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2025 SSBC Board Report



Continuing their term on the Board for the 2024-2025 season were Kari Rae (President), Janet Lakusta (Secretary), Carol Dougan (Director), Dan Bastiaansen (Director) and Alana Lawhead (Director). Re-elected members were Scott Stewart (Vice-President) and Rich Matthews (Director). There was one new director elected at the 2024 AGM; Keven Fitzpatrick. The treasurer position was vacant this year. Thank you to Alana for stepping in and adding her voice to the Finance Committee.

The Board met monthly with occasional ad hoc meetings for a total of 16 times. Monthly meetings included an SSBC Operational Update from Valerie Linton (Executive Director) with a quarterly strategic goal score card along with the recurring review of monthly and year to date financials. The Board rendered decisions on competitions, committees, policies, bylaws, operations and special projects.

There are four Committees of the Board: Finance, Governance, Nominations and Risk Management. All were active this year with the Risk Management Committee beginning its work.

The Finance Committee, consisting of Kari Rae, Scott Stewart, Valerie Linton and Alana Lawhead met as required. The Committee focussed on budget preparation, amendments and risk analysis.

The Governance Committee, consisting of Kari Rae, Valerie Linton, Carol Dougan and Keven Fitzpatrick met as needed to update, edit and advise the Board on proposed policy changes. A policy review plan was implemented to fulfil our bi-annual policy review requirement.

The Nominations Committee, chaired by Kari Rae with Valerie Linton, Dan Bastiaansen and Carol Dougan began work in preparation for the elections at the Annual General Meeting. With the new requirement that all nominations for the Board must be received 30 days prior to the AGM this committee met often starting in April.

The Risk Management Committee chaired by Kari Rae with Valerie Linton, Rich Matthews and Janet Lakusta. The first working risk session in preparation for the 2025-26 season will be in June 2025.

This year ViaSport kicked off the Organizational Effectiveness Initiative where all PSO's have the opportunity to work with Sport law for a full review of their By Laws and policies. Kari, Scott and Valerie worked through this and we have received 36 recommendations that the incoming Board will work through over the coming season.

I would like to thank this year's Board for their commitment to our sport and the processes of the Board. It was a pleasure to work with you.

Regards,

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