



# ACA Annual General Meeting

October 9, 2016

Days Inn Calgary South

Meeting called to order at 3:55 PM by the ACA President Vlad Rekhson (VR).

In attendance: Treasurer Ali Razzaq, Executive Director Vladimir Pechenkin (VP), General Directors Dale Haessel, Jim Daniluk and Jina Burn who attends the meeting over Skype. Also in attendance: William Wensley, Georgi Kostadinov, Ian Findlay, Arthur Milne, Omid Malek, Dustin Rogers, Daniel Kazmaier, Brad Booker, Paul Viminitz, Arthur Coates, Paul Usselman and Yilong Qin.

VR opens the meeting with his President's address, emphasizing the need for more volunteers involved in various ACA programs.

The minutes of the 2015 Annual General Meeting are read and approved unanimously.

The financial statement for 2015 is presented. VP gives a brief overview of the statement highlighting Alberta Invitational norm tournaments held in October - November, 2015. The next ACA Casino is slotted for the second quarter of 2017.

Ian moves to approve the financial statement, Jim seconds. 12 in favor with the rest abstaining. The membership then discusses various ways to use extra money on the ACA accounts to organize big tournaments. The need for volunteers is once again emphasized.

**Bylaws amendment.** In order to comply with the Government of Alberta requirements, the ACA must include the following two policies in the bylaws: *Conflict of Interest* and *Dispute Resolution and Appeals*. Both policies were developed by the ACA Bylaws Amendment Committee and approved by the ACA Board. VR and Dale present an overview of the policies.

Omid makes a motion to amend the bylaws, Ian seconds - unanimous. The bylaws are amended.

**New Tournament Director (TD) fee structure.** The ACA currently pays TDs an honorarium of \$35/day. It is proposed to increase this figure to \$50/day. In addition, if a TD broadcasts online at least 3 games per round, the honorarium is \$75/day.

Ian moves to approve the new TD fee structure, Daniel seconds. 11 in favor with the rest abstaining.

**Election of officers.** VR explains who is up for elections and describes the positions available.

VP nominates Jim as the Vice-President, Ian seconds. Jim accepts the nomination and becomes the new Vice-President by acclamation.

Jim nominates Giridhar Koneru as the Secretary, Dale seconds. Giridhar is not present but agreed to run for the same position prior to the meeting.

VR nominates Ian as the Secretary, Paul Usselman seconds. Nomination is accepted. Ian wins the election and becomes the new Secretary. Giridhar will therefore run for a position of a General Director. Four such positions are now vacant, all of them are for a period of two years.

Dale nominates Terry Seehagen, Ali seconds. Terry is not present but expressed his desire to run before the meeting.

Jim nominates Giridhar Koneru, Omid seconds.

VR nominates Jina, Ian seconds. Jina accepts the nomination.

Jim nominates Georgi - nomination is declined with a vigorous headshake.

VR nominates Omid - nomination is declined.

VR nominates Brad, Omid seconds - nomination is accepted.

VR nominates William Wensley, Daniel seconds - accepted.

VR nominates Daniel and Dustin but both nominations are declined.

The ballots are cast, and the new Secretary Ian Findlay counts the votes. As a result, Terry Seehagen and Jina Burn are re-elected as General Directors, Giridhar Koneru and Brad Booker assume the other two Director positions.

The meeting is adjourned at 4:58 PM.

## **ACA Balance Sheet**

### **Assets as of December 31, 2015**

Cash - Operating Account	\$	45,983.83
Cash - Casino Account	\$	100,308.18
Savings Account - Operating Account	\$	52,470.68
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>198,762.69</b>

**Liabilities as of December 31, 2015**      \$                      -