



**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL AND GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS
OF SQUASH ONTARIO**

**Held at Lionhead Golf & Country Club
Brampton, Ontario**

On the 12th day of September 2009 at nine o'clock in the morning

Tom Craig, President of Squash Ontario, called the meeting to order and acted as Chair of the meeting. Sherry Funston acted as Secretary of the meeting.

Tom introduced the current Board of Directors and the professional staff of Squash Ontario.

The Chair stated that he had been informed by the Secretary of Squash Ontario that proper notice of this meeting had been given to each member of Squash Ontario and to the Squash Ontario auditors. The Chair also reported that a quorum of members of Squash Ontario was present in person or by authorized delegate. He, therefore, declared the meeting to have been regularly called and properly constituted.

The President provided a brief background on the governance change which has taken place and which now recognizes the member facilities as the voting delegates of the Association. He stated that this was one of the major initiatives identified in a 2008 Strategic Planning Forum.

Appended to these minutes is a list of voting delegates, their club representation and number of votes allowed to be cast.

The Chair noted, for the record, that there were 45 clubs present or represented by authorized delegates and that the quorum for the meeting was 32 and that the votes eligible to be cast was 202 and to pass any motion, it would require 50% plus 1 or 102. The Chair indicated that each voting delegate has two coloured ballots in their package – the blue to be used to approve motions; the red to vote against motions.

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Upon motion duly made, (Penny Glover representing the RA Club), seconded (Brian Clarke) representing the Sudbury Y) and unanimously carried, it was

Resolved that:

The reading of the amended minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Squash Ontario, held 7 June 2008 at the Sport Alliance of Ontario, 1185 Eglinton Avenue East in Toronto, be waived and approved.

Board of Directors' Report

Tom Craig advised that the "state of the union" report from the Board of Directors was included in the annual meeting package but that Directors would entertain any questions from the delegates. Tom emphasized how important the volunteer committees are to the effectiveness of Squash Ontario and singled out each and every member of the High Performance, Junior Advisory, Masters, and Doubles and apologized to the Officiating Committee for its mention being left out of the State of the Union report.

The Chair also thanked the member facilities who hosted Ontario Championships and Canadian Championships in the past season and took the opportunity to publicly thank Squash Ontario's major partners – Black Knight, Ridley Windows and Doors, Dunlop, Head, The Jesters Club and the Ministry of Health Promotion.

The Chair advised those present that Squash Ontario had nominated David Howard for an Ontario Government Outstanding Achievement Award which he received at the annual Sport Awards Ceremony in April 2009; the Chair also advised that Squash Ontario had nominated Sheaffer Pens for an Ontario Government Corporate Citation award and it too was recognized at the Annual Sport Awards Ceremony.

The Chair mentioned that two Board members had stepped down in 2009 due to professional commitments – Lorraine Tetreault and Mike Bertin and he thanked them for their efforts and Tom Craig also took the opportunity to thank Bob Todd for his contributions to the Board this past year. Bob worked very hard to develop the Member Rewards Program.

In Closing, the Chair thanked Lolly Gillen who chaired the 2009 Nominating Committee and who facilitated changes to the nominating process.

Vice President, Finance Report

The financial statements of Squash Ontario for the fiscal year ending 31 March 2009 were presented by Jennifer Bennett, Vice President Finance.

Jennifer indicated that we have enjoyed seven consecutive years of surpluses and advised that she supports and recommends that the Association keep a minimum of 18-24 months operating funds on hand. And Jennifer further advised that the wisdom of this policy is evidenced by the fact that due to the economic downturn, our base grant from the Ministry of Health Promotion has been cut by 21% over the next 2 years.

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A question was raised as to what percentage of squash facilities in Ontario were members of Squash Ontario; Jennifer replied that it was about 86%.

A question was raised as to whether Squash Ontario has considered going to a paperless delivery system for tournaments and flyers; Jennifer replied that the Board would discuss this at its first meeting, however, many clubs still prefer to receive the hard copies of flyers. Jennifer did point out that all flyers and clinic information are listed on the website in pdf format so club professionals can easily download and send on to their own members.

Acceptance of the Financial Statements

Upon motion duly made (Jim Rowland representing Dixie Squash Club), seconded (Rob Brooks representing Fabulous Fitness) and unanimously carried, it was

Resolved that:

The financial statements for the fiscal year ending 31 March 2009 be accepted.

Appointment of Auditors

Upon motion duly made (Martyn Homer representing Richmond Hill Squash Club), seconded (Penny Glover representing RA Club) and unanimously carried, it was

Resolved that:

Messrs. BDO Dunwoody be appointed auditors of Squash Ontario to hold office until a successor is appointed at a remuneration to be fixed by the Directors, the Directors being authorized to fix such remuneration.

Acts of the Board of Directors

Upon motion duly made (Penny Glover representing RA Club), seconded (Paul Ryan representing Barrie Racquets Club) and unanimously carried, it was

Resolved that:

The acts of the Board of Directors since the adjournment of the 2008 Annual General Meeting be ratified and confirmed.

