

**Minutes, 2020 Annual General Meeting
of
The Orienteering Association of British Columbia
(OBC)**

Thursday, November 26, 2020, at 7:30 pm
Online (Zoom)

1. **Call to order** at 7:39 pm. In attendance: Brian Ellis (chair), Marg Ellis, Joanne Woods, Stan Woods, Linda Hildebrandt, Marie Burgess, Chris Ling, Chris Bullock, Jim Webster, Kevin Matrosovs, David Bakker, Robyn Rennie, Meghan Rance, Kate Knapp, Alex Kerr, John Rance, Mike Rascher, Ben Smith, Erica Lay, Laurent Mingo, Don Haliburton, Bryan Chubb, Charlotte MacNaughton, Jacquie Bonn, Aaron Lay, Gabbi Lee, Tom Lee, Sylvia Wong , Sergio Fernandez, Ilya Ganelin, Daniel Widman, Linda Wu, Ross Burnett, Caoimhe Murray, Holly Hendrigan (minutes).
 - a. Agenda approved.

2. **Minutes of the 2019 AGM**
 - a. Motion to approve the 2019 OBC AGM Minutes: moved by Holly Hendrigan. Seconded: Alex Kerr. Passed
 - b. Motion to have members approve OBC's Board's decision to no longer require an external auditor of the financial statements subsequent to March 2020. Moved: Don Haliburton. Seconded: Robyn Rennie. Passed.

3. **President's Report**
 - a. The complete report will be on the OBC website; to summarize, 2020 has been a very unusual year. The COVID-19 pandemic stimulated innovative projects and programs from clubs that included orienteering using GPS tracking, software such as MapRunF, with no use of SI. Despite barriers, most clubs are continuing with modified activities. We can expect that memberships will decline in 2021.
 - b. *ViaSport* has been supportive with extra funds
 - c. Thanks to all the OBC Board members serving in 2020

4. **Treasurer's Report**
 - a) *Moved by Don Haliburton, "The Financial Statements for the financial year ended March 31, 2020, be approved."* Seconded: Chris Ling. Passed.
 - a. Note that current balance sheet reflects extra funding from ViaSport

- b. Question: why does our fiscal year end in March and the AGM occur in November? *BC Societies Act* doesn't require societies to have their AGM and fiscal year end close together. However, there will be an attempt to better align these in 2021. This year's AGM was originally intended to be held in the summer, in conjunction with the BCOC, but that competition had to be cancelled, due to the pandemic.
- c. Question: will OBC get a fee break from Orienteering Canada this year? Fee paid in 2020 was \$11,000 (insurance and levy). OC will engage in discussions with provincial associations during the coming year to determine appropriate fees.

5. **Club Reports.** Received, and will be uploaded to OBC website. They will also be copied in the *Due West* newsletter.

6. **OBC Volunteer Recognition Award for 2020.** This year's awardee was **Robyn Rennie** (GVOC). Robyn has been a long-time active member of GVOC, and has made many contributions to the club's programs over the years, particularly as an organizer. Most recently, she was an outstanding Event Director for the highly successful Vancouver Sprint Camps in 2019 and 2020 – a major undertaking! She has also served as an OBC Board member (including OBC Secretary) for several years, and as Lead of the Events Team within GVOC, responsible for annual competition programming. In 2020, she quickly pivoted to introducing and supporting the use of *MapRunF* software, which enabled GVOC event organizers to continue offering COVID-safe O events during the pandemic. Over the years, she has proven to be a multi-talented, focused and committed volunteer for her favourite sport.

7. **Election of Officers for the OBC Board:** Nominations were made for the following positions, which each have a one-year term:

President: Brian Ellis

Vice-president: *Empty*

Treasurer: Don Haliburton

Secretary: Holly Hendrigan

Member-at-large: Chris Ling, Jackie Bonn, Linda Hildebrandt, Ross Burnett, Laurent Mingo, Chris Bullock, Kevin Matrosovs

All nominees were elected by acclamation.

8. **Motion for Adjournment:** Moved by Jim Webster. Seconded: Linda. Passed. Meeting adjourned 8:18 pm.

