MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE QUÉBEC GOLF FEDERATION
HELD ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2013, AT 11 AM
AT THE HÔTEL UNIVERSEL MONTRÉAL

Present

2012 and 2013 Board of Directors: Marc Tremblay (President), Marcel Paul Raymond (Vice-President), Robert Bissonnette (Secretary-Treasurer), Nancy Spineti Delle Donne, Marie-France Morand, François Gagnon, Eve Gaudet, Martin Ducharme, Daniel Langevin, Rémi Bouchard, Jacques Bédard, Danielle Berthold.


Other non-voting guests: Jocelyne Bourassa (LPGA), Daniel Tanguay, Josée Gravel, Katherine Gravel-Coursol, Jean Trudeau (PGA), Richard Barbeau (Canadian Cancer Society), Joanne Lévesque, Nicole Lauzier (Québec Breast Cancer Foundation), Martine Laparé (PGA), Daniel Cousse (PGA).

Employees

Jean-Pierre Beaulieu, Patrice Clément, Michèle Raymond, Dominic Gravel, Éric Couture, Diane Bruneau, François Roy, Guylaine Sirois, Gladys Iodio, Maureen Darcelin.

Opening word

The President, Marc Tremblay, welcomes everyone. Before beginning the meeting, he calls for a moment of silence in memory of:

- Chris Gribbin, first Executive Director of the QGA
- Richard Labonté, President of the PGA of Québec

The Secretary will read the Notice of meeting

The Notice of meeting was mailed out on January 18, 2013, to all member-clubs. The Secretary-Treasurer asks if it can be approved as published without having to read it completely.

On a proposal made by Danielle Berthold (Milby), seconded by Rolland Côté (Revermont), the Notice of meeting is unanimously adopted.
The Secretary will confirm the quorum

By-law 2.10 QUORUM
2.10.1 The presence of fifteen (15) delegates of Club-Members is required to constitute a quorum at any annual or special general meeting.

The Secretary-Treasurer confirms that the by-laws are respected. 30 Club Delegates are in attendance and the meeting is duly constituted.

Presentation of guests

Marc Tremblay reads an e-mail sent by Diane Dunlop-Hébert, President of Golf Canada, who could not join us for our Annual General Meeting. Then, he introduced our special guests of the day.

Golfers of the Year: Hugo Bernard (junior), Valérie Tanguay (junior).

Nancy Walker Sportsmanship Award: Katherine Gravel-Coursol.

Golf Fore the Cure: Richard Barbeau, representative of the Canadian Cancer Society, and Nicole Lauzier, ambassador of the Québec Breast Cancer Foundation.

Industry representatives: Ève Gaudet – ATGQ President, Martin Ducharme - ATGQ, Jean Trudeau - PGA of Québec, Daniel Langevin - PGA of Québec, Martine Laparé - PGA of Québec, Rémi Bouchard - Golf Canada and PGA of Québec, Jocelyne Bourassa - LPGA.


Approval of the agenda

On a proposal made by Diane Mac Kay (Ile de Montréal), seconded by Sylvain Gravel (Chicoutimi), the agenda is unanimously adopted.

Approval of the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on February 12, 2012

The minutes were published on January 18, 2013, and made available for download on our website. Marc Tremblay asks if we can approve them as published without having to read them completely.

On a proposal made by Patrick Loiselle (Belvédère), seconded by Serge Rocheleau (Noranda), the minutes are unanimously adopted.

Presentation and approval of the financial statements as of November 30, 2012

The report was published on January 18, 2013, and made available for download on our website. A printed copy was also distributed to all participants upon their arrival at the Annual General Meeting.

The Secretary-Treasurer, Robert Bissonnette, explains that a Finance Committee was formed to review and oversee the financial performance of the Federation. The committee members are: Marie-France Morand, Nancy Spineti Delle Donne, Marcel Paul Raymond and Robert Bissonnette. The Committee has diligently reviewed the financial administration of the Federation on a regular basis and we are satisfied with its financial results in 2011-12.

