Draft Minutes of 2010 CODA AGM

RHYC, Hamilton , Ontario

25 August 2010 – 1600 hours

Present at meeting: (from the CODA sign in sheet)
Dominque Andry
Hubert Bourque
Carolyn Caldwell
Cyrille Vittecoq
Malcolm Fraser
Harald Fritz
Hillary Wise Hansen
Peter Harney
Susan Harney
Gord Koch
Peter Lyall
Teddi Orenstein-Lyall
Julie Martineau
Tine Moberg-Parker
Richard Myerscough
Kent Paisley
Keith Richardson
Diana Shaw

Rob Snyder

FNU White

Proxies: (from the CODA sign in sheet)

Sam Atkins

Cieran Beveridge

Thomas Cote

Jake Cullen

Fannie DeAlcala

Jim Donaldson

Nicholas Donaldson

Phillipe Pasquin

Jack Rieder

Jonathon Stanix

Diego Wagemann

Francisco Wagemann

Stephen Flinn

Lynda Flinn?

Liam Scott-Moncrieff

Ethen Kinsman

Andrew Wood

Dylan Cochrane

Katrina McCallum

Christopher Volkers

Oliver Barry

Callum Barry

Executive:

President: Jim Beatty

Registrar: Cyrille Vittecoq

Class Development Officer: Keith Richards

Ontario VP: Carolyn Caldwell (and taking minutes – arrived after meeting started

as stuck in traffic)

BC VP: Dr. Teddi Orenstein-Lyall

Vello Ehvert: Secretary/Treasurer

Members:

- -Jim introduced the Executive and introduced the meeting
- -Tanya Chamberlain taking minutes
- -having more than 10 registrants present to conduct the meeting it was properly constituted

Cyrille Vittecoq – class registrant

Vello Ehvert – secretary – has done unbelievable work for CODA on the International team and administrative side

Vello then distributed the minutes from the 2009 AGM together with the financial statements for the past 3 years

- -Jim Beatty (JB): highlighted the accomplishments of CODA over the past 12 months:
 - -focus on high end competition
 - -more attendees at Orange Bowl than ever before
 - -increased participation in South Americans Vello began this process by taking his son to the South Americans this year had 9 sailors attend
- -only through International competition will kids understand the level of competition
- -registered 68 new boats this year largest number in the history of CODA
- -held North Americans in Kingston achieved what Canadians would be proud of –have received excellent review of the event
- -increased numbers of spots put a lot of pressure on the Executive had 32 sailors attend great exposure for young kids
- -sailors did very well had 7 kids in the top 100 would have to go back 3-4 years to see that outstanding performances there were 4 sailors in the top 50 which has never been done in the history of CODA
- -had 5 training camps in the fall and spring only 3 in the past 20 sailors
- -Jim then moved to outline the objectives of the CODA Executive for the future:
- want to have succession planning need to train junior executive members for natural selection process to give our association continuity
- -need to be pro-active with the Canadian Yachting Association (CYA) to increase the visibility of CODA Paddy Boyd is the new Executive Director of the CYA
- -need to increase membership our goal is to increase the membership of CODA to 200

- -1000 kids sailing Optis this year across Canada this includes the Club programs great opportunity to increase membership in CODA and get to the 200 level –BC will enroll more members at the BC Championships in September
- -update the 5 year plan to get Canadian sailors in the top 100 at the world level for more competition need stronger base of Canadian coaches need them to have cutting edge skills and training
- -used to have NAYRU (North American Yacht Racing Union) meet concern of Euro-centrism of sailing there is a lot of interaction between the CYA and the US Sailing Association
- -want to have CODA sailors participate in USODA training camps
- -we have not been good at website communication but need more effort in that area
- -encourage the VPs to be more active with EDs (executive directors) and and PSOs (provincial sailing associations) level
- -Opti-Moms are powerful group stimulate membership by getting them to Regattas need to develop social fraternity by having more regattas for them to attend with their kids wine and cheese parties show them what vision for sailing can be
- -what do we want to accomplish in the coming years? good to have a plan need to understand what the Executive is trying to accomplish

Cyrille Vittecoq (CV): registrar position – finish membership – little more members in BC coming – 117 members and 2 standing members (parents who do not have kids or have interest in CODA and want support it)

BC= 25 members; Ont= 39; Que=39; NS=12; Nfld=3

-we would like to see more girls join – 23 girls and 93 boys – do not know what we can do to increase involvement of girls

