

# Canadian Powerlifting Union

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## Official Agenda

### Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Powerlifting Union Sunday March 24, 2002 – Yarmouth, NS

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#### **Roll Call**

Mike Armstrong, President	Brock Haywood, Exec. VP	Paul Gidney, NS
Sean Brown, ON	Tom Nicholls PEI	Marc Filiba, MB
Jeff Butt, SK	Jimmy Hall, AB	Bill Jamison, ON
Ralph Payne, NF	John Fraser, NS	Louis Levesque, QU
Janet Warne, QU	Kim Dennis, BC	Ron Delaney, NB
Lynton Lam, ON		

#### **President's Address**

Read verbally by Mike Armstrong

#### **Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting**

Distributed prior to meeting ON/NS Passed

#### **Treasurer's Report\***

Financial Report distributed and examined by all NS/QE Passed

#### **REPORTS FROM CPU OFFICERS\***

##### **Referee Chairman:**

Bill Jamison would like to see more Provincial referees upgrade to national level

##### **Registration Chairman**

Dave Hoffman not present, report handed out.

##### **Public Relations Chairman**

Garry Holman not present at meeting wishes to resign. NS/QU Passed

#### **REPORTS FROM AFFILIATED PROVINCES\***

Written reports distributed to be read at own leisure NS/QU Passed

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

#### **ELECTIONS:**

President	Jeff Butt
Executive Vice President	Brock Haywood
Treasurer	(Undecided)
Secretary	Kim Dennis
Officiating Chairman	Bill Jamison
Records Chairman	Dave Hoffman
Registration Chairman	Dave Hoffman
Director of Public Relations: (Platform & Website)	Mike Armstrong

## **NEW BUSINESS –**

### **1. Re General Provisions**

**CPU Passed**

Respecting that there may be other powerlifting organizations within Canada, any reference to “Powerlifting” within this document shall be understood to include only CPU governed powerlifting.

### **2. Re: Bylaw #4 – Competitions**

**CPU Failed**

#### **4:02**

Delete

Reason:

Deals with combining age groups at National Bench Championships for team selection. This is dealt with in the provision below. (National Team selection)

#### **4:04**

When contest groupings make it such that a lifter could be eligible for two separate age categories, ie. Junior and Open, or Master and Open, and all age groups lift in the same session according to their own weight class, their results may be transferred to a second age group. Such intention must be indicated **PRIOR** to the contest, and an additional fee may be required, at the Meet Directors discretion

If the different age groups for any weight class do not lift in the same session, any lifter wishing to have a total in each category must actually lift in each category. Transferring of results is not allowed in this case.

At National Championships, nomination lifts must be posted that clearly indicate the names of all lifters in each class and category, so that all may know which lifters will be counted in two categories.

#### **Reason:**

This will give any lifter the chance to choose which world event they will attend. Some Junior and Master lifters have reported that they prefer lift in the Open class nationally, where the competition level is higher, but they would then not be allowed to attend their age group’s world meet, possibly reducing Canada’s medal potential. When the age groups are combined by weight class, no advantage can be taken by transferring of results.

### **3. Re Bylaw 9 National Team Selections**

**CPU Passed**

Delete Bylaws 9:02 to 9:07 and replace with the following:

#### **9:02**

The CPU shall select Men’s and Women’s select teams to represent Canada at all IPF International competitions. Currently these include Sub-Junior (14-18), Junior (14-23), Open (any age), Master I (40-49), Master II (50-59 or 50+ for Women), Master III (60+, men only). Also for the Single Lift Bench Press championships, in Open, Master (age groups as listed previously). Any additional category of competition that

may be added by the IPF or a regional federation at a latter date shall be deemed to be automatically included in the above.

**9:03**

For all age categories, lifters must participate at the National championships for their category

**9:04**

The class winners shall be given first priority as a team member, followed by second place then third, with a maximum of two per weight class, and eleven male or ten female in total. When necessary, subsequent places after the class winners will be determined by Wilks formula from the results of the National competition.

**9:05**

For categories that are contested by the CPU, but not by the IPF, eg. – Junior Bench Press, any such category shall be combined with the Open lifters to decide team selections without indication or fees being required.

**9:06**

For categories that are contested by the OPF, but not the CPU, selection shall be made from the lifters of the appropriate ages in the next highest levels of the national championships

**Reason:**

- a) The current bylaws list each world championship individually, which is repetitive, and do not include some of the newer world events.
- b) The current bylaws were written when the CPU national contests were all held separately, and lifters could easily participate in more than one. With the current trend of having one all encompassing contest, lifters have been forced to choose one category.

This major rewrite of bylaws 4 and 9 will give no advantage to one lifter over another by transferring results, yet will allow us to select our best lifters for each national team, while allowing those lifters to participate in the competition level(s) where they will have the best competitive experience.

