

Bylaw Proposals for the MSA AGM 2010

Group A

PROPOSAL #1

Current:

5.2 Notice – Written notice of General Meetings shall be given to all Members at least twenty-one (21) days prior to the date of the meeting.

Proposal:

5.2 Notice – Written notice of General Meetings of the Members shall be given to all Members at least fourteen (14) days prior to the date of the meeting.

PROPOSAL #2

Current:

4.11 The VP of Development shall implement and initiate ways to increase speed skating awareness throughout the province of Manitoba

Proposal:

Delete

(Responsibilities will become part of the job description of the Executive Director)

PROPOSAL #3

Current:

4.11 g) The VP of Coaching shall oversee the development and organizational structure of provincial coaches and the provincial program

Proposal:

4.11 g) The VP of Coaching shall oversee the development and organizational structure of club coaches.

PROPOSAL #4

Current:

10.1 Ratification by Members – These Bylaws are ratified by a Special Resolution of the Members on May 18, 2006.

Proposal:

10.1 Ratification by Members – These Bylaws are ratified by a Special Resolution of the Members on April 24, 2010.

Group B

PROPOSAL #5

Current:

This is a new position

Proposal:

4.11 i) The President Elect shall assist the President in general supervision of MSSA, prepare a slate of candidates for election to the Board (alternating with the Past President) and perform such duties as may be needed from time to time as established by the Board.

PROPOSAL #6

Current:

4.1 Officers – The Officers of the MSSA are the President, Past President, Secretary, VP of Finance, VP of Coaching, VP of Advanced Programs, VP of Competitions, VP of Officials, VP of Development, and the Executive Director.

Proposal:

4.1 Directors – The Board of Directors shall consist of the President, Past President (one year term), President Elect (one year term), Secretary, VP of Finance, VP of Coaching, VP of Advanced Programs, VP of Competitions, VP of Officials and the Executive Director.

PROPOSAL #7

Current:

4.11 The Past President shall perform such duties as may from time to time be established by the Board.

Proposal:

4.11 h) The Past President shall prepare a slate of candidates for election to the Board (alternating with the President Elect), and perform such duties as may be needed from time to time to be established by the Board.

PROPOSAL #8

Current:

4.10 Length of Term – Each officer shall be elected for a two-year term and an officer shall serve no more than two consecutive two-year terms in the same position. The President, Secretary, VP of Advanced Programs, and the VP of Development shall be elected in odd numbered years and the VP of Finance, VP of Officials, VP of Competitions, and VP of Coaching shall be elected in even numbered years.

Proposal:

4.10 Length of Term – Each Director shall be elected for a two year term and a Director shall serve no more than two consecutive two-year terms in the same position. The President, Secretary, and VP of Advanced Programs shall be elected in odd numbered years and the VP of

Finance, VP of Officials, VP of Competitions, President Elect and VP of Coaching shall be elected in even numbered years.

PROPOSAL #9

Current:

Chair – If the President is absent from the meeting, in his absence a Vice President requested by the President to act as chair, failing whom the Secretary, shall be the Chair of any meetings of the Board. If no such officer is present at any meeting of the Board, the Directors present shall choose one of their members in attendance to act as chair of such meeting.

Proposal:

4.18 Chair – The President shall normally chair all Board meetings. Should the President be absent, however, the chair shall pass first to the Director designated by the President. Alternatively, if the chair has not been so delegated, the Directors present shall choose one of their members in attendance to act as chair of such meeting.

Group C

PROPOSAL #11

Current:

2.5 Voting Rights of Members

Members shall have the following voting rights at all Meetings of Members:

- a) Member Clubs shall appoint three representatives who may attend and participate at meetings of Members and each representative shall have one vote;
- b) Individual Members may attend and participate at meetings of Members but may not vote.

Proposal:

2.5 Voting Rights of Members

Members shall have the following voting rights:

- a) Each member club in **good standing** shall be entitled to appoint voting delegates to the Annual or all Special Meetings of the Members based on the number of ordinary members as of March 31st of that year as per the following:

Members	Delegates
1-10	One (1)
11-30	Two (2)
31 or more	Three (3)

- b) MSSA Directors shall not be permitted to be a voting delegate for any of the member clubs.

- c) The member delegates who are appointed by their club to attend the meeting are to be named by the club at least fourteen (14) days prior to the Meetings of the Members.
- d) Individual Members may attend and participate at Meetings of Members but may not vote.

PROPOSAL #12

Current:

2.10 Arrears – Any member who fails to make payment of the annual fees on or before December 1st of each year, may be suspended and if it is a member club all of the individual members attached to that club shall be suspended.

Proposal:

2.10 Arrears –any member, who fails to make payment of their annual fees on or before December 31st of each year, may be suspended and if it is a member club who fails to pay their fees, all of the individual members attached to that club may be suspended. All suspensions must be reviewed and approved by the board before being enacted.

PROPOSAL #13

Current:

Election and Appointment of Directors

Directors shall be elected or appointed as follows:

- a) With the exception of the Past President who shall become a Director automatically, Directors shall be elected by the Members at the Annual General Meeting.

Proposal:

4.9 Directors shall be elected or appointed as follows:

- a. Election of Directors - With the exception of the Past President, who shall become a Director automatically, Directors, shall be elected by the Members at the Annual General Meeting, with the nominee for each position receiving the largest number of votes cast declared elected. In the event of a tie vote, there shall be a second ballot to resolve the tie and if after a second ballot a tie remains, such a tie shall be resolved by drawing lots.
- b. Any person wishing to hold a Director position on the MSSA Board will not hold an executive position with their affiliated club, but may represent their affiliated club at board meetings.

PROPOSAL #14

Current:

This is a new bylaw

Proposal:

4.30 Presidents Meetings - The President of MSSA will meet with the Club presidents at least two (2) times per season, and other meetings may be called and agreed to by both the Club presidents and the President of MSSA. These meetings will ordinarily be for sharing or updating of information of interest to both parties. Strategic planning meetings may also take place yearly (but are not required), generally to plan for the upcoming season.