



**Rope Skipping Canada**

**Saut à la Corde Canada**

**RSC Board Meeting Minutes**

**January 15, 2023**

**8:00pm ADT**

**Via Google Meet**

**In Attendance:** Carly Simpson  
Jodi Harrison  
Sam Faris  
Shannon Fox  
Cathy Cunningham  
Cameron Short

**Regrets:** Sam Ashley  
Mary Kish

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**1. Welcome and Call to Order**

Carly Welcomed the board to the meeting. The meeting was called to order at 8:03pm ADT.

**2. Approval of the January 15, 2023 Meeting Agenda**

Added 10.1, 10.2, 10.3 under Gender Divisions/Abilities, and Sam A. to provide financial/membership updates with the minutes.

**Motion:** To approve the January 15, 2023 meeting agenda as presented amended.

**Moved by:** Cathy

**Seconded by:** Sam F

**Carried**

**3. Approval of the December 11, 2022 Meeting Minutes**

**Motion:** To approve the December 11, 2022 Meeting Minutes as amended.

**Moved by:** Cathy

**Seconded by:** Jodi

**Carried**

**4. Committee Updates**

4.1. **Athlete Council** - Sam F.

Hasn't had a meeting since the last RSC Board meeting. Next meeting is January 28th. Shannon will be attending as the Team Canada Head Coach. The invite will also be sent to Tim and Cameron.

4.2. **Competition Committee** - Carly

Meeting this Wednesday to discuss the national records policy. To look at changing the way we track the records. Having a Sr and a Jr division instead of every age division.

4.2.1. Question about substitution rules for RSC

Email came from a club asking about substitutions. The board likes IJRU rules 50% of athletes on a team could be substituted as long as it doesn't change age division or gender categories.

4.3. **Coaching Committee** - Shannon

Next meeting is next weekend

4.4. **Technical Committee** - Cameron

Alberta and Ontario are in the process of setting up their first competitions. All NS, Alberta and Ontario competitions that require IJRU IP are in the registration system ready to be set up. Reached out to Adrea to confirm if JRBC provincials are ready for the IP request to be submitted.

The committee is working on having a process document that has all the proper codes and events for RSC based on Nationals for provinces to use as a guide until duplicating competitions is an option in the IJRU system

4.5. **Awards Committee** - Mary

**TASK:** Provincial reps to find members from each province to sit on the awards committee.

5. **IJRU Update**

5.1. **Rule Proposal Feedback** (sent with agenda)

All rules have been passed already except for the Appeals Proposal.

Conversation: A monetary value would limit some countries from making some appeals. The barrier to make a legitimate appeal could affect some countries. IJRU wants people to think about it before appealing scores. Canada does already have a fee associated with appeals. They are setting a dollar amount until after the rule is passed. We think it is okay as long as the value isn't too high.

Canada will vote to approve the change

5.2. **Election Nomination and Procedure Feedback** (sent with agenda)

This is an in-depth document that should be thoroughly read through.

**TASK:** Everyone is to read through the IJRU election nomination document and provide feedback before Jan 31st.

## 6. **NTC/ Nationals Update**

Haven't met recently. Cameron is sending a form to all RSC members to see what judge's shirt options they want and if they are interested in paying for additional items.

### 6.1. **True Sport Event**

Cameron to follow up on the criteria.

## 7. **IJRU Qualifiers and World Championships**

### 7.1. **DDC at IJRU 2023**

We don't have this as an event yet but we could have athletes qualify in the double dutch speed events.

We could ask PSO's to add it to their qualifying events or we could look at the Team Canada athletes and pick from that pool.

It could be a team building activity at the Team Canada bonding event.  
1 senior and 1 junior team can qualify to go.

**Motion:** To approve that the Head Coach of Team Canada will select the Senior and Junior DDC team from the qualifying Team Canada Athletes.

**Moved by:** Cathy

**Seconded by:** Sam F

**Carried**

### 7.2. **Competition Committee Webinar Update** - Cameron/Carly

A general information brochure will come out at the end of January from IJRU to share with members. At the end of February we will have more details with a registration manual. The end of May will have a detailed event schedule. Right now it is looking like IJRU will have 3 packages: 1 for athletes, 1 for coaches and 1 for judges. They have thrown around potential numbers but nothing is official.

RSC was asked to give an estimate of the total number of Team Canada attendees.

NGB's will get fined if we don't supply enough judges and we will have to nominate judges based on each day of competition.

Next meeting is January 20th - Carly will send the link to Cameron and Tim

**8. Financial Statement and Membership Update** - Sam A. to provide an update with the minutes.

**9. Insurance Company** - Shannon

Shannon is meeting with her contact again later this month

**10. Gender Divisions/Abilities** - Carly

10.1. Proposal for adding the following language to the RSC Competition Manual in section 3.2: "Athletes may compete in their preferred gender category, regardless of whether or not they have undergone hormone therapy."

10.2. Proposal for changing the name of the individual "Male" categories to "Male/Any Gender"

10.3. Proposal for adding language at the end of the section saying: "If an athlete is planning to compete at an international competition, they will need to abide by the rules outlined in the IJRU Gender Eligibility Policy."