For the year ending November 30th, 2012, the Federation had total revenues of $2,172,787, which is $14,893 less from the preceding year mainly due to an 8% reduction in membership fees. Also,
the Federation had total expenses of $2,179,971, a nominal increase of $9,573 from 2011 that netted a loss of $7,184.

The Secretary-Treasurer thanks our Executive Director, Jean-Pierre Beaulieu, and his staff for the support and guidance.

On a proposal made by Martin Ducharme, St-Césaire, seconded by Ève Gaudet, Montcalm, the financial statements are unanimously approved.

Marc Tremblay invites all participants to take time to read the Annual Report in which our 2012 achievements are well explained. It also explains that our expenses are based on the four pillars of sport development: introduction, recreation, competition and, excellence. Our volunteers and employees are managing our budget in a very responsible manner and we are quite satisfied with our results.

**Appointment of the Federation’s Auditors, Petrie Raymond**

The Secretary-Treasurer, Bob Bissonnette, asks if the candidacy of Petrie Raymond is accepted as Auditors for the 2013 fiscal year. On a proposal made by Marie-France Morand (Ste-Flore), seconded by Rolland Côté (Revermont), the appointment of Petrie Raymond is unanimously approved.

**Approve and confirm the Acts and Proceedings of the Board of Directors since the last Annual General Meeting**

Marc Tremblay explains that, within our strategic planning initiative, we invited representatives of the golf industry to form an Issue Table. This taskforce started working together in 2012. In 2013, it was mandated to review the current situation of the golf industry, analyze it, and recommend solutions that would enable us to improve our common future.

On a proposal made by Raymonde Michaud (Rivière-du-Loup), seconded by Diane E. Drury (Royal Montreal), the Acts and Proceedings of the Board of Directors are unanimously approved.

**Nominating Committee report**

Robert Bissonnette confirms that the report was mailed out to all member-clubs on January 18, 2013. It was also made available for download on our website. In brief, the Board of Directors of the Québec Golf Federation is composed as follows:

(Category 3.1.2(a) – six adult members in good standing with a member-club or members in one of our programs)

- Marc Tremblay – President
- Marcel Paul Raymond – Vice-President
- Robert Bissonnette – Secretary-Treasurer
- Marie-France Morand
- Nancy Spineti Delle Donne
- François Gagnon

(Category 3.1.2(b) – two directors representing regional associations)

- Jacques Bédard, Chairman of the Regional Association Council
- Danielle Berthold
(Category 3.1.2(c) - two directors representing the Association des terrains de golf du Québec)
- Ève Gaudet, President of the ATGQ
- Martin Ducharme

(Category 3.1.2(d) - two directors representing the PGA of Québec)
- Daniel Langevin
- Rémi Bouchard

They are nominated for a period of one (1) year, except for the following members who are mandated for duration of two (2) years: Marie-France Morand, Nancy Spineti Delle Donne, François Gagnon.

In addition, we are nominating the following members on the Nominating Committee for 2014:
- Marc de Bellefeuille, ex-officio of the Québec Golf Association
- Charlie Beaulieu, ex-officio of the Fédération québécoise de golf
- Marie Léveillé, past Director of the Québec Golf Association
- Pierre Deslandes, member of the Association des terrains de golf du Québec
- Éric Lamarre, member of the Québec Professional Golfers’ Association

On a proposal made by Denis Loiselle (St-Anicet), seconded by Diane Mac Kay (Île de Montréal), the report is unanimously adopted as published.

Presentation of the new Board of Directors

Marc Tremblay briefly introduces the three new members of the Board of Directors: François Gagnon, Jacques Bédard, and Rémi Bouchard.

Appointment of signing officers

President Marc Tremblay
Vice-President Marcel Paul Raymond
Secretary-Treasurer Robert Bissonnette
Executive Director Jean-Pierre Beaulieu

On a proposal made by Danielle Berthold (Milby), seconded by Rolland Côté (Revermont), the appointment of the signing officers is approved.

