

BC Athletics AGM September 2019
Chair Report by Greg White

GOVERNANCE

The Chair of the Board of Directors is responsible for the Governance of the Organization, part of the Strategic Plan.

In the last year, since the AGM in September 2018, the Board was active and met on the following dates:

1. November 28, 2018 – minutes posted to website
2. January 26, 2019 (with the Chairs of the 6 Committees) – minutes posted to website
3. April 30, 2019 – minutes posted to website
4. June 26, 2019 – minutes posted to website
5. July 22, 2019 – minutes posted to website
6. August 21, 2019

The Board of Directors welcomed 4 new members at the 2018 AGM in September 2018

1. Ota Hally – Director of Finance
2. James O’Kane – Zones 1 & 2
3. Jacob Emerson – Zone 3, 4 & 5
4. Cathy Johnson – Zone 7, 8

The Board Members who were the liaisons to committees for the past year are:

1. Track & Field Committee - Tyler
2. Cross Country Committee - Katelynn
3. Masters Committee – Mark
4. Officials Committee – Jim
5. Junior Development Committee - Darren
6. Road Running Committee - Jordan

Elections at 2019 AGM - Jim Hinze is the Chair of the nominations committee

Positions for Election (2 year terms)

1. Female Athlete Representative (nominated by athletes)
2. Director Administration & Planning
3. Director Marketing & Communications
4. Director Events & Promotion
5. Zone Representative for 1 & 2 (nominated by Zone 1 & 2 Caucus)
6. Zone Representative for 3, 4, 5 (nominated by Zone 3, 4 & 5 Caucus)
7. Zone Representative for 6 (nominated by Zone 6 Caucus)

SUPPORT FOR ATHLETES in completion at a provincial, national & International level.

We are pleased to have three(3) Championships in BC in the next 2019 – 2022 quad.

There were 3 BC groups that were awarded Athletics Canada National Championships for 2019 – 2022.

- Cross Country, Abbotsford - **Awarded 2019 & 2020**
- Track & Field bid lead by Langley Mustangs - **Awarded 2021 & 2022**
- 10,000 Meter Championships bid lead by Mile to Marathon, BC Endurance Project and BC Athletics – **Awarded 2019 & 2020**

BC Athletics has supported Athletes by sending teams to 2019 National Championships in Montreal and Kingston.

There are 9 BC Athletics members named to Canadian Team for the 2019 IAAF World Championships in Doha

COMPETITIONS

The Board of Directors continues to support the staff of BC Athletics and the member Clubs that deliver competitions for Athletes. The Board of Directors members attended many of the competitions.

The Chair attended these 42 competition events, organization events and committee meetings in 2018/2019. There were 3 additional events that the Chair was not able to attend, but the Vice Chair did attend.

1. September 23 Vancouver Spirit Run
2. October 7 BC Half Marathon Championships
3. October 13 Whistler 50 Ultra & Relay
4. October 17 Athletics Canada Branch Council Conference Call
5. October 20 BC Officials Committee AGM
6. October 27 BC Cross Country Championships (Abbotsford)
7. October 28 Junior Development Awards Lunch
8. October 28 Junior Development Committee AGM
9. November 10 BC Throws Summit
10. November 14 Athletics Canada Branch Council Conference Call
11. November 30 Athletics Canada Semi-Annual General Meeting
12. January 9 Athletics Canada Branch Council conference call for January
13. January 25 BC Athletics HP Seminar
14. January 26 BC 8K Championships at Icebreaker 8K
15. February 2 Harry Jerome Indoor, Richmond Olympic Oval – attended by Chair
16. February 2 BC Athletes Awards Banquet – attended by Chair & Vice-Chair
17. February 10 First Half Marathon – attended by Chair & Vice-Chair
18. February 13 Athletics Canada Branch Council conference call for February
19. February 26 UBC Millennium Breakfast – attended by Chair
20. February 27 City of Vancouver Track Advisory Committee - attended by Chair
21. March 13 Sport BC Athlete of the Year Awards - attended by Chair
22. March 16 5K at St Patrick's Day 5K – attended by Vice-Chair
23. March 20 Athletics Canada Branch Council conference call for March
24. March 30 UBC Open Day 1 - attended by Chair
25. March 31 UBC Open Day 2 - attended by Chair
26. April 12 SunRun Sponsors' Event – attended by Chair & Vice-Chair
27. April 14 SunRun 10K – attended by Chair & Vice-Chair

