



Annual Meeting Minutes 2025

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Jan 23, 2025

Directors Present: Cam Sherriff (chair), Dale Johnson, Mike Yano
Recording: Marianne Collins

Absent: Hervé Séguin

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Meeting called to order at 7:38PM. 13 members attending. 4 needed for quorum (25% of voting membership)

Moved by: Dale Johnson Seconded by: Bruce Beattie
To: Open Etobicoke Underwater Club 2025 Annual General Meeting.
Motion Carried.

Review of 2024 Minutes

Moved by: Dale Johnson Seconded by: Bruce Beattie
To: Accept 2024 AGM Minutes
Motion Carried.

2024-25 DIRECTORS REPORTS

President – Report (Cam Sherriff)

Further to the President Report, Cam emphasized the need for new executive members to step up and for more volunteer assistance. The club is at a tipping point. *We can flourish with enough help or we can perish under the weight of the workload. Time for people to decide what choice they want to support.*

In addition, a new equipment management plan will be needed this year.

Discussion followed with suggestions to work out:

- how to handle the equipment allocation differently, such as signing out wetsuit and basic gear for the summer. Mike offered to create a sign out form.
- having a gear try on weekend at the Jorge residence for members without their own gear,
- how to transport of tanks, regs and BCDs to the dives,
- how to organize a car pool, possibly using the club's Whatsapp chat,
- requiring dive sign ups 2 weeks in advance in order to accommodate the additional organization tasks

Vice President – Report (Dale Johnson)

Dale continues to support others with their roles and tasks in club activities.

Secretary – Report (Mike Yano)

Final 2024 membership: 32 Regular (Diving) members. 8 Social (non diving) members. 1 Life member. Total of 41 memberships.

Current 2025 membership: 7 Regular (Diving) members. 3 Social (non diving) members. 1 Life member. Total of 11 memberships.

Review of Financial Statements

Cam reviewed the Financials submitted by Hervé.

Motion to accept Financial Statement for 2024-2025 year

Moved by: Dale Johnson Seconded: Bruce B

Motion carried.

Unfinished Business

There being none.

New Business

Notice of Proposed Honorary Membership Nominations

The following are proposed membership nominations to be approved by a two-thirds vote of the members present at a general meeting of the Corporation. Honorary memberships allow the Honoree to receive all club communications and notices to keep in touch with club activities but do not have voting privileges.

Motion #1:

Proposed: To extend Honorary Membership to Dr David Sawatzky in appreciation of his medical council and continuing contributions to the Club.

Moved by: Bruce Thorpe Seconded by: Bruce Beattie

Motion carried.

Discussions:

- Ideas for club events for 2025 were suggested. But it will require volunteers to organize. Suggestions for events included pool rental, underwater hockey, chocolate tasting, maple syrup festival, movie nights. New ideas are always welcome.
- Preferences for dive venues were discussed. Yes to an early Sherkston shake out dive. Less enthusiasm for Barrie waterfront and Windmill due to parking/entrance fee pricing but that could just require carpooling.
- Discussions on the lack of presidential candidates, the option of dissolving the club and the consequence of unsanctioning dives. Decision was made to carry on with election and the proposed re allocation of tasks as discussed. Club executive not be willing to risk their homes and life savings for people to save \$50 by not have liability insurance.

Announcements

Ken Boyce's brother Stephen has passed. Celebration of Life Feb 15th.

Julien Lebourdais (past club president) has passed. Celebration of Life March 1.

ELECTIONS

Motion to convene the election of the new executive and proceed with appointing Art as convener and dissolution of the 2024-2025 Executive Board.

Moved by: Dale Johnson **Seconded by:** Marianne Collins

Motion Carried

Cam thanked the current executive for persisting in supporting the Club well beyond their expected obligation.

ELECTION OF NEW EXECUTIVE

Election Results:

Board of Directors	President:	Cam Sherriff
	Vice President:	Dale Johnson
	Treasurer:	Todd Pope
	Secretary	Mike Yano

Motion to close elections.

Moved by: Marianne Collins **Seconded by:** Bruce B

Motion carried.

Elections closed.

Adjournment of 2025 AGM

Motion to adjourn AGM

Moved by: Marianne Collins **Seconded by:** Dale Johnson

Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 9:00 PM