

**Milton Youth Volleyball Club operating as “Milton Edge”
2019 Annual General Meeting**

Date: June 6th, 2019

Location: Milton Sports Centre – Banquet Room

Time: 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Agenda:

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Minutes from 2018 AGM
3. Report from Executive
4. Presentation of Financial Statements
5. Proposed Amendments to Bylaws
6. Election of Board Members
7. New Business
8. Adjournment

In attendance:

In attendance (27): Amy Buchanan, Janice Lamers, Tim Lamers, Stuart Hooper, Tatum Gunn, Tanya Taylor, Tracey Parn, Sam Mofti, Kady Lavalley, Crispin Martin, C. Gus Tsiapalis, Jeremy Stevens, John Canjar, Kendra Bertuzzi, Mario Bertuzzi, Doug Sauners, Suhayl Muhtaseb, Mike Cameron, Tracy Morrison, Jack Cabral, Linnea Davis, Debra Donaghey, Jennifer Williamson, Peter Sloodweg, Denise Crowder, Jacqueline Tsiapalis,

1) Approval of Agenda

Gus Tsiapalis opened the 4th annual AGM at 7:15 pm and approved the agenda

2) Approval of the Minutes of May 31st, 2018

1st order to approve the May 31st, 2018 - Tanya Taylor 1st and Sam Mofti motioned 2nd

3) Report from Executive

Tanya Taylor recapped successes

Revamped our Milton Edge logo and uniform revamp - thanks Kendra Bertuzzi and Tracey Parn

Increased the social media presence - thanks Debra Donaghey

Flyers and graphic design - Jag Dhamarait

Website - revamp thanks to the work of Jacqueline Tsiapalis and Satheesh Nagaranan - Satheesh kept the medal count online up to date

\$12,000 sponsorship funds were raised - big kudos to Jennifer Williamson for her work

Developed bylaw amendments - we are ready for the new act when that comes into effect

We tried to accomplish sponsorships but we fell short in funds

We hired a consultant with experience developing non-for-profits and sporting organizations.

We shifted our club with strength and conditioning - with the Athletic Matrix and Offball app.

We partnered with a lot of school tournaments.

We need to build a lot from the bottom up with building up our enrollment with the grade 5 to 8 age range.

Parent and player program and had the highest numbers, ever - Spikes program.

We elevated the coaches responsibility with the assistant coaches.

We improved our TPR manual.

Improved the lines of communication with the teams and the board with a TPR Lead Grace Jayme

We brought in a Coach Director - to assist the head and assistant coaches, and ran coach clinics.

The internal reffing program that is established but not implemented.

We have hit our numbers for beach volleyball and above in comparison to 2018.

We are adding more beach volleyball camps.

We have 3 OVA beach tournaments this year - we had 2 in 2018 - which also drives income for the club.

We had a Toy Drive, Peanut Butter Drive - Jennifer Williamson, Tracy Morrison, Tanya Taylor - thanks!

We had a great year-end banquet!

We had an incredible performance this year. 36 medals and 2 with beach.

4) Presentation of the 2018 to 2019 Financials, as of May 31st, 2019

Sam Mofti, Treasurer

Our expenses went up and revenue up by 15%

We exceeded the break-even point with our beach program. It is starting to be a very profitable program for us.

The uniforms were a big expense.

The OVA rental and fees went up.

We forecasted \$1000 per team - we received grants and sponsorships to bring the costs per team down.

We have increased in rental and bank charges which reflected on our expenses.

Sept 1 to August 31 is our fiscal year.

We ran into a negative after the indoor season but the beach is starting to build up our revenue.

John Canjar asked if any revenue will be spent on the coaches wish list. Sam responded, "We will know better by the fiscal year what is available to spend."

Tanya Taylor commented that we should walk through all the equipment that we already have to see how it can be best used for the next season.

2019 - 11 teams and approximately 220 athletes. It was missed in the minutes to the comparison or increase with the number of athletes from 2017/2018.

5) Call for Amendments to Club Constitution and Bylaws

Tanya Taylor:

We are following last years bylaws in the election of the new Board.

We consulted with several youth organizations in Milton to change our governance.

Next year, coaches are not able to vote.

Athletes are not able to vote.

Only 1 vote per family not by a number of athletes per family.

We are asking for some of the Board positions to make it a 2-year term for next year.

Tanya Taylor - Motioned that the new bylaws are in effect for 2020 Kendra Bertuzzi and Jacqueline Tsiapalis 2nd.

6) Call for Nominations for the Executive Committee (5 positions available) and Elections

5 positions are we running an election for:

Gus Tsiapalis is running for President

Debra Donaghey nominated Tanya Taylor for President but she declined

Jacqueline Tsiapalis nominated John Canjar for VP but he declined

John Canjar nominated Kendra Bertuzzi for VP but she declined

Tanya Taylor nominated Suhayl Muhtaseb for VP - he accepted the nomination

Tracey Parn nominated Tatum Gunn for Treasurer and she accepted

Tracey Parn nominated Kendra Bertuzzi for Secretary but she declined

Tanya Taylor nominated Amy Buchanan for Secretary and she accepted

Sam Mofti nominated Tanya Taylor for Exec Admin/Operations and she accepted

Board Members that were elected for the 2019/2020 season were the following:

Gus Tsiapalis, President

Tanya Taylor, Operations and Parent Representative

Suhayl Muhtaseb, Vice President

Tatum Gunn, Treasurer

Amy Buchanan, Secretary

7) New Business or Ideas

Gus Tsiapalis:

OVA has opened up the pre-signing offer window for 15U athletes and higher.

Our Coaching Director is currently in the process of deciding the coaching assignments.

There will be a message to the 15 to 18U Coaches will be the 1st draft for the pre-offers of athletes

We have the template set-up for the pre-offer and it is all ready to go

We hope to get more practice time in the schools versus the velodrome and this will hopefully play a big impact on the fees.

Kendra Bertuzzi:

Be aware of the schools due to all the PA days - less practice time.

Denise Crowder - can we have more practice time? 3 days per week?

Gus Tsiapalis responded that we are working on that depending on the facility availability.

Linnea Davis - older girls do not want to do the Friday practices - maybe think about changing the day to a Thursday but not Friday

Crispin Martin - a lot of the school use the gyms for their own practices (gyms are not available). We can really get around it. Elementary 1 night per week; high schools 2 times per week. We are always trying to get the best variety of fit for the groups/teams that they are servicing.

Jacqueline has been our space permit contact with Crispin - it has been a lot of communication and work.

Suhayl Muhtaseb:

Matrix - the younger teams get more out of more practice versus the fitness portion. Can that be an option for the next season?

Tanya Taylor:

The sooner that we can determine the coaches the sooner we can lock in the season plan

Jack Cabral:

Is there any money in the budget for starting the indoor season and practices in the summer with the pre-offer athletes

Jacqueline Tsapalis

The OVA offers have really changed in 15 to 18U - before the tryout period has started the athletes can be given athletes.

Parent:

Are we going to make it transparent to the athletes and parents how many openings we are accepting per team with this new pre-offer policy.

Tanya Taylor:

We tentatively have 2 15U teams in the works and plan

Denise Crowder: Newsletter to all the teams when they are playing at Nationals - where they were playing and what is happening so all the teams can support each other.

Extra gym space - bring together 2 different Edge teams together to bring together that community.

Jack Cabral asked to have technology or software to track statistics.

Linnea Davis would love to have a video camera to record the performance of the athletes to track their improvement.

Stuart Hooper: We should look to host high school tournaments to generate interest in the club.

8) Adjournment

Tanya Taylor called the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.