



DRAFT ASSEMBLY Minutes ~ Men's Technical Committee ~ August 11, 2019

Location:	Time:	
Whistler Athlete Centre, 1090 Legacy Way, Whistler, BC	9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	
Attendance:	Regrets:	Absent:
See APPENDIX #1 for Attendance List	N/A	N/A

1 Welcome and call to order

- Mike Hood called the meeting to order, at 9:03 AM.
- An attendance sheet was passed around for all participants to complete.

2 Agenda

2.1 Additions to the Agenda

- There were no additions to the Agenda, as circulated.

2.2 Approve Agenda

MOTION: "To approve the August 11, 2019 Assembly Meeting Agenda, as circulated."

Thorstein / Lucas CARRIED

3 Meeting Minutes

3.1 Amendments or additions to July 21, 2018 MAG Assembly meeting minutes, as circulated electronically – none noted

3.2 Approve the minutes

MOTION: "To approve the July 21, 2018 Assembly minutes, as circulated."

Richard / MikeS CARRIED

4 Reports

4.1 Chairperson – Michael Hood (See **APPENDIX #2**)

A written report will follow for inclusion in the minutes.

- the committee ran well over the past 12 months
- Competitions this past season seemed to run smoothly
- At the end of the fiscal year there was money left in the MTC budget, allowing the committee to help the medal winners with some of their expenses
- The Canada Winter Games a less successful event for the men's team than we thought it would be, with a 5th place team ranking.
- GBC is currently looking for a new CEO. The interim CEO is Andrée Montreuil Mike is on the hiring committee
- It is great to see that some BC National Team members are being exposed to international events.

4.2 Coaching Chairman – Richard Ikeda (See **APPENDIX #3**)

A written report will follow for inclusion in the minutes.

- BC followed our plan for the camps this season, except a June Elite Camp due to Elite Canada
- We will have a similar schedule for camps in the coming year
- The CDN team started well at Worlds in Doha, but deteriorated slowly as the event went along, with Pommel Horse proving a disaster. They did recover well to have a strong performance on Parallel Bars. Ed van Hoof was happy to see that the team did not give up, but instead chose to fight on the last events.
- Ed van Hoof is the new National Coach for MAG. He is a very positive voice during trainings and in competition. The feeling is definitely that our team will look better in Stuttgart at the 2019 Worlds.
- ACTION: JOHN - to share the new pathways with the province's MAG clubs as soon as possible.

4.3 Judging Chairman – Chris Sheremeta (See **APPENDIX #4**)

A written report will follow for inclusion in the minutes.

- BC had eight new Entry Level judges this year.
- Local meets were better for getting assignments done as there are now more judges available.

4.3 GBC MAG Technical Coordinator – John Carroll (See **APPENDIX #5**)

5 New Business

5.1 MTC Retreat

There is a possibility that we will consider joining the MAG and WAG retreats into one weekend. This would allow us to share common areas of discussion, socialize together and still meet on individual items as we need to. Looking at dates for the 2020 retreat, we need to take into account the timing of the Olympics on the calendar. We will look at hosting the event in either Whistler or Loon Lake.

5.2 Future Retreats / Assemblies

Assemblies – BC Championships is a tough time to hold an assembly for the community, however it would be great to have the Judges Annual Meeting there to run elections and report on the season. The General Program Assembly will take place at the Retreat

ACTION: JOHN and CHRIS to ensure the MAG Judges' Assembly is added to the BC Championships schedule.

Retreat – We will keep the retreat for one more year and then re-evaluate its importance for the future.

6 Elections

Mike passed the chair to John to run the elections. John and Andrée acted as scrutineers for ballot counting.

6.1 Committee Chair

- Nominations were requested from the floor, three times
- Nominated: Michael J Hood, Thorstein Fischer
- A paper ballot was run – **Michael J Hood** was elected, by majority votes for a 2-year term.

6.2 Judging Chair

- Nominations were requested from the floor, three times
- Nominated: Chris Sheremeta
- By acclamation – **Chris Sheremeta** was proclaimed Judging Chairman for a 2-year term.

