



Ontario Tenpin Bowling Association

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Special Board Meeting – October 29, 2011

A Special Board meeting of the Ontario Tenpin Bowling Association was held In Burlington, Ontario at the Hilton Garden Inn.

Roll Call

- President Charlotte Konkle, Vice President Della Trude and 2nd Vice President Linda McCormick were in attendance.
- Directors in attendance
 - Alvin Clarke, Maureen Close, Lena Donahoe, Wayne Dubs, Alf Ferguson, Jamie Morand, Karen Nicol, Donna Lloyd, Jayne Picott, Denis Welch, Louie Willemsen, Jim Lester.
- Directors who were absent:
 - Deborah Hope, Ron Jones, Ann, King, Brian McLean, Mike Payne
- Life Members in attendance
 - Barrie MacKenzie, John McLean, Shirley Williams
- Special Guest
 - Parmik Chahal (Government Consultant)

Opening of the meeting

- Charlotte Konkle opened the meeting at 1:25 pm.
- A special meeting of the Ontario Tenpin Bowling Association was called to discuss the merger of 5 pin bowling and Tenpin Bowling under one umbrella. This is being driven by the government.
- Charlotte introduced Parmik Chahal and stated that he was from the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care and the Ministry of Citizenship and Administration.
- Parmik took over in June 2011. He stated that there are 62 PSO's that represent 10 sports and 6 consultants. Parmik looks after 5 and tenpin Bowling.
- He reported that the government only wants one provincial sport body to report into them for the sport of bowling. Therefore we need to form a parent organization that would represent 5 pin and tenpin bowling.
- 5 pin is very strong as well as Tenpin is very strong but as two organizations. This needs to be one in the government eyes.
- BFC – Bowling Federation of Canada gives money to Bowl Canada, CTF and Canadian5 pin association
- The Ontario Tenpin Bowling Association stated that it is willing to merge so that we can obtain a common voice for bowling to deal with the Ontario Government. That way we would receive funding to help support the Ontario athletes so that they do not go to the United States. Currently the United States can offer bowlers a better deal than Canada can.
- OTBC was dissolved as this was the first step.
- Bowl Ontario is now in the picture so it will be 5 pin and Tenpin and Bowl Ontario to form this voice for Bowling to the government.
- 5 pin has been getting funding from the government for the last 12 years
- The new parent organization needs to be NOT FOR PROFIT to get funding from the ministry but Bowl Ontario owns bowling centers. How do they deal with this?
- To get Base Funding we need to be
 - NOT FOR PROFIT
 - INCORPORATED
 - 2.5 million dollars' worth of insurance
 - Audited Financial Statement from and accountant
 - Copy of AGM Minutes

Base funding can be used for an office, staff, moving the sport forward etc.

- If we do not do this then Bowl Ontario and 5 pin bowling will go forward as the Bowling entity that talks to the government.
- If Tenpin bowling does not move quickly, 5 pin will not be penalized. They will still get base funding for the first year while this merger happens.
- John stated that we do not really have the expertise to apply for base funding but 5 pin does as they have been doing it for years. They would be a definite asset.
- If we merge we would expect to get funding for special projects.
- In looking for insurance we should talk to SAO (Sports Alliance of Ontario) as we may get a better rate.
- The new organization (i.e. Ontario Bowling Federation) would also need insurance, incorporation and bylaws etc.
- BFC does not organize tournament but the lower levels do so this would still be okay.
- We could submit our base funding application to Parmik for his comments before actually submitting the application to the government for approval. He has experience as is will to help us.
- We also have the ability to submit a complaint to the government if we think we did not get what we asked for.
- Right now we need to complete steps 1, 2 and 3 of the Sport Recognition Policy Sport recognition.
- We must set a minimum cost for registration into this organization. The government is saying that 5 cents is not good. You need to set a realistic membership cost so that you can be counted.
- This new organization should have a common administration staff. In other words not each local executive. They should do all the administration work for 5 pin, Tenpin etc. This common administration should submit the base funding application to the government.
- SBF Projects: Develop bowling programs for schools eg: 5 Pin and Tenpin submit a project together. The government loves combined projects.
- Parmik said the biggest issue will be the allocation of the base funding.
- The BFC board consists of equal representations for each of the bodies.
- According to CTF the Provincial dues can be set as high as \$3.00.
- The PSO provides the following to the bowlers.

- Membership – Recreation
- Membership – Competitive
- Parmik said he would give us 3 – 4 weeks to decide on how we would proceed.
- What is the ministry doing for us if CTF keeps raising the dues? Parmik will look into this.
- We stated that we are 5% competitive versus 95% recreational.
- Any questions for Parmik please feel free to email him at

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Parmik left at 3:33

- The board discussed what we need to do next.
 - Karen Nicol made a motion that we incorporate. Seconded by Linda McCormick. – Carried
 - Della Trude made a motion that we get the insurance that we need. Seconded by Wayne Dubs, Carried. John McLean will look into insurance
 - John McLean will get the cost of insurance and we will have an EMAIL vote.
 - John McLean stated that he knows a CPA that would audit our books for \$75.00. Wayne Dubs made a motion, seconded by Donna Lloyd that John proceed. Carried
 - John McLean made a motion that 5 pin, Bowl Ontario and Tenpin go forward to create a PSO – Carried.
- Meeting adjourned at 3:58