28. April 17	Athletics Canada Branch Council conference call for April	
29. April 25	City of Vancouver Track Advisory Committee - attended by Chair	
30. April 28	10K at TC10K – attended by Vice-Chair	
31. May 2	Vancouver Marathon Media Event	Chair & Vice Chair
32. May 5	Vancouver Marathon – BC Championships	Chair & Vice Chair
33. May 15	Athletics Canada Branch Council for May	
34. May 24 & 25	Athletics Canada Annual Meeting, Ottawa	
35. June 13	Canadian 10,000m Championship	Vice Chair
36. June 19	Harry Jerome Media Event	
37. June 20	Harry Jerome Track Event	Chair & Vice Chair
38. June 23	Scotia Bank Half Marathon	Vice Chair
39. June 27	Athletics Canada Branch Council for June	
40. June 29	Universal Athletics Track & Field Meet	
41. July 6 & 7	BC Athletics Jamboree, Kamloops	Chair & Vice Chair
42. July 20	BC Athletics JD Championships, Surrey	
43. July 24	City of Vancouver ,Track & Field Advisory Committee	
44. August 21	BC Athletics Board Meeting	Chair & Vice Chair
45. August 22	Athletics Canada Branch Council for August	

PROVINCE OF BC, VIASPORT, SPORT BC & ATHLETICS CANADA

The key funding and program partners are the Province of BC, viaSport, Sport BC and Athletics Canada.

Province of BC

The Province of BC is the primary government funder of BC Athletics.

BC Athletics maintains a close relationship with staff at the Sport Branch and the elected officials.

- The Minister for Sport is the Hon. Lisa Beare, Minister of Tourism, Arts and Culture
- The Parliamentary Secretary for Sports and Multiculturalism, Ravi Kahlon, was appointed in July 2017 and served in this role until August 2019. Ravi is the parent of an athlete that trains with a BC Athletics Club.

viaSport

The relationship with viaSport is very important. The President & CEO has been very active and successful in engaging the leadership of viaSport. The new CEO, Charlene Krepiakovich, started with viaSport earlier this year. Charlene was previously the Executive Director of the Vancouver International Marathon Society.

Sport BC

BC Athletics is an active member of Sport BC. Two of the Directors of BC Athletics are on the board of Sport BC (Carey Dillen, Chair, Greg White, Director at large). The Sport BC AGM was in May 2019. Four directors were elected as Members-at-Large

- Sandi Swanigan
- Jennifer Fenton
- Lisa Kwiatkowski (elected by the board members as Vice- Chair)
- Greg White

The other two directors are

- Mario Ramos
- Blair Lowther (elected by the board members as Chair)

Athletics Canada

BC Athletics is a very active branch member of Athletics Canada (AC). In 2018 & 2019, the President & CEO and the Chair represented BC Athletics at the monthly AC Branch Council conference calls.

The Chair of BC Athletics also serves for a 5th year as the Chair of the Athletes Canada Branch Council until May 2020 and is a member of the Athletics Canada Rules Committee.

The new CEO, David Bedford, started in April 2019. The President/CEO of BC Athletics was a member of the selection committee.

There is one member of the Athletics Canada board that lives in BC

- Director-at-large - Lynn Kanuka (re-elected in May 2018 for 2 years)

Athletics Canada Board

BILL MACMACKIN, **Chair**, Saint John, NB

HELEN MANNING, **Vice Chair**, Sutton West, ON

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