6.3 Member at Large #1

6.4 Member at Large #2

6.5 Member at Large #3

- Nominations were requested from the floor, three times
- Nominated: Thorstein Fischer, Alexander Pozdniakov, Kris Krunick, Isaac Mocombe, Michael Sergeant, Mark Rowbotham
- A paper ballot was run, asking for three names to be written on each ballot
 - Round #1 **Alexander Pozdniakov** was elected, by majority votes. There was no clear 2nd or 3rd winners
- A paper ballot was run, asking for two names to be written on the ballot
 - Round #2 **Kris Krunick** and **Michael Sergeant** were elected by majority votes.

6.4 Destruction of Ballots

MOTION: "To destroy the ballots."

MikeJ / Ken

CARRIED

7 Adjournment

MOTION: "To adjourn."

Richard / 9:42 AM.

APPENDIX 1 – MEETING ATTENDANCE

Richard Ikeda – MTC/Twisters

Chris Sheremeta – MTC/Delta

Mark Rowbotham – LGF

Alexander Pozdniakov – Phoenix

John Carroll – GBC Staff

Michael J Hood – MTC

Thorstein Fischer – MTC/Delta

Karl McPherson – Zone 7

Isaac Morcombe - Inspire

Andrée Montreuil – GBC Staff

Ken Ikeda – MTC/Twisters

Michael Sergeant – Surrey

Lucas Tiefenbach – Inspire

APPENDIX 2 – Committee Chairman Report – MICHAEL HOOD

APPENDIX 3 – Coaching Chairman Report – RICHARD IKEDA

Comments: This report will span from the last report, at the meeting in July 21, 2018.

Review of events that have occurred since our last meeting back in July: This year was a productive year with a number of good results. The results summary is noted below. We have had a variety of representation at many different events. Also Canada has a new National Team Coach Eddie Van Hoof. He is from England and has taken over for about a year now. He is focused on qualifying a team to Olympic Games this year.

2018

July World Trials July 26-29th, Montreal QC - The worlds team was selected based on this event with prior events being considered. Zachary Clay made the team and will be going to World. Also Devy Dyson made the New Zealand team and will be attending worlds with Alexander Pozdniakov.

Aug Aspire Camp 2 Aug 19-24th, Montreal

Sept BC Elite Camp Aug 31-Sept 2, Surrey gym and TAG gym - This was the first elite camp of the season. We had Dave Arnold come and run the camp. The athletes enjoyed Dave's coaching style and worked very hard.

Eddie Verification Visit Sept 6th, Twisters - Eddie came to Twisters gym to do a verification for Scott Morgan and at the same time watch a bit of Zachary's training. This was to see Scott's condition for World Championships and to see Zachary before Pan Am Championships.

Pan Am Championships Sept 10-17th, Lima Peru - The team here at this event did well they placed 4th as a team. From BC Zachary Clay won Pommel Horse.

BC Provincial Camp Sept 23rd, Surrey Gym - We had a lot of athletes attend this camp. It was our first provincial camp this season and the athletes and coaches were excited to attend. We worked on the SOS list to get as many of the athletes into the system as possible. The athletes did their best to get as far into the list as possible.

Oct BC Provincial Camp Oct 13th, Langley Gym - The second provincial camp was held at the Langley event center. This was the last time for the season that we were going to work on the SOS list items. After this we would focus on skills training. All the athletes worked hard.

World Championships Oct 16-Nov 4th, Doha Qatar - We had Zachary Clay as part of the Worlds team this year. The team did well except for Pommel Horse where team fell apart. Eddie took it as a learning experienced and refocused the guys on the task at hand. Also Devy Dyson attended the event.

Nov BC Elite Camp Nov 10-12th, Langley Gym - This was the second Elite camp for the season.

Canada Winter Games Trials 1 Nov 11th, Langley Gym - This was the 1st trials for Canada Winter Games. It was held in the Langley gym. We took all the athletes to the next trials.

BC Provincial Camp Nov 17th, Flip City - This camp was held at Langley. There were not a lot of athletes at this camp. There are about 19 athletes and 5 coaches. We went through the events where all the athletes worked on their individual skills. The Club Challenge Cup contest done as well.

Dec Toyota Cup Dec 7-9th, Toyota - Zachary Clay attended this event again this year. He competed on 4 events trying to stabilize routines for the following season.

BC Provincial Camp Dec 22nd, Delta - This camp had a lot more athletes this time with about 28 athletes in attendance and 8 coaches. The Club Challenge Cup contest was done. Everyone did individual skills and later on were able to stay and watch the Canada Winter Games trials.