Election of the 2009/2011 Squash Ontario Board of Directors

Lolly Gillen, Chair of the 2009-2011 Nominating Committee presented the slate of Directors on behalf of the Committee. She advised that the Nominating Committee was comprised of Paul Ryan, Tom Porter, Mark Sachvie, Stacy Bell and herself and further advised that the Board and Committee had undergone a thorough restructuring of the nominating process, resulting in a more open and transparent approach to identifying candidates.

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Upon motion duly made (Stacy Bell representing Garrison Squash Club), seconded, (Tara Mullins representing Goodlife lubs) and unanimously carried

It was

Resolved that:

The following people are elected Directors of Squash Ontario to hold office until the next annual meeting of members or until their successors are elected or appointed:

Tom Craig, Brenda Forbes, Andrew Mount, Chris Sadler

Appointment of Legal Advisory

Upon motion duly made, (Paul Ryan representing Barrie Racquets Club), seconded (Jeff Lurrie representing Royal Canadian Yacht Club) and unanimously carried, it was

Resolved that:

The Centre for Sport and Law be named the Corporation's legal advisory for the 2009-2010 fiscal year.

Other Business

- 1. Rankings – a question was raised by Mikola Czich as to why we do not enter all sanctioned event results into the rankings. Mark Sachvie advised him that we do – that all Open, A, B and Masters results from sanctioned events are entered.**
- 2. Tournament Software – a question was raised by Brian Clarke about tournament software program as he indicated he had found one that was relatively inexpensive and worked well. Mark Sachvie advised that Squash Ontario uses an integrated system of which the tournament program was just one of the components. He would look into how we could make this part of the program available to clubs without jeopardizing the privacy of the system. Mark noted that we might be able to put links to various companies offering tournament software on our Business of Squash website.**
- 3. Club Invoicing – a question was raised by Mikola Czich as to whether Squash Ontario would change its club membership date to September. Club owners and squash professionals who were in attendance were not in favour of this date, the objection being that early fall revenues are much lower than in December.**

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Adjournment

Upon motion duly made, (Patrick Hartunian representing the Toronto Cricket, Skating & Curling Club), seconded (Jim Rowland representing Dixie Squash Club) and unanimously carried, it was

Resolved that:

The 2009 Annual and General Meeting of Members be adjourned.

Tom Craig, President

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tom Craig." The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the beginning.

Sherry Funston, Secretary

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sherry Funston". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "S".

Dated this 14th day of September 2009

Voting Delegates

<u>Member Club</u>	<u>Number of Votes</u>	<u>Delegate</u>
Ajax Squash Club	2	Wayne Kumano
Badminton & Racquet Club	5	Eric Baldwin
Barrie Racquet Club	3	Paul Ryan
Cedar Springs Health Racquet & Sportsclub	12	Keith Griffiths
CFB Petawawa	1	Mikola Czich
CFB Trenton	2	Mikola Czich
Dixie Squash Club	2	Jim Rowland
Elora Racquet Club	3	Dana Castle
Fabulous Fitness	7	Rob Brooks
Garrison Squash Club	1	Stacy Bell
Glenway Country Club	5	Richard Yendell
Goodlife Fitness Peterborough	3	Tara Mullins
Goodlife Fitness Club One at Square One	3	Tara Mullins
Goodlife Fitness Club Galleria Mall	4	Tara Mullins
Goodlife Fitness Club McCaul	4	Tara Mullins
Goodlife Fitness Club Northridge	6	Tara Mullins
Goodlife Fitness Club Parkview	5	Tara Mullins
Goodlife Fitness Club Queensview	7	Tara Mullins
Goodlife Fitness Club Valhalla	4	Glenn Mendies
Goodlife Fitness Club Waterloo	4	Tara Mullins
Granite Club	7	Patrick Hartunian
London Squash Racquets Club	6	Andrew Mount
Mayfair Lakeshore Racquet & Fitness Club	14	Willie Hosey
Mayfair Parkway Racquet & Fitness Club	12	Willie Hosey
Mayfair West Racquet & Fitness Club	3	Willie Hosey
NDHQ	1	Mikola Czich
Nepean Squash Racquets Club	2	Mikola Czich
Northfield Squash Club	6	Ralph Bentfeld
Ottawa Athletic Club	6	Johnny Wilson
RA Club	7	Penny Glover
Richmond Hill Squash Club	4	Martyn Homer
Royal Canadian Yacht Club	6	Jeff Lurie
Sarnia Riding Club	2	Simon Warder
The Adelaide Club	4	Dennis Goodfellow
The Cambridge Club	3	Dennis Goodfellow
The Club at White Oaks	5	Rich Merlino
The Dunfield Club by Extreme Fitness	6	Bryan Chin
Toronto Athletic Club	5	Dennis Goodfellow
Toronto Cricket Skating & Curling Club	7	Patrick Hartunian
University of Toronto Hart House	1	David Cooper
University of Toronto Harbord	1	David Cooper
University of Toronto Mississauga	1	David Cooper
University of Toronto Scarborough	1	David Cooper
Windsor Squash & Fitness Club	6	Tom Porter
YMCA Sudbury	2	Brian Clarke
Quorum: 25% of Total Member Clubs:	32	
Number of Clubs Represented:	45	
Number of Courts Represented:	202	
To Pass Motions: 50% +1	103	