

2025 Speed Skate New Brunswick Annual General Meeting - October 29th, 2025 - via zoom

Attendees:

Matt Munro – Chair

John Ward – Vice-Chair

Derrick MacLeod – Technical Director & Provincial Pathway Coach

Denis Boudreau – Finance Director

Brian Cole – Officials Chair

Restigouche Comets (4 votes) – Jeremy Martin & Melanie Wood (interim Competitions chair)

Caraquet (4 votes) – Pierre Marc Brideau & Guylaine Chiasson

Codiac (7 votes) – Sandrine Mallais & Lucie Ferguson

Fredericton (8 votes) – Adam Leclerc, Gobinda Saha, Manon Dionne, Susan Tao, Benoit Locas, Leon Sanchez

Saint John (6 votes) – Kristina Korotovskikh, Natalie Sgrossso, & Greg Artz

Saint Croix (3 votes) – Could not attend – send regrets

Established quorum (7 clubs in attendance with 30 of 36 possible votes attending)

Meeting Minutes:

Matt Munro called to order at 7:07 p.m.

No conflicts of interest declared.

Approval of Minutes of 2024 AGM - moved to approve by Denis Boudreau, seconded by Melanie Wood, Carried. No business arising from the 2024 minutes

Reports and Communications – posted online for review prior to meeting.

Reports received from Fredericton, Saint John, Restigouche, Codiac, Hampton, and Technical Director. No other reports received.

Financial report:

Denis Boudreau presented the financial statements for the year ending April 30, 2025, noting a stable financial position. He highlighted the prompt payment from clubs and mentioned a pending HST filing, all other filings are up to date. Denis also discussed the deferred funding of \$17,000 and the proposed budget for the upcoming year, excluding timing equipment costs as they were covered by a recent grant. The group discussed collaborating on timing equipment across Atlantic provinces to share resources and expertise, this process was begun last season when the Codiac Cyclones & SSNB hosted the Canada Youth Championships.

Denis highlighted the need to maintain a healthy fund balance due to uncertainty in provincial funding, which was reduced to \$75,000 for the current year. The 2025-2026 budget will include a deficit of approximately \$5,000, however we have good cash savings to cover any overrun.

Denis acknowledged the opportunity to invest funds and generate interest. Denis also communicated a recent BOD decision to maintain current meet registration fees for the 85-meter track and implement a 10% increase for the 100-meter track, while waiving SSNB's charges to clubs for events so the money could be reinvested back into host clubs.

Motion to approve budget by Melanie Wood, second by Adam Leclerc. Carried

NCCP Course Updates and Planning

Derrick provided an update on NCCP courses, noting that he conducted a Teaching the Basics course with over 20 participants and a Fundamentals Leaders course with 16 participants. For the upcoming season, he plans to offer additional courses pending interest. Derrick also mentioned that about 70% of active coaches are registered in Icereg, and he will follow up with notable names not registered. Additionally, he is in touch with Speed Skating Canada regarding a French language course for officials and will provide updates when more information is available.

The Election of Officers

Finance (2 yr) – Denis Boudreau re- offering, Matt asked for any other nominations. No further nominations. Vote = carried and elected

Competitions (1 yr) – Adam Leclerc offering. Matt asked for any other nominations. No further nominations. Vote = carried and elected. Melanie offered to provide templates and support to Adam for the competition's role.

Vice-Chair (2 yr) – no Nominations. We will seek out someone with board background and preferably member with past board experience and knowledge.

New Business:

Thank you to retiring directors Melanie Wood and John Ward and all the work that they have done for the sport and provincial organization.

Terms of Reference – Athlete Development Committee. Derrick requested that term length of 6 years be removed as it is difficult to get members with necessary experience. In addition, no terms exist in bylaws for other directors. Moved by Denis Boudreau to remove term limit if 6 years, seconded by Natalie Sgrosso, Passed.

Discussion on setting next AGM date. New date has been set for September 16th with back-up date of September 23rd

Discussion on having information shared to new registrants on what to expect when attending first competition. Melanie has a translated document that she can share.

Adjournment – called by Natalie Sgrosso – all in favor - 8:22 p.m.