- -want to get to 200 -big turn rate people do not renew their membership current data 35 members who are eligible are not members this excludes kids who have aged out or moved to another class
- -currently 55 in red fleet; 9 aging out; 39 red; and 23 white (not sure of this number)
- -record numbers of sail numbers issued this year used boats transferred but mainly new boats thanks to the regional games Provinces like Quebec using them in their Summer games
- -ongoing project to have online registration and payment which would be great move from mail in and cash

Vello Ehvert (VE): 2 go hand in hand – 2 positions – Secretary and Treasurer – listed as one – in fact always been 2 separate positions – my position as secretary ends – been secretary for 4 years – took over from Gerry Griffin (???) – the position was outlined to me in casual terms – what the role was – really role was to organize International events when we started entering the Worlds, Europeans and North Americans – at that time no one had been to the South Americans – 3 years ago I introduced it and no one wanted to go – took my son – last year we took 3 sailors and this year 9 – the extra spots has resulted in an increase in the position – kids are competing at a higher level more often – selection process not entirely clear – no subjective selection – top 5 kids go to the Worlds – 4 to Europeans and 9 to North Americans

- -in practice rarely do the 1st top kids go to the Worlds usually because of financial restrictions I give the 1st 5 kids the chance and then move to the European selection takes a long time because parents not sure they want to spend the money it is very expensive flights, accommodation, charters can be very costly to go to Regattas
- -in order to get more spots we need a stronger showing at International events
- -when I came in Harald Fritz was the President we had lost spots because our sailors did not place high enough they do not want last place finishers poor

sailors slow the races down – create accidents – IODA wants a high level of competition – let the top sailors go to the Regattas - people drop out – if you attend the Canadians, have the opportunity to go to the North Americans – sometimes have exhausted the lists 3 times – could be someone chosen who has just started sailing – challenge is to give the top kids opportunity to show what they can do

IODA rules conflict – cannot attend Europeans and Worlds – and cannot attend the North Americans and South Americans –

-when I took over as Treasurer CODA did not have a bank account – Harald Fritz and I opened a bank account – at CIBC – I automated the accounting system – bought Quick Books and set up standard chart – CODA revenues not complicated but accounting is for the International teams - Treasurer resigned 3 years ago – my employee Sarah Brewer does the work for me – I pay her and she prepares the books

-we have never set an accurate fiscal year – the International regattas straddle the fiscal year – revenue for last 3 years is about \$8-9 K – the boat registration brings in about \$2,000 per year – CODA's expenses are minimal – IODA fee, marketing (mostly website) and office supplies

-regattas are very expensive: \$10,000-15,000 - the accounting practices do not recognize payments for that come in from the regattas as revenue – we credit an account for each child – the competitors send in payments

-one anomaly: must look into why we are out \$3,000 in 2007 – may have some arrears for older regattas – the organizing committees are disorganized as to the accounting – rarely accurate – problems with exchange rates – sometimes up and sometimes down

-2nd largest expense is the training clinic side – income from training clinics is not shown as revenue into CODA – upward \$50,000-\$100,00 per year – we do not treat the payment of clinics as revenue – shows whether we are ahead or behind

-CODA has few assets – CIBC account - \$11,000 in bank – need a proper reporting period

JB: I would like to acknowledge contribution made by Vello; may only run for 2 term as secretary – done all this for us – acknowledge it

-this year opportunity for International competition is:

South Americans – Uruguay – 11 spots –

North Americans – Kingston – 32 spots (last year)

Europeans - Poland - 4

Worlds - 5 - New Zealand

-this coming year:

-South Americans - 14-24 April - Chile

-North Americans – June- July – Cabrillo Beach, CA

-Europeans – 2-10 July – Poland

-Worlds – 28 December – 8 January – New Zealand

Provincial Reports: (to be posted on CODA website)

JB: reports have been tabled to the Executive and will be posted to the website

-increasing activities at the Provincial level

-next year Canadians at Lunenberg, Nova Scotia – getting the dunk tank and fire truck ready to rinse the boats – date will be around the end of August

Teddi Orenstein-Lyall (TOL): may I please have a few minutes to let everyone know what we have been doing?

JB: allow the others as well?

