

Ontario Senior Games Association
Annual General Meeting
September 23, 2019
Best Western Plus Toronto Airport
Mississauga, Ontario

Board Members:

Gary Churchill (Vice-President), Daria Thompson (Secretary), Ellen Paterson (Treasurer), Sheran Barker (Board Member), Graham Vickers (Board Member), Mike Johnson (Board Member), Kaytlyn Pike (Program Coordinator).

Regrets: Wilf Navarrete (Board Member)

District Members:

Denis Ringuette (2), Susan Raymond (2A), Rae Kingsbury (2A), Irene Churchill (5), Ted Mahood (5), Georges Martin (5), Gary Churchill (5), Guy Chaput (7), Dave Cave (7), Linda Vickers (8), Graham Vickers (8), Bruce Kirton (8), Lea Lake (10), Sheran Barker (10), Mike Johnson (11), John Kerr (11), Beverly Kerr (11), Eva Ferguson (12), Susan Bruce (13), Marilyn Lyon (13), Angie Richard (14), Charlotte Widdifield (14), David Clark (15), Shui-Kim NG (16), Chiung-Ming NG (16), Daria Thompson (16), Tom Wetzel (16), Laura Taal (17), Shirley Hickman (17), Vanna Chiem (19), May de Jongh (19), Bob Tremblay (19), Denise Bourgon (20), Sandy CorCoran (21), Petra Halk (21), Brian Knight (22), Maryann Knight (22), Lisa Burke (24), Brian Harvey (24), Felicia Urbanski (26), Larry Squire (26), Ellen Paterson (27), Gail Prior (29), Linda Grainger (30), Kim Benke (30), Lynn Santarossa (32), Jules Santarossa (32), Dave Drouillard (33A), Deborah Drouillard (33A).

GUESTS:

Russell Zavitz (MTCS), Ryan Albright (MTCS), Steve Indig (SLSG)

MTCS (Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport) **SLSG** (Sport Law and Strategy Group)

Material Distributed:

In Advance to Delegates: AGM Agenda, OSGA Draft AGM Minutes 2018, Audited Financial BDO Financial Statements – March 31, 2019, 2019/2020 Budget breakdown, 2019 slate of officers, President's report, Treasurer's report, Program Coordinator's report.

Materials Distributed at AGM:

Canada Games update package.

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1.	Call to order 9:11 am
	Ellen Paterson welcomed everyone and introduced the Board of Directors
2.	Determination of a Quorum
	A quorum was determined.
3.	Appointment of Scrutineers
	Ellen Paterson appointed Steve Indig and Ryan Albright as Scrutineers for the OSGA 55+ elections. Ryan Albright was not in attendance during this portion, but was asked upon his arrival and agreed.
4.	Approval of the agenda
	Motion to approve the agenda by: Petra Halk (21); seconded by Lynn Santarossa (32). CARRIED.
5.	Declaration of any conflicts of interest
	None declared.
6.	Adoption of minutes of the 2018 Annual Meeting
	Motion: by Susan Raymond (2A); seconded by Dave Cave (7) to accept the minutes of the 2018 AGM as amended. CARRIED. Corrections: In the Q&A section the question referenced 'table tennis', but the following reference said 'tennis.' Correction to edit the second reference for consistency; it should say 'table tennis.' On the first page Ken Simard (1) was listed twice; one of them to be removed.
7.	Board, Committee & Staff Reports – Gary Churchill, Kaytlyn Pike, Sheran Barker & Ellen Paterson
	Gary thanked the hiring committee; Graham Vickers, Ellen Paterson, and himself who went through the hiring process with Kaytlyn Pike starting July 8 th , 2019. Kaytlyn introduced herself to the Members. Sheran distributed a Canada 55+ Games package that held information and questions for Districts. Sheran reiterated that previous Canada Games winners do not automatically qualify for the next Canada Games, participants must all qualify in the same year. Important to note that the OSGA Games do not mirror the Canada Games events. Sheran verbally went over some of the questions she has asked for feedback on in her Canada Games package. She requested that everyone would review the information and email her with questions & answers in the next few weeks. During Sheran's presentation Angeline Richard (14) presented a motion to change the process of determining the Canada Games Rep and the details of the role. Discussion ensued. Steve Indig stepped forward and explained the motion was out of order. Angeline agreed to submit the motion in time for the 2020 AGM. <i>Any new business on the agenda requires 30 days notice.</i> Gail Prior (29) would like AGM e-mails to remind attendees the rules in the bylaws going forward. Kim Benke (30) questioned what happens with the surplus of funds at the end of the fiscal year? Where does it go? Ellen answered Kim and explained that all of the government's money was spent before March 31 st . The OSGA spends the grant money first so it is not lost and the remaining money in the bank is the OSGA's from sponsorships, affiliation fees, etc.. Ellen explained that the OSGA

