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**The Winnipeg Lawn Tennis Club  
Annual General Meeting  
Monday, November 17th, 2014 7.00 PM  
The Wildewood Club  
Minutes of the Meeting**

Present:

2014 Board Members

President	Bill Rannard
Vice- President	Joseph Langan
Treasurer	Jody Woods
Secretary	Peter Somers
Wildewood Club Liason	Jana Lea Callis
Member at Large	Ted Redekop
Member at Large	Lillian Wong
Member at Large	Bob Peters

Management & Pro

Club Manager	Ken Callis (absent)
Assistant Manager/Tennis Pro	Trevor Skidmore

Members (see attached). 48 members (including board members) attending.

1. Call to Order

The 2014 Annual General Meeting was called to order at 7.10 pm by Bill Rannard. Joseph to chair.

2. Confirmation of Quorum

Joseph confirmed that more than 15 members were in attendance (over 46). This meets the quorum requirement.

3. Approval to waive reading of Notice of Meeting.

Moved by Nancy Read. Seconded by Mary Kellner-Somers. Carried.

4. Approval of Agenda.

Amendments: 6b Manager's Report. 7b Wildewood Club update. No Pro's update.

Moved by Dave Olafson. Seconded by Archie Chawla. All in favour of amended agenda.

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5. Approval of the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Tuesday, November 12th, 2013.

Moved by Bob Marshall. Seconded by Robb Miles. All in favour. Carried.

6. President's Report

Bill Rannard presented the President's Report.

6b. Manager's Report

Bill Rannard presented the Manager's Report.

7. Treasurers Report

Jody Woods presented the Treasurers Report.

Discussion:

- Net replacement was included with balls resulting in a higher amount in 2013.
- Ken's retirement package was labeled as "Consulting fee".

7b. Wildewood Club update

Jana-Lea Callis presented the update.

- Wildewood Club purchased in Sept 2013 by owners of Alero International & Two Amigos
- No access to showers and weight room
- The Club's lease expires in 2019.

8. Review and discussion of proposed changes to the Club's by-laws

Peter Somers presented a brief overview of the rationale, team, and process.

- In 2013's AGM a motion was made to set up a committee to review the existing by-laws. Issues were identified (see AGM 2013 minutes).
- Team: Tim Hopkins, Dave Olafson, Mary Kellner-Somers, Jan Miles, chaired by Joseph Langan.
- Key differences were highlighted.

A motion to approve made by Robb Miles. Seconded by Pat Chawla.

Discussion:

- John Steele: #3: fix "importing" "neuter"; confusion around #14, 44, 29
- Term limits are not retroactive as stated
- #69: quorum – 25% or number but not both?
- #62: Honorary memberships – amendment to remove clause – Moved by Skip Kane, seconded by Bob Marshall.

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Call to question. Carried. Pass new draft by-laws except for #62 Honory Memberships. All in favour – one opposed. Carried.

### 9. Q&A with Bob Gowenlock, President of Winnipeg Lawn Tennis Company.

- “not like a landlord/tenant relationship, more like a board of trustees”
- “owns facilities”, City owns the land, and club operates
- “hands-off – does not interfere with operation”
- “why is there a need for 2 organizations: if you get a Club management that runs amuck, this puts a limit on the authority of the board.”
- “Club does not have to go to the Company for improvements if using the Club’s money”
- Who’s in the Company:
  - o Bob Gowenlock
  - o Joseph Langan
  - o Greg Giles
  - o Ken Callis
  - o Glen Torgenson
  - o Dave Quinton
- “Good relationship, only conflict was replacement of trees”
- “No thought of amalgamated organization: hasn’t been a conflict; they are not two divergent organizations; always a fear that a Club board would run amuck; protect assets if a lawsuit”
- “No annual fee – now leased from City of Winnipeg”
- “At one point in the past, 40% of membership dues went to the Wildewood Club; later property tax taken over by the Company. Now there are no taxes nor lease payments.”

Peter Somers: “according to the 1966 ruling Winnipeg Lawn Tennis Company vs Hugo et al, this is a trust-beneficiary relationship.”

### 10. New business

Clarify relationship between Company and the Club. Moved by Dave Olafson. Seconded by Mary Kellner-Somers.

Discussion: strong desire for a member controlled operation. Robb Miles called for the question. Carried.

Motion: All in favour – except 4 opposed, 1 abstention. Carried.

Archie proposed Lifetime Honorary Membership for Ken Callis. Moved by Michele Sen. Terry Langan seconded. Motion: All in favour – except 1 opposed. Carried.

Human Rights Commission update requested by Rob Marshall. Jana Lea: Human Rights Commission interview done. No recommendation as of yet. Joseph Langan: \$5600 cost to the Club over 2.5 years.

### 11. Confirmation of 2014 Board of Directors not standing for re-election

President

Bill Rannard

Vice-President

Joseph Langan

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Wildewood Club Liaison  
Member at Large

Jana Lea Callis  
Ted Redekop

## 12. Election of the 2015 Board of Directors:

Bob Marshall suggested electing a slate. Voting procedure: directors roles clarified; candidates left the room; Ted Redekop temporary Secretary.

		results
President	Peter Somers	unanimous
Vice-President	Lillian Wong	unanimous
Treasurer	Jody Woods	unanimous
Secretary	Angela Narth	unanimous
Member at Large	Bob Peters	unanimous
Member at Large	Jon Young	unanimous
Member at Large	Michelle Georgi	unanimous

Peter Somers: Thanks to retiring board members and especially Bill for their years of service and laying the foundation for our success.

Joseph Langan: Spoke to Ken's retirement with anecdotes from previous staff and personal experiences.

13. Adjournment. Moved by Mary Kellner-Somers, seconded by Sean Chawla. All in favour. The meeting was adjourned.

Peter Somers  
Secretary