

Here is the Job description:

· The Athlete Representative (AR) is an elected representative of the National Team and the foundational mechanism for direct athlete feedback to the organization.
· The purpose of the AR is to represent and promote the views and interests of the various national team athletes of Canada Snowboard to Canada Snowboard's Board of Directors and management on all issues which directly or indirectly affect athletes at the high-performance level.
· The AR will represent the voice of Canada Snowboard's high performance athletes within his or her scope of authority (ie. full spectrum of disciplines, discipline specific, gender specific, team specific, etc.) and will assist the organization in its fulfillment of its mission and the pursuit of an athlete-centered sport environment.
· Representatives shall not take stands on issues or represent themselves as the AR in areas of personal interest having no connection with official AR responsibilities. An AR shall ensure that the views, comments and opinions of their teammates are communicated as appropriate.
KEY DUTIES
· Participate in decision making processes as a member of the Board of Directors (the "Board"), and various standing / ad hoc committees (including but not limited to HP Committee, Sport Development Committee, Finance Committee, etc.) where applicable;
· Ensure to the greatest extent possible that Canada Snowboard's policies and programs meet the needs of athletes;
· Provide athlete representation to the Board of Canada Snowboard where applicable;
· Provide input prior to approval on key documents/policies/topics directly affecting athletes including but not limited to Athlete Agreements, Team Selection, AAP Nomination Criteria, High Performance training and competition plans, Own the Podium, coaching, etc.;
· Solicit and present athletes' views and positions to any relevant decision-making body on issues identified by the athletes as affecting athlete performance;
· Represent Canada Snowboard and athlete interests at meetings and events;
· Contribute content to Canada Snowboard communications for consideration;
· Provide athlete representation to the Annual General Meeting (AGM) and any Special General Meeting of Canada Snowboard with the support of Canada Snowboard;

· Provide a forum in which athletes may share and develop information or ideas as they relate to national, development and NextGen team athletes with the support of the Canada Snowboard;
· Build leadership succession and skills within the athlete community as a whole and within Canada Snowboard with the support of Canada Snowboard;
· To name representatives as requested by Canada Snowboard and other bodies for activities where athlete representation is an integral element. i.e. High Performance Committee;
· To attend the AthletesCAN Forum annually or identify an appropriate proxy if unable;
· Recommend Athlete Representation, where appropriate, to external agencies including but not limited to the AthletesCAN Board of Directors, Canadian Olympic Committee Athletes' Commission and Canadian Paralympic Committee Athletes' Council when possible.
· Maintain regular communication with the general athlete body with the support of Canada Snowboard, especially during key dates in Canada Snowboard calendar, including Team Selections, Trials/Qualifying Events, National Championships, World Championships, Major Games, Board Meetings, AGM, AthletesCAN Forum, AAP Carding Nominations, Appeal Deadlines, Funding Grant/Bursary Application Deadlines and the development and release of Team Selection/AAP Carding Criteria and Athlete Agreements.
OBJECTIVES / DELIVERABLES
· Review, revise or develop and disseminate an annual survey to national team athletes to solicit feedback on various aspects of the athlete experience in order to guide and inform AR strategies and recommendations.
· Provide an annual Athlete Report to Canada Snowboard management/Board.
· Provide and up to date Athlete Handbook
REPORTING
· AR with seat on Canada Snowboard Board will give AC reports at board meetings.