Conversation: Will we allow cis females to also compete in the Any Gender and potentially get to nationals in the any category because they can't qualify under female.  
- This will be brought to the competition committee.

**TASK:** Ask Svante to add Male/Any Gender to registration as a gender option. After confirmation from Carly and the Competition Committee

**11. Canada Wide Recognition**

"Jump Rope Canada" group has expressed interest in working with us. They want to meet with RSC. Sam F and Carly will meet with the group to open up a conversation.

**12. Coast to Coast**

**British Columbia** - Cathy

Feb 1st to 20th is BC Records Day. Teams are doing this on their own and all the scores will get tabulated. The 2nd IJRU qualifier is Feb 10-11. About 20 athletes will be attending the qualifier. The Provincial Championships are April 14-16. JRBC is working on their judging policy using ORSO's and RSA's judging policies as a reference.

**Alberta** - Jodi

Trying an event called "Mix, Mingle and Jump" at the end of January. They will be creating teams randomly for freestyle and speed events. Music will also be assigned randomly for freestyle events. RSA is working toward their open competition that will also be their first IJRU qualifier.

**Ontario** - Sam F.

The rescheduled ORSO workshop and judge training happened this weekend. Everyone seemed to have a good time. The judge training had a lot of attendance even with the short notice. A virtual training needs to happen also. ORSO has a lot of new judges. This was the first live judge training in Ontario since 2019. Feb 25/26 is the Ontario Open competition and the Provincial Championships are April 1st - 2nd.

**Nova Scotia** - Cameron

Just getting back into it after the holiday break. Transition back has been smooth and NS athletes are looking forward to the IJRU qualifiers coming up. The RSANS Board has been working on the check list sent by the NTC for nationals.

### **13. New business**

Carly got a message from a man in Japan who is moving to Calgary. They are looking to work with a team in Calgary and help with DDC. Carly sent them the information for teams around the Calgary area.

### **14. Old Business**

#### **14.1. Tasks From Previous Board Meetings**

#### **Tasks from May, 20, 2022 Board Meeting**

**TASK:** Cameron to reach out to Andrej about team show disciplines on the JumpRopeJudge App  
**- IN PROGRESS**

#### **Tasks from June 26, 2022 Board Meeting**

**TASK:** Carly to reach out to IJRU about permanent residency and if we can get an exemption. -  
**IN PROGRESS**

**TASK:** Carly to reach out to the marketing committee and set up a meeting. - **IN PROGRESS**

#### **Tasks from the November 13, 2022 Board Meeting**

**TASK:** Cathy, Jodi and Sam F to send IJRU IP invoice to PSO treasures to get it paid ASAP. Including the 1.3493 exchange rate for the day it was paid by RSC. - **still need payment from Ont and BC**

**TASK:** Shannon will ask a contact about Sport insurance. -**IN PROGRESS**

**TASK:** Everyone to look into insurance companies in each province.-**IN PROGRESS**

**TASK:** Sam to send a summary of fees for Constant Contact to the board for approval to send to Bonnie. -**IN PROGRESS**

#### **Tasks from the December 11, 2022 Board Meeting**

**TASK:** Carly to send an email IJRU about the athlete council and cc Thomas and Taylor. - **IN PROGRESS**

**TASK:** Carly to present the national record policy to the competition committee to make adjustments for the competition season - **IN PROGRESS**

**TASK:** Cameron to add the updated Awards timeline to a new years newsletter - **COMPLETED**

**TASK:** PSO reps to go back to boards about getting committee members for the awards committee.

**TASK:** Carly, Shannon, Cameron to meet about language around the gender divisions and abilities.

**TASK:** To add information about an inclusion committee and see if anyone is interested to the next newsletter

**TASK:** Jodi to ask if RSA already has a policy about trans athletes. - **COMPLETED**

**TASK:** Cameron to make a google form for the NTC of judging shirts / styles that judges can choose from. Have this for the next NTC meeting - **IN PROGRESS**

**TASK:** Carly to get the competition committee to look at the Judging Quotas for nationals. - **IN PROGRESS**

**TASK:** Sam A to get mock ups of RSC pins to present to the board. - **IN PROGRESS**

**TASK:** Cameron to reach out to contact about RSC Nationals being a certified True Sport Event - **IN PROGRESS**

**TASK:** everyone to think about DDC qualifying options - **COMPLETED**

**TASK:** Carly to reach out to Tim about the Team Canada Manager position. - **COMPLETED**

**TASK:** Sam A to send the expense form to the board -**COMPLETED**

**TASK:** Sam A to reach out to Jana about her clothing inventory. **IN PROGRESS**

**15. Next Meeting February 12th**

**16. Adjournment**

Tasks from this board meeting:

**TASK:** Ask Svante to add male/any to registration as a gender option. After confirmation from Carly/Competition Committee

**TASK:** Provincial reps to find members from each province to sit on the awards committee.

**TASK:** Everyone to read through the IJRJ election nomination doc provide feedback before Jan 31st.