accommodate for this.
- The board of director below has been proposed and adopted at unanimity

### *2012 -2013 BOARD OF DIRECTORS*

Dany Lessard (President and High Performance Director)  
Rodrigue Bedard (Canadian Tour Chairman)  
Jeremy Easterbrook (Marketing Director and Webmaster)  
Patrick Jr. Laplante (Ranking Director)  
Horatio Pintea (Vice-President)  
Steven Mikovich (Treasurer)  
Jamie Herman (Ontario Development Director)  
Michel Aubé (Quebec Development Director)  
Evan Mancer (Central Development Director)  
Damaris Brix (Western Development Director)

These minutes of meetings were written by Jamie Herman and Dany Lessard.

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Dany Lessard,  
President  
Racketlon Canada

Oct. 22, 2012