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RSC Board Meeting Minutes
January 12th, 2025
8:00pm AST
Via Google Meet

In Attendance: **Carly Simpson**
Sam Faris
Cameron Short
Julianna Bourne
Cathy Cunningham
Shannon Fox
Jana Hamiliton
Darren McLean

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1. **Welcome and Call to Order**
   Carly Simpson welcomed the board to the meeting. The meeting was called to order at 8:01 pm AST.

2. **Approval of the January 12th, 2025 Meeting Agenda**

   Motion: To approve the January 12th, 2025 meeting agenda as amended.
   Moved by: Cathy Cunningham
   Seconded by: Julianna Bourne

3. **Approval of the December 15th, 2024 Meeting Minutes**

   Motion: To approve the December 15th, 2024 Meeting Minutes as presented amended.
   Moved by: Cathy Cunningham
   Seconded by: Jana Hamilton

4. **Alberta Athlete Council Rep**
   RSA has not had a meeting since the last RSC meeting to discuss the communication from RSC.

   TASK: Carly Simpson to reach out to RSA to schedule a meeting with someone from their board and the RSA male athlete council representative.

5. **Request for Accommodations to Meet Athletes' Needs**

RSC received a request from a club looking for accommodations for the competition season.

1. Request for an athlete to compete up more than 2 age divisions.
2. Request for an athlete to compete twice in an event.
3. Request that a second attempt (scored or unscored) be permitted by the athlete at the request of the coach should the athlete become overwhelmed or have a negative experience that may deter them from further competition. To ensure a positive experience for the neurodivergent athletes.

The board discussed via email ahead of the meeting.

We feel this affects the local competitions and if RSA allows it and they qualify that is when the request would come to RSC.

TASK: Carly Simpson to tell RSA that we are recommending that the province can determine accommodations and if it is approved by RSA and the athletes qualify then the request can come to RSC.

TASK: Carly Simpson to respond to the club requesting accommodations to let them know that RSA will be discussing the request.

6. **RSC IJRU Qualifier & Team Canada** - Carly/Shannon/Julianna

The judges deadline is tonight January 12th for submitting scores. Cameron Short has been troubleshooting tablet and video hub errors. Scores have been coming in Cameron Short, Tim Segato and Nicola Eleniak have been checking scores as they come in to reduce the amount of tabulation time.

After scores are verified. Any reskips for triples and reclicks for speed will be completed and then the Team Canada staff will host a meeting to announce those who have qualified.

7. **IJRU Update** - Carly/Cameron

On the IJRU tech committee call they asked for a judge from each country to sit on the world record committee. Carly Simpson reached out to Brett Hambleton and she is willing to fill this position for Canada.

8. **Nationals 2025**

A communication from the NTC will be added to the January newsletter and the RSC website. This includes the overview of a schedule and links for hotels.

RSA has some promotional videos still in the works that can be used for promotion pre nationals.

8.1. Athlete Council Promotion Event - 3 schools have signed up for skipping shows/ demonstrations so far. The dates for the shows are May 1-2.

This will be open to any RSC athletes with preference going to Alberta athletes. Travel expenses will not be paid for travel to Saskatchewan from outside of Alberta.

TASK: Cameron to make a google form for expression of interest in the athlete promotional event in Saskatchewan.

Before finalizing the budget we need to know who is attending. U18 and 18+ athletes under 18 can not stay in accommodations together without chaperones. We need to know the configuration of the group and what type of accommodations will be required to set the budget. A per-athlete honorarium will be set to offset costs.

RSC will need waivers signed for any members carpooling and proof of insurance from the people driving.

Shannon Fox will donate some ropes to give to schools that get schools and RSC should make some information packages to give to schools.

9. Registration & Membership - Cameron

	Full					Full Total	Recreational		Recreational T	Temporary		Tempo	Grand
Province	Athlete	Coach	Coach/Athlete	Judge	Volunteer		Athlete	Coach/Athlete		Athlete			
Alberta Total	95	6	11	51	20	183	57		57				240
BC Total	109	5	13	13	8	148	67		67				215
Nova Scotia Total	25	6	1		6	38	47		47	4	4		89
Ontario Total	184	22	6	66	13	291	192	25	217				508
Grand Total	**413**	**39**	**31**	**130**	**47**	**660**	**363**	**25**	**388**	**4**	**4**		**1052**

10. Document Updates

10.1. National Qualification Policy

To clean up the national qualification policy we are removing everything that overlaps with the competition manual and adding the tie break rules.
TASK: Cameron Short to update the national qualification policy and get an updated copy of the competition manual from Sydney McLennan

11. Committee Updates & Review

11.1. Athlete Council - Sam F.

The athlete council mainly discussed the promotional event leading up to nationals. They discussed the camp at nationals. The people who have run it in the past are unavailable and no one in the current athlete council is willing to run the event.

TASK: Cameron Short to create a google form to gauge interest in a camp at the 2025 National Championships.

11.2. Competition Committee - Carly

Sydney is working on the approved edits for the competition manual. The committee is meeting Sunday, January 19th to discuss a 50+ category, judge quotas, and athlete A vs athlete B for wheel.

11.3. Coaching Committee - Shannon

Shannon sent out an email to the original coaching committee to see who is interested in staying on the committee.

11.4. Technical Committee - Cameron

All provinces' events for the year are set up in registration.

11.5. Awards Committee - Cameron

All of the application forms are updated to google forms.

12. Coast to Coast

British Columbia - Cathy

Teams are back from christmas break and working on routines for provincials. Records day for speed and power is coming up as well. Athletes are eager for the results from the IJRU qualifier.

Alberta - Julianna

Alberta is not doing a mix mingle and jump this year with the IJRU qualifier happening this year. They are having the Alberta open on Feb 22-23.

Ontario - Sam F.

Teams are back in their gyms now. The ORSO tournament committee started meeting to discuss their competitions for the year. The Ontario Open is at the end of the month.

Nova Scotia - Cameron

Teams are back from their holiday break. Teams are getting ready for provincials at the beginning of March. Athletes that participated in the qualifier are eager to hear the results.

13. New business

Newsletter - introducing the new board.

TASK: All board members send a write up to Cameron for the newsletter.

14. Old Business

14.1. Tasks From Previous Board Meetings

Tasks from the July 14, 2024 Board Meeting

TASK: Carly to get the rule book updated to state RSC is following the IJRU rules for 30+ **IN PROGRESS**

TASK: Cameron to add a reminder for RSC awards on all communications next season. **- IN PROGRESS**

Tasks from the August 11, 2024 Board Meeting

TASK: Carly to reach out to Alyssa about looking at RSA's documents, see if Sport Law can just review the documents instead of creating new ones. If RSA has the majority of the required policies can we get a reduced quote for creating the remainder and reviewing the current ones. **- IN PROGRESS**

Tasks from the November 24, 2024 Board Meeting

TASK: Carly to make a TOR for an RSC judging task force. -**IN PROGRESS**

TASK: Cameron to include the new rule book in the Team Canada and RSC December newsletter communications.**- IN PROGRESS**

TASK: PSO reps to get experienced nominees to sit on the awards committee. There is 1 position per province to serve a 2 year term. **-IN PROGRESS**

15. **Next Meeting: February 16th, 2025 at 8pm AST**

16. **Adjournment at 9:10pm AST**
    Moved by: Carly Simpson