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	<p>has been trying to build up their savings as a security measure. Ellen further explained that last year was a provincial year, therefore we had more money coming in than we do this year.</p> <p>Kim Benke (30) asked why the AGM is in September and not at the end of the fiscal year? Ellen & Gary explained that getting financials and audits complete as well as Summer Games schedules makes it a tight timeline at the end of the fiscal year. There was conversation about changing the date to the spring with some districts in favour while many others disapproved. Ellen suggested that the Auditors wouldn't have their work done in time if we were to move it forward.</p> <p>Laura Taal (17) asked how many more years of Government funding does the OSGA have? Ellen answered that there is a contract with the Ministry until July 2021.</p> <p>Motion to accept unaudited BDO Statements from 2018/19 by Ellen Paterson, Gail Prior seconded (29). All in favour. CARRIED.</p> <p>Ellen presented her proposed budget break down graph as requested by Members last year.</p> <p>A question was asked by Gail Prior (29) on how the income from events is depicted in the charts? Ellen explained that it is \$11,000 for all of the OSGA open/invitational events. Irene Churchill (5) added that the BDO report supports these numbers and further shows the income and outcome of the open/invitational spending. Gary Churchill added that Geoff Johnson and the Board were trying to find ways to keep the affiliation fees down so banking a small income off of events was one way in which they were doing this. Gail felt as though her question was not being understood and would speak to someone after the meeting.</p> <p>John Kerr (11) questioned the amount spent for the AGM and \$4,500 in addition to their attendance fees seemed high. Ellen answered that it is an expensive day to run and could provide the full budget breakdown upon request if interested. From feedback after last years AGM it was decided the Members wanted a full breakfast and not just continental which costs more money. The Board was able to provide this breakfast option and decrease the fee per person to attend while getting a good group rate on hotel rooms, therefore the Board stands behind their spending choices in regards to the AGM.</p> <p>Tom Wetzel (16) asked for clarification on the budget lines indicating our predicted expenses and our expenses from 2018-2019, stating our predicted expenses are lower for this year.</p> <p>A question regarding the price of the audit was posed by Laura Taal (17). She thought the price seemed high and asked if the OSGA has taken other quotes? Ellen informed Laura that the OSGA did take multiple bids and they were all similar. By using the BDO in Kincardine where Ellen is from, instead of in Mississauga by the office, the rates are a bit lower, and Ellen is happy with the service of the employees she deals with as well.</p> <p>Ellen Paterson (27) motioned to use BDO for 2019/20; seconded by: Irene Churchill (5). All in favour. CARRIED.</p>
8.	<p>Report of Auditors</p>
	<p>Motion: by Ellen Paterson (27); seconded by Gail Prior (29) to accept the unaudited BDO report of the Ontario Senior Games Association Financial Statements for the year ended March 31, 2019. All in favour. CARRIED.</p> <p>Motion: by Ellen Paterson (27); seconded by Irene Churchill (5) to continue with BDO as the Auditor for 2019-2020 Fiscal year. All in favour. CARRIED.</p>
9.	<p>Election of new Directors – Ellen Paterson</p>
	<p>Ellen announced changes to the proposed slate of officers that was sent to delegates prior to the meeting:</p> <p>Rae Kingsbury (2A) recorded as running for Secretary now running for a Director position</p> <p>Linda Grainger (30) recorded as running for a Director position is now running for Secretary</p> <p>John Kerr (11) thanked Angie for her work as President.</p> <p>Ellen Paterson called for nominations from the floor three times and none came forward.</p> <p>Motion by Georges Martin (5); seconded by Tom Wetzel (16) to close nominations. All in favour. CARRIED</p> <p><u>Results:</u></p>