TOL: I think you should

JB: agrees

TOL: I am the Western Canada rep or VP – lots of development with green fleet

- -have 11 First Nations' sailors this year ran three week MOSS (Mobile Optimist Sailing School) program this summer
- -next week is the Commodore's Cup at Royal Vancouver Yacht Club (RVYC) entrants engaged in learn to sail programs across lower mainland gives the junior sailors a time to shine
- -last fall at the Pumpkin Bowl at West Vancouver Yacht Club (WVYC) had 45 green fleeters
- -Whistler started a sailing club due to great interest in Opti sailing going to have a permanent Opti coach
- -invite blue fleet to the Whistler Cup 5 days of sailing in late June mountain biking in the morning and sailing in the afternoon
- -many sailors competed in WAVES at RVYC and Sail West had sailors from Manitoba, Calgary and Edmonton
- -now have former RVYC sailing coach in Comox running an Opti program Rob Douglas
- -our senior race team RVYC racers went to the San Francisco for the Heavy Weather Regatta in June and then to the North Americans in Kingston – for many it was their first experience at an International regatta – huge improvement in sailors in 6 weeks over the summer
- -Senior race team trained at Squamish, BC while Junior team raced in Kelowna at COSA and at the Sockeye Cup at Cultus Lake, B.C.
- -we would like to invite everyone to attend the heavy weather training in San Francisco followed by the Heavy Weather regatta (13-20 June) and we can continue on to the North Americans in Los Angeles (Cabrillo Beach)

JB: thank you for your report – wonderful ideas regarding green fleet development – very powerful initiatives

-2012 Canadians – RVYC has expressed an interest – need proposal document – Lunenberg had to conform to document we sent them – looking for experience in running a major regatta, need chair, dates, description of the venue – will send the proposal document to Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta

-2011 Canadian Championships will be held 20-25 August – dates are not firm as yet

Kent LNU: final decision on dates?

JB: need to nail them down quickly – difficulty CORK amalgamation of Optis in International regatta – (????) – we want the Canadians to be in the fourth week of August

Hubert Bourque (HB): conflict with start of school?

JB: range of times - would like to have 20 participants from the US team

Constitutional and Bylaw Amendments:

JB: would like to give some background regarding need to amend the bylaws and constitution – last fall I challenged Keith and Cyrille to examine the bylaws and constitution – documents had been written and drafter but buried – needed reexamination – thank Cyrille and Keith for their efforts – we have had excellent focus groups – heard voices of members – now turn over to Cyrille – want to pass resolutions on this

CV: as Jim said the bylaws and constitution in force for many years – had discussions re governance and operation not reflected in the document – the positions of Secretary and Treasurer do not reflect our practices – my position as registrar does not exist – the functions performed by the secretary needs to be changed - item of discussion was Bylaw 20: International team selection – current reading of bylaws – hard to understand – different interpretation – needed clarity

- -Constitution creates structure of the Association what the structure is can be changed with 2/3 majority vote of members
- -Bylaws are more short term related to the operating rules how do we operate? can be changed by a simple majority

Proposed Constitutional Amendments:

Articles 6 and 7 – composition of Executive committee and officers – recognize the current practices – split the position of secretary and treasurer – want to add the registrar position – very important task – renamed the Publicity officer to Class development officer

- -have added standard removal clause and conflict clause conflict clause was necessary because some Executive members involved in the selection process may have kids in sailing and will need to refrain from making decisions about their own kids
- -Article 8: give the power to create standing and special committees to the Executive
- -wanted to create and International Teams' Committee Vello is a single person huge task to select the International teams cannot perform effectively with one person need a team a couple of people from the Executive
- -we are recommending making changes article by article

JB: motion regarding Article 6 made by Keith Richards; Malcolm Fraser – second motion – floor opened for discussion:

TOL: removal clause gives the executive the power to remove an executive by a 2/3 vote of the executive – has to be ratified by a general meeting

CV: actually gives executive power to do it subject to ratification

JB: where there is gross misconduct or negligence need to be able to take action and go to members – constitution gives us the right to call a special meeting

Q: would e-voting be possible?

VE: let's be blunt – the Executive wants me out – this is too subjective – how do you define gross negligence? – if they do not get along with someone, just toss someone out – they felt that way this year – I do not hear the members complaining about me

TOL: if Executive felt strongly, can remove member at general meeting?