Canada Winter Games Trials 2 Dec 22nd, Delta - The trials were held at the Delta gym. We had about 16 athletes compete at this event. Everyone competed well and the team was finally selected. The team had athletes from 6 different clubs.

Evan Fedder

Treyson Cerrato

Drew Kanigan

Michael Frew

Ryan Woodhead

Trevor Ma

Alternate: Nicolas Cruz

Manager: Michael Sergeant Coach: Alexander Podzniakov

2019

Jan BC Provincial Camp Jan 19th, Inspire Sports Victoria - This BC provincial camp was held at the new Inspire Sports gym in Victoria. Very few attended the camp (Twisters, Campbell River and Victoria). The camp ran smoothly and the athletes worked well together. Thank you Inspire Sports for hosting.

Canada Winter Games Camp Jan 25-27th, Inspire Sports Victoria - Our Canada Winter Games camp was held in Victoria this year. The athletes with the coaches went through a couple of training sessions with also a mock competition to run through their line-up. It was a good experience for the athletes to be together and to work on the team aspect.

Feb Canada Winter Games Feb 15-21st, Red Deer AB - Team BC placed 5th just behind Saskatchewan. The athletes had a few finals with good performances. Ryan Woodhead won bronze on Pommel Horse. Congratulations to Ryan and the Team.

Langley Invitational Feb 16-17th, Langley Event Center - This was the first competition for many of the athletes and was a good measure for everyone to see where they were at.

Mar Surrey Invitational Mar 2-3rd, Guilford Rec Center - Surrey was 1st trials to National Championships.

UCIC International Comp Mar 12-17th, UofC AB - This year Canada sent a team to compete against USA to this competition. The team did well and was very close to beating the American team. From BC Zachary Clay was on the team.

Baku World Challenge Cup Mar 14th, Azerbaijan - Devy Dyson attended this event. It was a good experience for him and he placed 36th on Pommel Horse, 20th on Rings and 36th on Parallel Bars.

Twisters Invitational Mar 20-24th, Twisters - Twisters Invitational was the 2nd trials for Nationals and Westerns 1st trials. The team for Westerns was selected right after the competition ended.

Doha World Challenge Cup, Doha Qatar - Devy Dyson has been attending world challenge cups to gain experience and attended this event as well. It was a hard competition but he pushed through placing 35th on Pommel Horse, 24th on Rings and 29th on Parallel Bars.

Apr Provincial Championships Apr 13-14th, Port Coquitlam - This was the final trial for Nationals and the team was selected right after the competition ended.

Western Championships Apr 24-28th, Saskatoon SK - This year the team did quite well bringing home 63 medals for Team BC. We won 3 out of the 5 team awards and a couple All Around Golds – Emilio Naidu and Kai Iwaasa

May Delta Invitational May 4-5th, Richmond Oval - Again this event was a fun one for all the athletes involved. It is an event that everyone looks forward to.

National Team Camp May 5-10th, Montreal QC - This camp for preparation for National Championships. Eddie wanted to see the guys before Nationals to ensure their preparedness. It was a short 5 day camp and most of the guys looked ready.

BC Nationals Camp May 11th, Langley Gym

National Championships May 21-27th, Ottawa ON - Nationals was held at the Carlton University again. All the athletes attended this event. It was used as part of trials for the World Championships team.

Oceania Championships May 20th, Melbourne Australia - Devy Dyson did not attend this year's National Championships because he attended the Oceania Championships held at around the same time. His New Zealand team did well placing 2nd at a team and he placed 6th on Floor, 1st on Rings, 5th on High Bar and 10th AA. Well done Devy!

June National Team Training Camp June 10-15th, Montreal QC - This camp was for preparation for many different events – Jr Worlds, Pan Games and FISU Games. The camp ran smoothly and the guys looked good. There was one day for a mock competition and the team came together.

July Elite Canada July 17-20th, Langley Event Center - This year Elite Canada was held at the Langley Event Center. It has been a while since this event has been out in the West. It is the first time this event was held in the summer. The competition ran smoothly. This was use for selection to the World Trials in Aug. We have Zachary Clay attending the trials. Also Devy Dyson did well at this event placing 7th AA and 2nd on Rings in prelims and 7th on Rings.

