

# Canadian Powerlifting Union

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## Official Agenda

### Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Powerlifting Union Thursday March 18, 2004 - Kitchener ON

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#### 1) ROLLCALL

Jeff Butt, President	Jamie Dougall, BC	Paul Gidney, NS
Ryan Fowler, SK	Tom Nicholls, PEI	Darren Weatherbie, P
Dave Hoffman, ON	Kim Dennis, BC	Bill Jamison, ON
Ryun Laniec, BC	Denis Chasse, PQ	Louis Levesque, PQ
Jimmy Hall, AB		

#### Call to Order

3: 09 pm

#### 2) PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Read verbally by Jeff Butt

#### 3) MINUTES OF THE LAST AGM

Distributed prior to meeting **BC/ON** **Passed**

Amendment to "Mandatory IPF Drug Testing" proposal from last year as the IPF has put this on hold, so will the CPU.

#### 4) TREASURER'S REPORT

Financial Report distributed and examined by all **PQ/BC** **Passed**

Jeff to check into which three provinces have not paid their affiliation fees for 2003 as reflected on the Auditor's Report, or if the provinces' fees are being included in the drug testing fees, and the monies are not being shown in the correct places.

We will also try to find a different accountant to do the Auditor's Report, and Master lifter, Laurie Greenidge, may be an option.

#### 5) REPORTS FROM CPU OFFICERS

##### a. Referee Chairman:

Bill Jamison **NS/BC** **Passed**

Questions were raised about whether CPU referees who are not active as lifters and refs in our Federation should be removed from our list of referees. It was decided that they should be removed.

**ON/PE** **Passed**

##### b. Records and Registration Chairman

Dave Hoffman **PQ/AB** **Passed**

Discussion ensued regarding recruitment of high school lifter, and different ways to encourage new younger, participants in our sport.

##### c. Public Relations Chairman

**PEI/AB** **Passed**

Mike Armstrong was not present, but his report was distributed prior to the meeting.

It was discussed the Provincial Presidents need to ensure that their meet directors are sending results, and upcoming events into the Web Master to keep our web page up to date. Further discussion was held regarding sending our results and calendar of events into Powerlifting USA and International Powerlifter. Discussion about the CPU President's Page being updated more often. Jeff will now update this at least three times a year with a note as to when the next update will be posted. Jeff has

confirmed that Dave Hoffman has already won the Bill Jamison award, and he is ineligible to win this award again due to our rule in the constitution that a person cannot win the award more than once.

## 6) REPORTS OF STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES

### a. Presentation on sponsorship and role of the Public Relations Officer

Read by Tom Nicholls, Committee member

A vote was held to accept Proposal A from the sponsorship report.

**PEI/no seconder** **Failed**

A vote was held to accept Proposal B, and the committee will continue to move this proposal forward.

**BC/NS** **Passed**

### b. Presentation on Sponsorship

Mr. Tony Fiorentino came and spoke on the CCES (Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport). Tony covered who the CCES is, what services they offer, their pricing, and how the CCES could benefit the CPU.

Discussion afterwards regarding the high cost of involvement with the CCES. Agreement that the CPU is not in a financial position to work with them right now, but we will keep informed to see where the IPF is going with this issue.

## 7) REPORTS FROM AFFILIATED PROVINCES

Written reports distributed to be read at own leisure. Accepted as presented.

**NS/PEI** **Passed**

## 8) OLD BUSINESS

None

## 9) NEW BUSINESS

### A. Bylaw 2.01 CPU Subscription Fees

- ❖ **Item d)** Currently Reads... "Sanction Fees for National Championships \$75"
- ❖ **Proposal...**"Sanction Fees for Canadian Powerlifting and Bench Press Championships is \$500"
- ❖ **Reason:** Meet Directors are making money hosting contests, increasing this fee would help bring revenue to the CPU without costing the athletes.

**NS/PEI** **Passed**

### B. Add as a NEW item to the above as item

- ❖ **Item h)...Proposal:** "A bidding fee for World Championships be introduced."
- ❖ **Reason:** As above

**PEI/NS** **Passed**

- ❖ **Amendment:** "The bidding fee for World Championships is \$1000"

**PQ/NS** **Passed**

### C. Records, Awards and Classifications

- ❖ **Proposal** to Add as 3:10... Following the completion of any contest held in by a member province, the Provincial President must notify the CPU President, the CPU Records Chairperson, and CPU Webmaster within seven (7) days with meet results, and of any new Canadian records set at the contest. Failure to do so will result in a \$250 fine to the offending province, payable to the CPU at the next AGM.
- ❖ **Reason:** To ensure that the necessary information be passed on quickly.

