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GYRO INTERNATIONAL 2026 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

July 16, 2026, at 9:00 am - Calgary Deerfoot Inn - Midnapore Room

MINUTES

- 1. Invocation and Moment of Silence:** Dunc Mills, 1st Vice President
- 2. Appointment of Committee Chairs:** Ned Barber, President
 - a. Resolutions – Dan Durbin, Past International President, 2023/24
 - b. Rules – Matt Johnson, Past International President, 2018/19
 - c. Nominations – Mike Eisner, Past International President, 2024/25
- 3. Roll Call:** By Alan Pentney - 5 in arrears, 11 absent, 36 present/proxy. Quorum met.
- 4. Standing Rules Governing the Convention:** Matt Johnson
- 5. Minutes of Previous AGM on June 7, 2025:**
 - a. Revised to replace a motion on the Betterment Fund by Dale Woodroffe with Larry Duba. Moved for acceptance by Blacklake Club and seconded by Canton Club. Carried.
- 6. International Officer Comments:**
 - a. President: Ned Barber
 - b. Secretary/Treasurer Report: Alan Pentney
 - c. 1st VP: Dunc Mills
 - d. 2nd VP: Trevor Slaney
 - e. Immediate Past President: Mike Eisner
- 7. Constitution and Bylaws Resolutions:**
 - a. Information only - Board approved a Motion to revise By-Laws to address when a Governor was absent at an AGM given that there are no other District officers.
- 8. Old Business:**
 - a. New District Governors Elected in February 2026 - Alan Pentney
 - JD Dawson, Governor District 1
 - Ted Ewanchuk, Governor District 2
 - Colm Foy, Governor District 3
- 9. 2025-26 Financial Statement and 2026-27 Budget:** Ken Baker
 - With the club per-capita dues remaining at \$70 and membership declining revenue will be lower. In addition, expenses will increase.

- A loss is budgeted for but there are substantial assets to cover it.
- Motion by Winnipeg Club to accept the Statement and Budget. Seconded by Fresno Club. Carried.

10. New Business:

a. Club Survey: Trevor Slaney VP

- Trevor related history on motions failing at AGMs where previous clubs wanted a blanket change in membership for females. Now, the Executive Council is conducting a survey that is different in that individual clubs would be able to have female members without it affecting other clubs with the exception that female members could be elected as a District Governor or other officer position on the EC.
- The process will start immediately with club presidents contacted by a committee member with written material on a survey. The survey would ask Presidents if their club would be in favor of other clubs creating By-Laws to permit an expanded base of members.
- If the survey does not identify any “showstoppers” then the EC could prepare an International By-Law revision to facilitate a membership change at a club through a club By-Law revision and putting that to the clubs for a vote.

b. Betterment Fund Committee Report: Mike Eisner IPIP

- Mike identified that 5 clubs received assistance for membership recruitment totaling \$1,130 US. He announced clubs may now apply for assistance to print membership brochures and encouraged clubs to use funds to promote membership.

c. Future Conventions 2027 and 2028:

- 2027 - Nashville in Late May before NASCAR races. Mike Eisner, Chair, distributed a brochure, and information will be on the website immediately.
- 2028 - Garth Paley identified a venue is being sought for May at an all-inclusive resort in the Caribbean.

d. District Nomenclature:

- Peterborough Club moved that the 3 new Districts be renamed from District 1, District 2, and District 3 to East District, Central District, and West District. Seconded by Winnipeg Club. Carried.

11. Election of Officers - Nominating Committee Chair Mike Eisner

- a. There is no incoming 2nd VP. Moved by Caloosa Club that the following Slate of Officers be elected: Duncan Mills, President and Trevor Slaney, Vice-President. Nanaimo Club seconded the motion. Carried.

12. Awards

- a.** Matt Johnson of the Tacoma Club made a presentation to Trevor Slaney of the Prince George Club acknowledging that the Toronto Blue Jays was a better baseball club than the Seattle Mariners for a moment in time last fall.
- b.** Dan Bliss of the Peterborough Club, on behalf of Marc Dumais of the Victoria Club, presented the “Keep the Fun in Gyro” Plaque to Garth Paley of the Port Colborne Niagara South Club.
- c.** Club Bulletins
 - Small Club: Stampede City - Editor Alan Pentney
 - Medium Club: Sherwood Park - Editor Scott Brisbin
 - Large Club: Calgary - Editor Ken Baker
- d.** Governor Bulletin: Larry Duba Governor District IX
- e.** Club Expansion
 - Small Club: Port Colborne Niagara South
 - Medium Club: Caloosa
 - Large Club: Prince George

13. Motion to Adjourn Made, Seconded. Carried