

## Minutes 2025 CRYA AGM

1. Meeting was held online using Jitsi meeting software on Saturday November 22 2025. Attending were 15 participants: Gary Bugden, Bob Lewis, Allan Oliver, Art Prufer, Blake Moran, Dave Cunningham, Don McDermaid, Graham Clarke, Jim Goddard, Mike Ingham, Paul Hepburn, Paul Penna, Colin Aldridge, Brian Harrison and Michael Kidd.
2. It was noted that the full quorum of 20 was not required for this meeting as it was the second attempt, the first held on November 15 failing to reach a quorum.
3. No errors or omissions from the 2024 AGM minutes were brought forward.
4. There was no unfinished business from last AGM.
5. Bob Lewis presented the 2024 financial statements. The motion to accept the report was moved by Bob Lewis, seconded by Don McDermaid and passed unanimously.
6. Reports of other Officers.  
The registrar, Allan Oliver, spoke on work to improve the database. There are currently 257 members. There was some discussion on benefits of membership, methods to increase membership and if growth was actually necessary. Benefits of membership include liability insurance , organized sail numbers and the ability to attend world or other national regattas. It was generally agreed that growth was necessary for the ongoing health of the organization. Suggested methods to increase membership discussed included requiring membership cards to be shown at National and Regional events and having local clubs collect CRYA dues. The motion to accept the report was moved by Allan Oliver, seconded by Dave Cunningham and passed unanimously.
7. Election of Officers/Directors – no election - bylaws specify that officer elections are only held after odd number fiscal years.
8. Motion to **not** have public accountant:  
*Resolved that pursuant to section 182(1) of the Canada Not-for-profit Act, the Association will not appoint a public accountant for the current year.*  
*Moved: Bob Lewis. Seconded: Allan Oliver.*  
Motion was passed.
9. Bylaw Amendment #1

*Proposed by Bob Lewis*  
*Seconded by Allan Oliver*

Whereas the quorum for Directors meeting is 7 directors and this number is difficult to reach, it is proposed to reduce this to 4 members so that meetings are more likely to succeed. Currently we only have 7 keen active directors (Gunther Yip and David Allsebrook would like to resign as directors) which makes it hard to make quorum.

***Resolved that Bylaw 10.2 is amended to read as follows:***

***10.2. The quorum for any decision of the Board shall consist of ~~four~~ five members.***

A motion to amend the resolution to read **five members instead of four** was moved by Art Prufer, seconded by Blake Moran and passed unanimously. The amended resolution was then passed.

10. Bylaw Amendment #2

*Proposed by Bob Lewis  
Seconded by Allan Oliver*

Whereas the signing officers are currently restricted to the President, Secretary and Treasurer, this is felt to be too restrictive and prevents the Registrar from checking membership payments. The proposal is to allow the Board to name additional signing officers as follows.

***Resolved that, Bylaw 6.4 is amended to read as follows:***

***6.4 The President, Secretary, Treasurer and any other Directors approved by the Board shall be the Association's signing officers.***

After some discussion the amendment was passed.

11. Q & A to the executive and limited general discussion.

Blake Moran outlined a multi-class regatta to be held next September.

12. Don McDermaid moved for adjournment.

*Respectfully submitted Gary Bugden, Secretary CRYA*