VE: problem with that is can't wait 20 days – do not see what would be grossly negligent

CV: many have that kind of clause – standard procedure – only once per year do we have the opportunity to remove members of the executive – in an emergency we can call and email meeting

JB: ensure our actions undertaken will be ratified by the members

Q: process has to be fair - has to be solid grounds

JB: we looked at the NZ charter – have to be solid grounds – did not incorporate USODA has done - much more power in Executive in USODA

CV: Executive needs team work – volunteer org – fairness, communication – ability to work together – has to be way to go to members and tell them that when it is not working – issue of gross negligence

Harald Fritz (HF): if you wait to have removal ratified by the membership have rendered that person useless – must have some merit to remove the person

Q: we elect the Executive to manage – to be in position of power – unwieldy – need to look at this – voted them in as management – need to accept their governance and if do not, can vote them out next year

VE: why not send out an email to members? - less than 100

JB: there is 20 day notification period – could make 10 – change the notice period

Q: not unreasonable?

VE: less subjective – Executive did not like the way I selected for the International regattas – membership voted me in even though executive disagreed

Q: should the notice period shorter? – add gross negligence – misappropriation of funds

Q: 2/3 vote – put to membership

Q: discretion of Board – someone targeted opening – want to define management of class – regatta is different

CV: 50 people – issue is best interests of association covered here? – interpretation of the executive at the time – will be covered at general meeting: "as directed by the association"

JB: shorter notice period?

Q: clearer in constitution shorter notice for special meeting

JB: motion to the effect?

VE: would like to mention training regatta in fall (Port Credit) that kids went out in too windy conditions – boats were damaged and kids were in the water – no head count of kids out on the water – did not find out what happened – liability there for CODA and organizers of Regatta – thank God no one was hurt – scary situation – need better safety measures – South American coach Fran let kids go out in 35 knots of wind – very cold – some kids had hypothermia

JB: motions relate to Article 6

TOL: removal of any officer by a majority? What about this:

"Removal: any officer elected by the Association may be removed by a general meeting and that general meeting shall be called in 10 days."

Q: if have special meeting – focusing specific condition: removal

JB: AGM doesn't have to be at the Canadians

-a vote was held on the amended motion brought by Teddi Orenstein-Lyall and was carried – Vello voted against the resolution

JB: article 7:

CV: duties of officers as operated the last 3 years – reflection of practice what we are doing – no can complain not doing what we should be

Hillary: where is the budget for next year?

JB: no budget – Vello ran the International teams – really not a lot of money – Vello collects the money for the regattas and the money simply flows through

Hillary: it would help members to forward a budget of what these things cost – want to see where the money is going

JB: accept that and put it in the minutes

HF: other than International teams what are expenses – dues of 120 kids

VE: good idea for budget - no Treasurer for 2 years - I did the financials - took on the treasurer job - did not do the statements - did not on role of treasurer - funds flow throw the account - we need to be careful not to erode the capital we have - for the International teams we do provide a budget for the regatta - the team leader is responsible for administration and collection of fees - detailed budgets done for each International regatta

Hillary: want to know where the money goes?

Q: will encourage people to join

Q: treasurer should give written report

PE? Secretary position has changed: IODA assumes there is a single point of contact

VE: have constitution clarified – have substantially changed the administration of the teams – removed the secretary from that role – Articles 7 and 8 should be voted on together – need to know who will take on the role of team selection or head team selection committee before make the change – hasn't been discussed who will organise the International teams

CV: secretary /treasurer position does not talk about International teams – it was decided to give that role to the secretary on an *ad hoc* basis – now wanting to give this position to a committee instead of one person – will give clarity and transparency – committee will manage the process of team selection – Canadians will still be the defining process – Canadians have been the historic means for years

DS: how about we define the committee? Could be made up of VPs/Provincial reps – should know who it is before we vote?

TOL: stick to the order?

TC: remove the motion to pass Art 7?

VE: process of selection is about 1600 hours – the issue is make sure the process is a good one – committee should be nominated

(motion carried to vote on Art. 7 – Art. 7 passed)

Art 8: proposer – Malcolm Fraser

Discussion:

Q: International team selection by executive – include VPs/provincial reps? – at present no one knows who it is or what they are doing?

CV: in the text:

HF: do not know who is responsible or on the committee – need to know who will be

JB: we learned that job too much for one person – trying to simplify the process and have people notify us as soon as possible – in the US parents have 24 hours to decide if child going to International event – in Canada it is an open ended process – we don't know who will agree to go

CV: all we are saying here is to delegate this

Kent: need committees and to develop them – can be VPs and one or two people from the executive – needs to be two to three people

TOL: art 8(e) could specify three executive members?

