

MINUTES OF THE BMFA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
held on September 23rd, 2025
at 6:30 p.m.

Present:

Matt McLeod
Kim Prangley
Dan Condon
Jeff Brock
Shakim Bennett
Violetta Hukari
Matt Afinec
George Shamoun
Andrew Lambert
Larissa Lambert
Sandra Dubreuil
Emily Jackson
Kim Bevington
Antigoni Grivas
Mike Bragg
Pete Wilson
Mike Zuccherato
Dave Gerrard
Carly
Anneiliese Lawton
Delaney Prangley

1. Call to Order/

- Matt McLeod welcomed all attendees
- Meeting commenced and agenda modified awaiting quorum

2. Introductions and President's Report

- Matt thanked directors for a very successful year delivering against the BMFA mandate
- Matt spoke to priority of succession planning for board of directors and directors moving forward
- Priority around process documentation moving forward
- Spoke to the need to improve payment processing deal for the organization in the spirit of getting costs down, which can be passed on to registrants
- Hired an administrator who was working well, but resigned due to family circumstances. A replacement is being recruited
- A coach was dismissed in 2025 due to not representing the organization in a manner consistent with the organization's values
- New equipment manager is doing a tremendous job

- Spoke to relationship with City regarding facility upgrades and maintenance, positive progress
- Working with City to extend lease, City allowing use of Club house during this process. City extending use of public washrooms during this period

3. Presentation of Audited Financial Statements

- Matt circulated financial statements in advance for review & presented
- Williams and partners are audit partners
- Process in place with Matt & Kim to approve all payments before being issued
- Vote delayed until quorum achieved on meeting

4. Vice-President Report

- Kim welcomed everyone and commented on OSR program. Effective on flag, has been implemented for tackle. 40% improvement in gate fees in summer. Parents get in free, other tickets \$10
- Field access (turf fields) are at capacity and difficult to obtain. Becoming more difficult with increased programs
- Press box upgrades occurring in real time, including internet for streaming games and sound system
- Helmet purchases – 100 helmets replaced this year. Goal is to improve 10/15 per year
- 2026 Anniversary committee has been established. Launch new logo at Santa Clause Parade.

5. Director of Non-Contact Report

- George thanked flag community and volunteers for all the successes this year, specifically in spring
- George thanked sponsor Area51
- George specifically recognized Larissa Lambert for her amazing contribution to flag
- 2025 Spring Flag House League – most participants ever, 1,800 athletes (typically 1,400). Adopted Football Canada rules in 2025, to maintain consistency for players and officials and pathway to elite level at Provincial and National level
- Enhancements in “friends” protocol, including submission of full teams. Parameters also included to ensure fair and competitive play
- Fall Flag – 2nd year. Smaller than spring league. 450 athletes in 2025 (300 in 2024). Will grow moving forward, wanted kids who want to play to have an option
- Elite Flag/Rep Development – New to BMFA in 2025. Piloted in 2024 (2 teams). 6 teams in 2025 spring/summer. 2026 target is 9 teams in elite flag. Focus is on skill position players (QB, WR, DB), happens Provincially & Nationally.

- Provided several athletes to team Ontario in 2025
- Partnered with Football Ontario to create Ontario Elite Flag league, serves need. BMFA leader in helping develop league, starts October 2025. Develops local elite players but also Provincially
- 2026 – Expect double-digit increase in spring flag. U10-U14, male and female, biggest growth segment. Need additional resources to support growth, volunteers. Need additional sponsorship revenue.
- Rep rewards program being developed, rewards behaviours. Attending practice, good teammates, what BMFA stands for on and off field.
- Need to continue to develop programs and support growth for female athletes in flag

6. Director of Contact Report

- Jeff highlighted 2025 – 5 rep teams in AAA, Nike/Litzen partnership successful, will incorporate anniversary logo in 2026, great growth in gate receipts, Friday night lights concept worked well, also enabled younger teams to play to Saturday
- Burlington viewed as the premiere tackle program in Halton
- Looking for coaches for next summer, applications open
- Fall tackle underway, new coaches brought in, hopeful they will stay for summer
- Tackle program is profitable and self sustaining – improvement attributed to board role, expense management and gate fees

7. Fundraising Report

- Mike Bragg spoke of new sponsors – Brant Electric, Shiptons Heating & Cooling, Truevision Financial
- \$20,000 in sponsorship fees for tackle
- Overall positive results in fundraising, goal to keep fees for registration down, while completing facility and capital repairs
- Kim added thanks to Mike for becoming announcer

8. Questions and Answer Period

- No Questions posed

9. Approval of the Minutes of the 2024 Annual General Meeting, Monday August 12 2024

- Matt McLeod moved to approve minutes, Kim seconded
- Minutes approved

10. Vote to approve auditors

- Dan brought motion to bring Williams and Partners as BMFA auditors, Matt McLeod seconded
- Vote successfully passed

11. Other Business

- Matt asked for support for Governor of Coaching and other open positions
- Dan suggested we post on social media to obtain applications

12. Meeting Adjourned at 7:13pm