**PEI/NS** **Passed**

- ❖ **Proposal** to Add as 3:11...The Records shall now include a section on the CPU website called "Records Pending Drug Tests". These records will then be transferred to the updated list of CPU Records upon completion of drug test results. This will keep the

CPU records up to date and keep all lifters informed of records broken in recent contests in other provinces.

**AB/PEI Passed**

**D. Add as a NEW item...**

- ❖ Develop an athlete's fund to go to IPF Worlds.
- ❖ Suggestion that this be looked at in 2005.

**E. Question regarding Article XVII Item 2 etc**

- ❖ That Provincial Presidents are required to send the minutes from their AGM's to the National Secretary. Is this supposed to be happening because I have not received any Provincial AGM minutes for the last two years? Or should this wording be changed as the minutes are going to the CPU President?
- ❖ **Amendment** "Provincial Presidents, from incorporated provinces, are required to send the minutes from their AGM's to the National President."

**BC/AB Passed**

**F. Add to Article XVII Item 3**

- ❖ **That...** Provincial Presidents send, by mail or email, their Provincial report to the CPU President and Secretary, two weeks in advance of the CPU AGM at Nationals
- ❖ **Reason:** So the reports have been previewed by the President, and are certain to be available for the AGM in a typed format.

**BC/ON Passed**

**G. Modification to Bylaw 9:10**

- ❖ **Change** the wording from "A standard agreement will be developed by the CPU President and Secretary, so that athletes attending World Championships are made aware of the Bylaws applicable to attending such an event prior to their acceptance on to the team (ex. Bylaws 9:10 and 9:12)."
- ❖ **Reason:** To ensure team members representing our country and organization know what is expected of them and are representing us in the best possible way.

**BC/AB Passed**

**H. Modification to Article XIX National Records**

- ❖ **Change** the wording to state: "A standard CPU Record Application form must be submitted to the National Records Chairman for any sanctioned competition, other than the National Championships, no later than 60 days from the date of completion. Records set at the National Championships will be accepted without formal application."
- ❖ **Reason:** At National Championships, we know that the correct referees drug testing, etc were in place when the records are set, and a lifter should not lose their right to their record for not sending in the form.

**AB/no seconder Failed**

**I. Addition to Section 3 as 3:10**

- ❖ **Re-instate** Provincial standings at Nationals
- ❖ **Reason:** One Province has been asked their National ranking from Nationals last year in an application form for funding. They are not requesting that an award be presented, or that the placings are announced, just that they are calculated.
- ❖ **Amendment** "That Provincial standings be calculated, only for the purpose of rankings, not for awards in the following categories: Open, Masters, Juniors and Bench."

**PQ/BC Passed**

**10) 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 Powerlifter of the Year	Pat Ling
Male Powerlifter of the Year	Tom Nicholls
Female Bench Press Athlete of the Year	LeeAnn Dalling

Male Bench Press Athlete of the Year  
Bill Jamison Award

Darren Weatherbie  
Wayne Cormier

## 11) AFFILIATIONS OF NEW MEMBER PROVINCES

### **Nunavut**

Terry Young wrote a letter to the CPU and has applied to be a new member province. There was discussion as to how Terry qualified for Nationals, and standards for qualifying for Nationals. Motion to accept Nunavut as a provisional province.

**ON/NS      Passed**

## 12) DELINQUENT PROVINCES

### **Resignation of Walt Forsey from Executive**

Jeff was informed that Newfoundland will not be paying their Affiliation fees this year. There was discussion about their lifters being able to lift at Nationals. Lifters have already bought CPU cards.

Motion that "Jeff will contact Newfoundland/ Labrador Powerlifting Association to inform them that their Affiliation fees must be paid by April 16, 2004, and failure to do this means that Newfoundland is no longer a member of the CPU."

**NS/AB      Passed**

## 13) FUTURE CHAMPIONSHIP BIDS

### **A. Nationals**

Only one bid was received, and Calgary, Alberta will host Nationals 2005 from April 6-10.

### **B. Men's and Women's Open Worlds 2007- Jeff**

Canada has put a bid in for these Worlds. If Jeff does not get these Worlds, he would like to bid on a Juniors Worlds. Jeff has not decided where to host these contests yet. Jeff will make a decision by August 1 whether or not he is going to keep his bid in for the Men's and Women's Open Worlds, and he will then let the CPU Executive know his decision.