Presentation to outgoing Directors

Marc Tremblay thanks all the 2012 Board of Directors’ members who accepted to pursue their mandates in 2013. Three volunteers have completed their mandates. They are Denis Morel, Éric Laporte, and Sylvain Tremblay (they could not attend the Annual General Meeting).

Special presentations

Volunteer of the Year

As part of our Volunteer Recognition program, Marc Tremblay introduces Sylvain Gravel, President of the Saguenay/Lac St-Jean/Chibougamau Regional Association who is accepting the Volunteer of the Year plaque on behalf of Cathy Fortin (she could not attend the Annual General Meeting).

Information on Cathy Fortin:
In 2012, Golf Québec would like to highlight the exceptional contribution of Cathy Fortin who coordinated and led the organizing committee of the Women’s Provincial Championship held from...
July 9 to 11 at the Club de golf de Chicoutimi. Supported by 60 volunteers, she contributed to the success of this event which was greatly appreciated by amateur and senior golfers as well as by the regional community. Everything went well from the schedule and transportation to services rendered to golfers and official dinner. As owner of Au chef Extra, a catering service in Chicoutimi, she contributed to the successful dinner-cocktail and food services that led to raising funds to improve the Chicoutimi golf course.

**Golf Fore the Cure**

Representatives of the Québec Breast Cancer Foundation and Canadian Cancer Society were invited. We are presenting them with large cheques (for picture purposes).

Nicole Lauzier Québec Breast Cancer Foundation $48,339.00
Richard Barbeau Canadian Cancer Society $36,778.20

Total collected by our member-clubs
In the 2012 Golf Fore the Cure program $85,117.20

**Nancy Walker Sportsmanship Award**

Since 2004, the Nancy Walker Sportsmanship Award is presented to strive upon the importance of respecting fellow competitors, tournament officials, and the game of golf. The award was named for Nancy Walker, who had a tremendous impact on the Association in the many roles and functions she accomplished while at the CLGA – Québec Branch. Recipients of the junior, amateur, and senior awards are voted by their fellow competitors in our tournaments.

This year, Katherine Gravel-Coursol of Le Blainvillier is presented with the Junior Nancy Walker Sportsmanship Award. She is also presented with a Golf Canada trophy for her 5th place on the National Junior Order of Merit.

**Golfers of the Year**

Jean-Pierre Beaulieu introduces our golfers of the year in each category. He explains their 2012 achievements:

**Women**
- Josée Doyon, Beauceville (amateur)
- Teri De Luis, Brockville (senior)
- Valérie Tanguay, La Providence (junior)

**Men**
- Charles Côté, Royal Québec (amateur)
- Graham Cooke, Summerlea (senior)
- Hugo Bernard, Vallée du Richelieu (junior)

Our two junior golfers of the year are attending the Annual General Meeting. Jean-Pierre Beaulieu is presenting them with their trophies. At the same time, Valérie Tanguay is receiving a Golf Canada trophy for her 9th place on the National Junior Order of Merit and Hugo Bernard a Golf Canada trophy for his 2nd place on the National Junior Order of Merit.

**Golf Canada Reports**

Rémi Bouchard, Golf Canada Regional Director for membership development in Québec and Brunswick, congratulates all the recipients of the National Junior Order of Merit. He highlights Valérie Tanguay and Hugo Bernard are members of Team Canada in 2013. Everything is possible
for them. They are obviously good golf players, but above all, they are very good people who care for others and this is one of Golf Canada’s main objectives.

Other business

There is no other item to be discussed.

Termination

Marc Tremblay thanks all the volunteers for their constant contribution. He highlights the great collaboration established between stakeholders of the industry and thanks the Golf Québec employees for their great work.

On a proposal made by Diane E. Drury (Royal Montreal), seconded by Rolland Côté (Revermont), the meeting is unanimously terminated.

SIGNATURES

Marc Tremblay, President                       Robert Bissonnette, Secretary-Treasurer