2013 APU Annual General Meeting

July 5, 2013

Calgary, AB

1. **Roll Call & Apologies**

*APU Executive Council Present:*

Avi Silverberg, Executive Secretary

James Bartlett, Registration Chairman

Shane Martin, Media Chairman

Mike Armstrong, Records Chairman

*APU Members Present:*

Adrian Locke

Dani Savoie

Carlos Cook

Ben Worsell

Gord Walker

*Apologies*

Kain Lyon, APU President and Officiating Chairman, is sorry that he cannot attend this year’s AGM due to his employment with the Alberta Sherriffs Branch.

1. **President’s Message**

*Written by Kain Lyon, read by Avi Silverberg:*

It is an exciting time in the APU. We are experiencing exceptional growth in members, meet directors and volunteers. I am pleased with all aspects of the organization at this time. I am very regretful that I am unable to attend the 2013 Provincial Annual General Meeting due to my circumstances of employment with the Alberta Sheriffs Branch and I know that the meeting will still be conducted with the utmost efficiency and professionalism typically seen.

This year, in the APU, we should hopefully see the introduction of the APU Hall of fame as is presented for vote by the membership later in the PAGM. Furthermore, we see the continuation of the club team competition pilot program at this year’s provincials. I am very excited to see the outcome for this and all of the competition at this year’s provincials and I will see you all on Saturday!

1. **Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting**

Not available

1. **Treasurer’s Report**

Terry Sharun, Treasurer, did not prepare a report or attend the AGM.

1. **Old Business**

None

1. **New business**

*Add: Hall of Fame*

The APU Shall maintain a Hall of Fame to honor members who have shown exceptional dedication to the Alberta Powerlifting Union in areas including but not limited to:

-Skill in competing within the sport

-Furthering the expansion and growth of powerlifting within Alberta

-Length of time showing unwavering support for the APU

The APU shall award an inductee to the Hall of Fame with an award, to be presented at the Provincials medal ceremonies and mention on the APU website. The APU is not required to select a new inductee every year, instead only giving out said honor when an appropriate candidate is revealed.

After discussion: the APU Executive will bring forth the names of potential candidates and hold a private vote 30 days prior to the Provincial Championships.

Vote: Approved.

1. **Items for Discussion**

*Enhanced criteria for Clubs*

There is a need to create more structure for registered clubs within the APU. The concern is that the clubs don’t ‘give back’ to the APU as a whole. Registered clubs should legitimately seek to grow powerlifting in Alberta. Furthermore, there needs to be a standard of excellence within each club. Possible recommendations include: having a minimum number of club members, mandatory volunteer efforts for club members, and potentially having clubs host competitions.

1. **Future Provincials bids**

None at this time.

1. **Any other business**

Jon Stewart has resigned in his capacity as Vice-President. Since this is not an election year, Kain Lyon has nominated Shane Martin to fulfil the duties of Vice-President until the elections at the 2014 AGM.

1. **Adjournment**

Avi Silverberg thanks everyone for attending the AGM and officially declares the 2013 Provincial Championships open.