VE: biggest challenges are making the calls and going through the list – in US they have process with a National qualifier – we are not Americans – lots of kids there are home schooled and all they do is sail

TC: no one is saying that parents need to have just 24 hours to decide but there needs to be some sort of reasonable deadline so that others can have an opportunity – for example 14 days

Julie Martineau: we had 48 hours

TC: too short

JB: need closure – not 24 hours but some definition - responsible time frame to organize camps – short process so our organisation is not in limbo

TOL: committee could be composed of VPs – all elected

VE: four years – scramble to fill extra spots – worked with the provincial reps – called them – involved as many people as possible – reps made calls to people – good to split up the functions of treasurer and secretary – top 5 finishers at Canadians never take the first 5 spots – we are always short spots – want to have as many as possible going – and want the best kids to go

CC: selection process based on the Canadians – have new spots – reviewed the language – appropriate selection where have extra spots

HF: harping on who makes selection – who administers – who determines who the rest are who will be chosen after the Canadian list is exhausted

TOL: amend the section to say that must be 4 member on the selection committee – include each of the VPs

TMB: -one leader plus all the Provincial reps?

TOL: head of the committee plus the reps?

JB: the 5 regions are defined?

TOL: have elected VPs – have a head of the committee

JB: to the extent that the topography improves – won't apply

Kent: great amendment – committee can go away – know how they will actually manage and select participants

TOL: add amendment to Art. 8(e): "the head of the committee shall be selected by the Executive and the committee shall include the Provincial VPs."

JB: this is a competency process – we used the four Provincial reps recommendations – there might be an occasion where there is no Canadian Championships – for example – light air or a hurricane might prohibit the Canadian championships

CV: Bylaw defines and selects

Carolyn Caldwell (CC): approve the resolution and accept the change (proposed by TOL)?

"International Teams Committee. This committee shall be selected by the Executive and shall include the Provincial representatives....."

CC: can't nominate officers

Kent: voted on by membership – who is the head of the committee? – who will drive it?

VE: determined by results

JB: could come in under "new business" part of meeting

Art 8(e) proposal passed with amendment that Executive shall select the head of the International teams committee and shall include the Provincial VPs.

Art 8(e): International Teams Committee. This committee shall carry out the duties of selecting, communicating and coordinating the formation of Teams representing Canada at IODA sanctioned World and Continental Championships, in accordance with IODA rules and the Bylaws of the Association. The head of International Teams Committee shall be selected by the Executive and the committee shall include the Provincial Vice-Presidents

CV: errors and omissions?

TOL: Art. 8(d) – Regatta committee – should include "safety"? – need to review safety – have committee make recommendations

JB: we are not managing the events – managed elsewhere – need to think carefully to minimize our risk

VE: should add safety

CV: constitutional change?

Kent: - insurance issue – may not want to put into constitution?

JB: waiver of liability?

(Keith Richards) KR: we voted on Art. 8 – provisions are in the constitution to create a special committee

CV: Bylaw 7 removed – not needed as since 1995 boats are standardized –

-new bylaw 7: 1 VP for each province or region – must be at least 5 members per province or region

-discussion that 5 is too high – desirable to get more regions and provinces involved – example: Alberta, Saskatchewan, Alberta and the Territories

TMP-want to have them involved at Executive level – best way to engage them

JB: need critical mass

Q: what is the best way to promote sailing among kids?

CV: don't want board to be too big – been on boards where 16 or more –

CV: 10 provincial reps?

TMP: CYA moving to Provincial-regional model

JB: how about 5 per region? – want provincial involvement in team selection – selection to teams may evolve to regional championships – could we amend "province" to "region"

CV: could say that where the word "province" is used "region" may be substituted

Bylaw 14 – discussion – making membership for current year for general meeting based on numbers at 31 December

TMP: membership should last 365 days – want kids to have 12 months of membership – especially green fleeter

JB: great idea – put in minutes for future

DS: can move in that direction

CV: Bylaw 14 – really about numbers for a general meeting

-Bylaw 14 passed-

Article 20:

JB: organizational changes at the CYA – regions will hold the Championships in future – cannot have people digging in their heels during the selection process – need a different process

TMP: need to think about long-term development – new chart – make sure kids are at right age and stage

JB: moving to regional events – regattas – more than last year

TMP: not a fun for kids when conditions too much – should be fun – should want bigger green fleet – going in that direction

CV: pass a resolution for each or bylaw by bylaw? – proposal to approve the changes to Bylaw 20?

(I do not think Bylaw 20 was voted on or was ultimately passed)

VE: may suggest slate for executive?