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| 4. <b>Re Bylaw 9:11(b) - National team selection</b> | <b>President</b> | <b>Passed</b> |
| <u>Delete bylaw</u>                                  |                  |               |

**Reason:**

Deals with the requirement of \$100 Bond for national team members. This bylaw is very difficult to work with, often leading to problems in collecting the bond, refunds and currency exchange, and so on, and has not been observed for the past few years, without problems. It is simply not worth the time and hassle to administer this to the numerous honest team members, for the sake of the once-in-ten-years lifters who may create a problem for us.

**5. Re Article V: Executive Council and Officers**

**PEI Not Approved**

#3 of Constitution Presently reads as:

“At national meetings and in other circumstances requiring a vote, voting shall be limited to the members of the executive council. The chairman, normally the CPU President, shall vote only in the event of a tie.”

Propose to Replace with...

“At national meetings and in other circumstance requiring a vote, voting shall be limited to only the Vice President’s (Provincial Presidents). The chairman normally the CPU President, shall vote only in the event of a tie.”

**Reason:**

The CPU Provincial Presidents operate the CPU at the regional levels or ground levels. The executive council in turn are elected to office by the Provincial Presidents to carry out the functions of their elected position. Therefore, these elected officials subsequently should not have voting rights on matters concerning the operation of the CPU.

**6. Bylaw 3:07 (Records, Awards and Classification)**

**PEI Approved**

Presently reads as:

“The CPU shall maintain Male and Female Athlete-of-the-Year Awards, in recognition of excellence and achievement in Powerlifting.”

Propose to replace with:

“The CPU shall maintain Male and Female Athlete-of-the-Year Awards, in recognition of excellence and achievement in either the three-lift powerlifting competition or the single lift Bench Press competition.”

Reason: Both are now considered as separate events with medals for both, so both should be recognized for Athlete-of-the-Year awards.

**7. Re: 2:09: Finance**

**PEI Amended and approved**

Proposal to add as a new category:

“Any representative of a Provincial Association who can bring a National Corporate sponsor to the CPU shall be able to forward 25% if the sponsorship fee to their provincial federation. The remaining 75% will go to the CPU and shall be used for such purposes as are decided by the CPU.”

## **OTHER PROPOSALS DISCUSSED**

- 1. Addition of Sub Junior Age Category** **ON/SK** **Passed**  
“The age category of Sub-Junior (ages 14-18) shall be contested at the National Championships. Placings will be based on Wilks formula results for Men and Women.”
- 2. Qualifying Standards for Sub Juniors** **PEI/NS** **Passed**  
“Qualifying standards for Sub Junior National Championships will be a total at a recognized CPU event.
- 3. Establishment of Sub Junior National Records** **MB/SK** **Passed**  
“At the 2003 National Championships, Sub Junior national records will be set, and in the following years, regular record setting will take place.
- 4. Qualifying Standards for National Championships** **Not Passed**  
“The qualifying standard for Men’s Open at national championships be dropped to a C Class II standard.”
- 5. CPU AGM** **NS/SK** **Passed**  
“Each year, the CPU AGM will be held on the Thursday afternoon at 3:00 o’clock P.M. of the Nationals weekend.”
- 6. Qualifying Standards for World Championships** **President/SK** **Passed**  
“For any IPF Championships where the applicable National Championships are less than 6 weeks prior to the World Championships, the National event results from the year previous will be used as the qualifying standard.”
- 7. Appointment of National Technical Secretary** **ON/President** **Passed**  
“The Province holding nationals should include in their bid a referee, who is national level or higher, to be the Technical Secretary who is required to do the paperwork (including flights, score sheets, etc.).
- 8. Bid For 2002 IPF Junior or Master’s Worlds’** **SK/MB** **Passed**  
“If either of the 2002 IPF Junior or Master World Championships should happen to not uphold their bid, Saskatchewan, with Jeff Butt as Meet Director, will put a bid in to host one of these events.”
- 9. Bill Jamison Award** **ON/NL** **Passed**  
“That the Bill Jamison Award not necessarily be an annual award, and recipients can only receive the award one time. The decision for the recipient shall be a two-thirds majority vote.”

## **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION – CPU ANNUAL AWARDS**

A number of names were put forward for each award and were discussed after voting, the winners were:

Female Athlete of the Year	Irene King
Male Athlete of the Year	Gynn Moore
Bill Jamison Award	Dave Hoffman

**AFFILIATIONS OF NEW MEMBER PROVINCES**

None

**DELINQUENT PROVINCES**

Testing bills currently outstanding from Newfoundland

**FUTURE CHAMPIONSHIP BIDS**

Bids were received from Ontario, for Kitchener, by Sean Brown and from Manitoba, for Winnipeg, by Marc Filiba. After vote, nationals will be held in Winnipeg for 2003

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn at 6:30 p.m.

NS/BC

Passed