



**MINUTES OF THE 2025 BC ATHLETICS SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING  
HELD VIRTUALLY ON OCTOBER 1, 2025 BY ZOOM  
WITH REMOTE DELEGATE REGISTRATION AND VOTING**

Virtual check-in for Delegates was opened at 6:30pm.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

- The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm with Board Chair, Darren Willis, as the Chair.

**2. CHAIR'S WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS**

- Darren welcomed the delegates and thanked them for attending.

**3. CONFIRMATION OF VOTING PRIVILEGES**

- Quorum constitutes 29 votes. The Chair confirmed that a quorum was present.
- The number of votes present when the 2025 BC Athletics SGM was called to order was 95 participants representing 125 votes.

**4. REVIEW OF ONLINE VOTING PROCEDURES**

- The voting procedures were listed on the BCA website.

**5. MOTION TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSED BC ATHLETICS CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS**

- A copy of the BC Athletics Constitution and Bylaws, accompanied by a message from the BC Athletics Board was posted on the BC Athletics website.
- Darren introduced the purpose of the special general meeting and explained the proposed governance documents are an update to the package put forward to our membership at the recent Special General Meeting, held on August 13, 2025. Following the outcome of the Special General Meeting, the Board of Directors conducted an internal review and also reached out to members seeking feedback about the proposed updates. Darren thanked all the members who offered their feedback. Their input and insights have been invaluable.
- Darren turned over the meeting to Kevin Bowie, viaSport Manager, Sport Development.
- Kevin shared the viaSport Operational Enhancement Initiative (OEI) is a part of a response from provincial government, in which governance was a deficient outcome of that report. They're looking for better systems and engagement and to support engagement going forward rather than just providing funding. How the PSOs engage their Board, work with core governance, how talent is evaluated and identified, how to reduce conflicts of interest, what engagement and decision making is taking place.

**MOTION: To accept the proposed BC Athletics Constitution and Bylaws as presented – T. Self/J. Myers**

- The floor was opened to each Club participant attending to ask questions, provide their feedback, and/or indicate if they were in support, or not in support of the motion.
- After all the Club representatives spoke, the floor was opened to the remaining unaffiliated participants to ask questions, provide their feedback and, if they wished, to indicate their position on the motion.

- Darren thanked the participants for their diligent preparation to review and discuss the materials before attending the meeting. Darren thanked everyone for their comments and participation in the meeting. Darren also noted if the motion was passed, the Board would continue to work on the bylaws and governance, and to continue to work on the relationship with members and earning their trust.
- Darren read the motion out loud and called the vote.

**Proposed BC Athletics Constitution and Bylaws**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE REVISED BC ATHLETICS CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS, AS PUBLISHED ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 30, 2025, AS AMENDED ONLY TO CORRECT CERTAIN TYPOS AND NON-MATERIAL ERRORS AS INDICATED IN THE DRAFT, BE APPROVED FOR IMPLEMENTATION BY THE BC ATHLETICS BOARD OF DIRECTORS, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

- Cristie explained the voting procedure and read out the number of votes per delegates. Darren noted a 2/3 majority is required to pass the special resolution.

*Vote was passed by the delegates. CARRIED*  
*120 votes cast, 1 abstain, 91 in favour, 29 against (76%)*

**6. MISC. ITEMS OF NOTE**

**Board of Director Positions**

- With the motion passed, there are two (2) board positions available.
- Deadline for nominations is October 12, 2025.
- Darren confirmed there would be an opportunity to vote on the board members at the AGM. Darren also noted he hoped that the nominations committee will be able to provide the members with information on the nominees (like they do at the AC elections with a bio), along with recommendations of support from the Board.

**Harry Jerome Track Meet**

- Kenneth Poskitt shared that the Richmond Kajaks Track and Field Club are formally taking over the hosting of the Harry Jerome Indoor Games and Achilles International Track and Field Society is taking over hosting the Jerome Classic.
- Jeremy Hopwood, on behalf of Kajaks, shared that the Kajaks are excited to be taking on the role and thanked Achilles.

**7. CLOSING REMARKS**

- Darren gave his appreciation and thanks to all the participants for attending and providing their feedback and comments. Darren thanked guests Greg Gilhooly and Kevin Bowie for attending and offering their insight.
- Kevin noted viaSport's continued support to help BC Athletics and gave his appreciation for everyone's support of good governance.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

- The 2025 BC Athletics Special General Meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Shannon Barrows, Recording Secretary  
 2025/10/01

Director Bin Xu

Director Chloe