



AOA President's report to AGM on Nov 4, 2017

My goal for the past 3 years as President: To improve communication at all levels

My goal for the next 3 years as Past President: To focus on education (of officials, coaches, boards)

List of accomplishments in the last year:

- Headed AOA Hiring Committee for AOA Executive Director position – hired Bogi.
- Worked with AOA Treasurer, Marion, from mid-Sept 2016 to mid-January 2017 to do the normal work of the Executive Director (annual Alberta Sport Connection grant reporting, year-end accounting, AOA basic daily business) during the hiring process
- Regular communication with Bogi since she started in mid-January – many face-to-face discussions, lots of emails, 6-month performance review in August
- Exit interview with Pascale Henvey, Dec 7, 2016
- Permissions in K Country:
 - Meeting with Alberta Parks staff for K Country, Dec 1, 2016, to “debrief” issues from COC 2016;
 - CIP grant application for funds for “wildlife research” expenses (grant approved at end of September 2016; report due Jan 11, 2018);
 - liaison with Fiera Biological Consulting re research reporting
- Assisted FWOC's Alberta Orienteering Champs committee, including assistant course planner duties for Long event, Sept 16-17, 2017
- Communications with 2 clubs:
 - EIOC: attended EIOC/AOA Training/Skills camp May 26-28, 2017
 - FWOC: attended most board meetings, FWOC AGM, Propellus meeting June 22, 2017, Board Development Program workshop Oct 13-14, 2017
- Chaired AOA meetings, including AGM and 10 Board meetings (including 2 face-to-face meetings in Red Deer)
- Attended other meetings: Orienteering Canada's AGM and conference Aug 2017, OC's LTAD committee meetings, Calgary Outdoor Literacy Network, ORCA, Alberta Sport Connection's LTAD lunch webinars (promoting positive parenting in sport – 3 sessions; LTAD implementation; Physical Literacy)
- Attended 2 workshops by Sport for Life Cochrane: LTAD implementation (Vicki Harber) Dec 7, 2016 and Conflict Management May 13, 2017
- Attended Board Leadership Calgary conference Oct 21, 2017
- Chaired Orienteering Canada's Sass Peepre Junior Development Committee; in particular, overseeing that committee's multi-year project to create an Athlete Development Matrix and organizing the annual Sass Peepre Junior Training Camp in the Laurentians in July 2017.

Things to work on as Past President:

- Mentor/assist new AOA President
- Update AOA Policy & Procedures Manual
- Create AOA Board Orientation Handbook and collect AOA Board job descriptions

HUGE thanks to this year's AOA Board members! And a BIG thank you to Bogi for her energy, fresh ideas, and commitment to orienteering in Alberta! It was a great pleasure to work with you all!

Kitty Jones, AOA President (third year of 3-year term)