Executive slate: Peter Kelly (measurer) Tanya Chamberlain (Secretary)

-discussion among members about whether President's position is up for reelection – recollection of those attending 2009 AGM that Jim Beatty had requested a one year term. Keith Richards produced a letter to that effect. This was also reflected in the minutes filed by Vello Ehvert

HF: we agreed to allow Jim Beatty to be the President for one more year – only a one year extension – not 2 more years – at the 2009 AGM the candidate who stepped up was not acceptable to the members so compromise was reached – therefore we need to nominate someone to run for President

JB: first I have heard of it to be honest

VE: the minutes were accepted regarding that

KR: Jim elected for 2 year term – extended

JB/KR (not sure): news to me – not vetted by the Executive

-there was debate last year – offer of 1 additional year – accept candidate in another 2 years – that candidate was not in the room

HR: there is a record – that is what it was

KR: Jim had written a letter – not reflected in the minutes- his interest in remaining for 2009-2010 – wanted President to emerge from among the Executive and therefore have Jim continue for one more year – have succession then

Q: can read verbatim that Jim agreed to one year

VE: introduced incoming Exec – what about nominating committee?

CV: may or may not create a nominating committee? Not aware of the minutes from last year -1^{st} time have seen them is tonight – nominations were discussed at meeting on Sunday

VE: not aware of meeting – no candidates canvassed?

HF: how do we want to resolve the issue of nominations?

CC: we have a slate and we have a vacancy – have the issues we discussed tonight – in the best interests of CODA to have Jim stand for one more year? – then focus on filling the treasurer position? – odd situation – protocol? What is the reasonable thing to do? There is a lot of work to be done. Let's focus energy on filling treasurer position –

TOL: had another thought – what if Jim continues as President and Vello steps in as Treasurer – compromise? Vello has lead us well as the head of selection – he could be the head of the Team selection committee – need a spot on the executive filled

-much discussion ensues particularly from KR, CC, JB and CV with the result that Keith, Carolyn and Cyrille all say they are unwilling to work with Vello

TOL: have 32 proxies from BC

CC: asked Vello for the financials and the minutes

-CV, CC, KR all resign and leave the meeting – many members have left as the hour is late – JB remains

TOL: apologizes for giving impression using proxies – offers resignation – offer declined by all present

HF: must carry on where we left off last year – clean up the issue of who is the president

-much discussion among those remaining about the failure of the executive to give timely notice regarding the AGM, the notice and the proposed amendments to the bylaws and constitution – also about the failure to give notice to members of the executive – Teddi Orenstein-Lyall and Vello Ehvert so that they could have attended the meetings on Sunday and Tuesday night – discussion about how nomination process could have been more transparent and inclusive

-discussion among members that no one wanted anyone to resign or leave –

HF: felt that Executive should have been more open about Jim staying on – great that we created new bylaws and constitution but now have left the room and cannot move forward

TMP: terrible example for kids if parents cannot get along – we tell the kids to get along and play fair but adults are not – if we are making changes – need to be open about it

JB: Vello done a lot of hard work – doesn't mean everyone gets along – there is a process and a protocol

TOL: there should have been an executive meeting where everyone had notice and was included

VE: was not included in the process – I am concerned about the safety of the kids - care about CODA

JB: want to adjourn the meeting

(discussion about what the correct course of action was: adjourn the meeting and reconvene the following day or continue on and nominate an interim executive; JB spoke strongly in favour of adjourning and continuing on at another time, possibly the following day. TC spoke against that arguing that it would not be

possible to give notice to members to allow them to participate and that it would detract from main purpose of attendance at RHYC and the Canadians – the kids. There was much debate and discussion among all present. Ultimately it was decided that there would be a motion to elect an interim executive. JB left the meeting)

VE took over chair from JB:

TC: suggest we make a motion to have an interim board be elected by those members remaining which could be removed or reviewed within a time period? This would allow CODA to continue and function for good of kids

Hubert: need a time limit – need a special meeting who will be called to elect a permanent board within 60 days

HF: need 20 days' notice to members as well

Motion that an Interim Executive Board be elected and after 20 days' notice to the Members of CODA that the elections be held for election of permanent officers within 60 days of the 2010 CODA AGM.

This motion was made and seconded and carried unanimously.

Motion to Nominate Vello Ehvert for Interim President; Malcolm voted against; all others for.

Motion to nominate Tanya Chamberlain for Secretary; carried unanimously

Motion to nominate Robert Snyder as Interim Treasurer; motion carried unanimously

Motion to nominate Peter Kelly as Interim Treasurer; motion carried unanimously Meeting adjourned at 0000 hours.