Elite Camp July 21-23rd, Langley Event Center - GCG ran a camp focused on the Elite 4 athletes right after Elite Canada. Nick Blanton ran the camp and everyone enjoyed the camp.

Pan Am Games July 22-Aug 2nd, Lima Peru - This year the team for Pan Am Games did well placing 3rd. We also had a number of finals. Zachary Clay made Pommel Horse finals but did not have a good routine in finals and placed 6th. Canada had one other Bronze medal in the All Around from Cory Paterson.

Things coming up or currently occurring: Aspire Camp Aug 18-22nd, Montreal QC
World Championships Trials Aug 23-25th, Montreal QC

Other News: New National Team Head Coach Eddie Van Hoof
Changes to the Elite and Provincial Pathways

APPENDIX 4 – Judging Chairman Report - CHRIS SHEREMETA

Courses – We have 8 new Beginner Judges, 4 who have completed all of their training and are judging regularly. We were not able to offer any other courses this year, but the Club Level Online Course is being developed and we should have a Beta version soon. We will also be offering a Provincial and National course in the fall of 2019

Competitions – We had many judges attend National Level competitions this year, with BC sending large contingents to Canada Winter Games, UCIC, Nationals, and Elite Canada. Again nationals was well attended by GBC judges, with Todd Sader, Michael D Hood, Thorstein Fischer, John Carroll, Jeff Thomson, Michael J Hood, and myself judging. Hardy Fink was also there but not judging. It might have been the most BC judges at a Nationals ever!

Local meets we had went better in terms of judges assignments. I had an easier time getting responses and filling the panels. I will continue to send out preliminary panels at the beginning of the season, as well as survey in the fall.

Besides judging at local and national meets, we have had some judges travel to international meets abroad. John Carroll attended Pan Am Games and the World Championships in Doha, Qatar, Michael D Hood and Thorstein Fischer attended the Toyota Cup. Thorstein also judged at the African Games in Morocco and attended the Hungarian World Cup along with myself. Todd Sader attended the Cottbus World Cup in Germany this season.

Other Comments – I like the amount and dedication of our up and coming judges. I hope these judges continue to develop and more judges join the ranks. The judges are competent, knowledgeable, and professional.

At the higher level, we have many FIG and National judges in BC (13) and as such it is difficult to get them assignments to National level competitions as GCG only assigns a limited number from each province. It is also difficult to send them as Provincially funded judges as we have so many to choose from. This year we had one judge attend Nationals as a self-funded judge. I would like to be able to send more of our national and higher judges funded to these in the future, but that may require fundraising on the judges part.

APPENDIX 5 – MAG Coordinator Report – JOHN CARROLL

- The GBC office saw some changes in staffing:
 - Chantelle Judd was replaced as the Office Administrator by **Leanne James**
 - Vanessa Albert was replaced by **Melissa Mungall** as the Communications and Marketing Manager
 - Brian Forrester left as the CEO. This position has not yet been filled, however Andrée Montreuil is working in the position on an interim basis
- My other position as Technical Education Manager has been extremely busy this past year with NCCP courses, training for Coach Developers (LFs and CEs). I feel I have neglected the MAG Coordinator role a little, but hope for improvements in the upcoming season.
- The past season was a very busy one for all involved in MAG gymnastics. The competition started early with trials to the Canada Winter Games in November and Elite Canada ended the season, 9 months later, in July. 2019 also marked the first quadrennial that we did not have the Western Canada Summer Games to take part in.
- BC saw many successes at competitions. Canadians and Westerns were highlighted by many good performances and outcomes for BC athletes. Of special note the National Open Team placed 2nd at Canadians, with Treyson Cerrato (SGS) winning the All Around. We felt we had a competitive team for the Canada Games, but with the loss of Darren Wong (unable to leave university) and Chris Kaji (move to Ontario) we were left with a group of fairly inexperienced athletes (No seniors, two juniors and National Opens)
- Our Provincial and Elite Training Camps were successful, however smaller than in previous seasons. Only two Elite Camps were run because of a calendar conflict with Elite Canada.
- Out BC judges have had quite a few National and International assignments. BC has many strong FIG judges, making it tough for the newer ones to get assignments. It has been great that the MTC budget has been able to help them self-fund to some good events.