## 14) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

### **1. The CPU Website**

- ❖ If this is the form of communication that we as lifter and the membership are using, which it appears to be, some things need to be mentioned. First anyone posting should be using their real name (first and last)- not nicknames, etc. The CPU Executive has agreed that this should be the practice, and the webmasters should remove posts without first and last names. Also we would like to see any links to other federations, other than the IPF affiliated federations, removed. We would also like to see posts that are abuse to CPU referees or administrations removed.
- ❖ Second, the constitution and bylaws need updated from last years AGM as they are not current, this needs to be done immediately. (\*\*This has now been done-Mike Armstrong.)

### **2. Financial Report**

- ❖ At last years AGM I don't believe we saw audited financial reports last year, they must be made available to all of us at the AGM. (\*\*This is recorded in the AGM Minutes as done?? So I am not sure if all did not get a copy or ??-Kim Dennis)

### **3. Records and Registration Chairman**

- ❖ It would make sense that the position of Records and Registration chairperson be split up as they have nothing to do with each other. If no one wants the position of Registration chairperson than it seems that it should come under the duties of Treasurer as it deals with the handling of money. It was decided that money for registration will be sent directly to the CPU President, who will turn it over to the Treasurer, and Dave Hoffman will continue to distribute CPU cards.

- ❖ It has also been recommended that Mike Armstrong take over the position of Records Chairman, so that successful records that are broken can be reported to him and he will keep the CPU database on the web page up to date. It is noted that Dave Hoffman has agreed to turn the position over to Mike. Since a copy of results and new Canadian records are being sent to Jeff, Dave and Mike, Dave will still do the certificates as the official Records Chairperson, and Mike will keep the webpage up to date. Mike will also continue to update the constitution as part of his job with the website. This should be included in his job description in the constitution.

**4. In reference to Bylaw 9:10**

- ❖ Some lifters would like to see the breakdown of the \$100 that the athletes pay to attend the Worlds consists of. None of this money should be going into general revenues to operate the CPU. It should all be going towards the athlete and towards coaching.

**5. Inquiry**

- ❖ An inquiry has been submitted from Ontario about the decision that was made to allow Hoi Leung to compete at the 2003 Men's Open Worlds. There was discussion about all lifters lifting at Worlds without lifting at Nationals
- ❖ Motion to strike Amendment 9:03 from the constitution.
- ❖ Replace 9:03 with "A lifter must lift, and record a National qualifying standard total in either Powerlifting or Bench Press, at the Nationals for that said year, if they wish to compete at the World Championships."

**PEI/BC Passed**

**6. Jamie Emberley**

- ❖ Jamie Emberley forged Paul Gidney's signature on his girlfriend's, Jenny Porter's, entry form, and sent it in to the meet director. Jeff was contacted, and so was the girlfriend. Paul has a copy of the entry form with the attempt to copy Paul's signature. Jamie emailed Paul saying that what he did was not a "big deal".
- ❖ Paul would like National entry forms removed from the internet so that this can not happen in the future, and the only way entry forms can be received is directly from Provincial Presidents.
- ❖ Nova Scotia would like to see either: a) Jamie and his girlfriend receive a \$150 fine to be able to compete at Nationals this weekend, or b) that each of them receives a 3 month suspension, and neither of them will compete this weekend.
- ❖ Proposal "Jamie Emberley and Jenny Porter both be suspended from the CPU until a fine of \$150 each is paid in cash or certified cheque. Both Jamie and Jenny must write a written apology to Paul Gidney, and the CPU Executive by April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2004, or a one year suspension will be in affect."
- ❖ Amendment: To change the dollar amount to \$75
- ❖ Amendment: To change the dollar amount to \$100

**ON/NS Passed**

**PQ/AB Failed**

**PQ/AB Failed**

**7. World Games 2005**

- ❖ Jeff is wondering if we want to put together a list of athletes that will be eligible to be chosen for our regional team. The best Wilks from next year's Nationals would be used to choose the lifters. The Wilks standard for men would be 475, and for women would be 400. Jeff would like to put his name forward as a coach, and is wondering if the CPU would then have his airfare paid to go to the World Games instead of to Open Worlds that year. The executive has decided that they would pay his airfare to Open's Worlds, not the World Games.

**15) ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn at 9:56 p.m.

**PQ/BC Passed**