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	<p>Gary Churchill, President. <i>Acclaimed.</i></p> <p>Daria Thompson, Vice-President. <i>Acclaimed.</i></p> <p>Linda Grainger, Secretary. <i>Acclaimed.</i></p> <p>Rae Kingsbury, Director. <i>Acclaimed.</i></p> <p>Motion by Irene Churchill (5); seconded by John Kerr (11) to destroy the ballots. All in favour. CARRIED.</p> <p>Certificate of appreciation to outgoing Board of Directors presented by Daria Thompson to:</p> <p>Angeline Richard Bob Tremblay Graham Vickers</p>
10.	<p>Question and Answer Period</p>
	<p>Georges Martin (5) asked if the OSGA website could put all forms in a PDF editable format to make filling out forms easier.</p> <p>Maryann Knight (22) stated that she brought up the same question last year: can we look at changing the Canada Games and Provincial Games years to offset one another and where the Board is on this? Gary explained that he has sent a letter to the Ministry in regards to this change.</p> <p>Eva Ferguson (12) requested that by the next AGM the OSGA will produce some stats on its participants such as: age groups, by sport, by district, etc. Looking on details of what the current membership is made up of. Gail Prior (29) agreed that this information would be helpful especially when planning for Regional Games and what events/brackets to include.</p> <p>Dave Cave (7) asked for an update on District 6 (Ottawa) and when it will be up and running again. Gary informed the Membership that he attended the Ottawa 55+ lifestyle show and has met with the RA centre in Ottawa. Gary will be following up with the contacts he made at the RA centre soon to try and form a committee asap.</p> <p>Angeline Richard (14) asked how many Districts were currently not active? Ellen informed her that currently there are 6, maybe 7 with one District reassessing in the spring.</p> <p>John Kerr (11) asked if the registration fees will be staying at ten (10) dollars? The Board informed him they will stay the same.</p> <p>Ching Ming NG (16) brought forward their concern with the limiting of events seniors are allowed to compete in, especially when paying a lot of money to go to Games such as Kamloops 2020 to only compete in one sport/category. Gail Prior (29) commented that when allowing people to compete in more than one event/category it becomes a nightmare for conveners trying to sort out the logistics. Lynn Santarossa (32) mentioned that if the same people were competing in multiple events they may be dominant which would demotivate other people to get involved. Gary reminded everyone that the OSGA does not set these CAPS or choose the sports, it comes from the Ministry. Gary announced that the Board is setting up new committees, one of which will be a rules committee, to re-evaluate all of our current rules and make sure they are up to date & user friendly.</p> <p>Shui-Kim NG (16) reiterated that at their age it is not as much about winning, but about education and getting participants engaged to have a healthy lifestyle and be involved. If we can communicate this at all levels then even the shiest participants will come forward and get involved. Not as much stress on winning, but on being involved and active. The Districts agreed.</p>
11.	<p>Adjournment</p>
	<p>Gary asked for adjournment</p> <p>Motioned by: Georges Martin (5); seconded by: Susan Raymond (2A). CARRIED.</p>
PM	<p>Conference Session</p>

Screening policies by Steve Indig, Sport Law and Strategy Group

Steve presented an overview of why it is important to have a screening policy in place and how it can protect different facets of our organization. You can visit the Sport Law website for more resources and information on forming a screening policy.

Sportlaw.ca. Resource: "Volunteer Canada" - 10 Step Screening Process.

Presentation from the Ministry of Tourism, Culture, and Sport by Ryan Albright.

1. Update on Summer Game in Peterborough 2020 – Ryan reiterated that they need a minimum of 4 entries to hold event/age category of event.

Irene Churchill (5) requested that the OSGA look at a policy for how participants can qualify if their District is not running an event and provide clarity on how they can qualify.

Proposed qualification changes:

- "Gold, Silver, Bronze" approach
- Local Districts will get 1 spot in each sport/category – "hosting advantage"

Feedback:

Districts would like to know Stage 1 dates before Feb 1, 2020, and Ryan Albright saw this timeline as possible.

Districts expressed disappointment with the removal of closing ceremonies.

Many Districts felt the proposed change to \$50 for local district participants is too low.

Kim Benke (30) requested that Districts be able to see the results from the Mississauga & Huntsville Games surveys.

Vanna Chiem (19) questioned if someone wins gold in two categories how do they pick one?

Irene Churchill (5) asked if there is anything planned for District Coordinators such as a meeting before the Opening Ceremonies to collect information to give to athletes, emergency numbers etc.

Linda Grainger (30) requested the Caps for Peterborough 2020 be shared.

Direction was given for Eva Ferguson (12) to send Kaytlyn (OSGA office) information about the Summer Games and she will distribute to the Districts and for District Coordinators to send any questions/comments/concerns to Kaytlyn and she will compile them for Eva to take to GOC meetings.

2. Ryan presented future ideas for the Ontario 55+ Games and asked for feedback from the Districts. Proposed model included significantly decreasing fees at the cost of decreasing amenities that currently come with the fees.

Feedback:

Susan Raymond (2A) major concern with engaging the north – huge costs and logistics to get participants to attend. If limiting planned travel what options do they have? This would change the game to a Southern Ontario Games model.

Linda Grainger (30) – not very "green" encouraging less carpooling, more individual transit. How can you take a bus, and all go to your own accommodation & then getting around the host community?

12. **Closing remarks by Ellen Paterson.**