

MINUTES
of the
BADMINTON OCEANIA CONFEDERATION
32nd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
held at
Wanda Nanning Vista Hotel, Nanning, China

11:00am on Wednesday 22nd May 2019

1. Roll Call of Officers and Delegates and Apologies

Geraldine Brown (President and Chair), Nigel Skelt (Deputy President), Julie Carrel (Secretary General), Nadia Bleaken (Development Manager), Lynne Nixey (Administration Manager), Loke Poh Wong (Executive Board Member - AUS), Johanna Kou (Executive Board Member – NCL), Glenn Cox (Executive Board Member – NZL), Leody Vainikolo (Executive Board Member – TGA), Ngaoa Ranginui (Executive Board Member – COK), Andrew Greenway (Delegate – AUS), Joe Hitchcock (Delegate – NZL), Ian Willans (Delegate – NZL), Nynette Sass (Delegate – SAM), Kinivanagi Karo (Delegate – PNG), Leo Cucuel (Delegate – TAH), Diony Tundag (Delegate – TGA), Makiroa Mataio (Delegate – COK), Charles Meke (Delegate – SOL), Sandra Low (Delegate – GUM)

Geraldine Brown moved that speaking rights be extended to Badminton Oceania staff and to any observers.

Agreed by consensus

Apologies received from Heather Robson (Life Member– NZ), Robin Bryant (Life Member – AUS) and Fiji Badminton

MOVED: Nigel Skelt **SECONDED:** Ian Willans
"THAT the apologies be accepted". Carried unanimously

2. Opening remarks from the Chair

Geraldine Brown welcomed all to the 32nd Annual General Meeting of Badminton Oceania.

10 out of 16 Oceania member countries are represented.

A special welcome to our new member – Solomon Islands.

This is the 3rd time the AGM has been held in conjunction with the BWF AGM and Forum.

Full Presidents report is in the Annual Report.

Geraldine commended the staff on the production of the Annual Report.

Geraldine spoke to her report and noted that the Commonwealth Games were very successful. Youth Olympic Games – three players / three countries / three medals. Para-Badminton events – also very successful and we will be working hard to get our athletes to Tokyo.

Our Development programs and the addition of new staff members made for a very successful year.

Confirmation of Voting rights

Executive Board Members	one vote each
Member countries in attendance	one vote each

Executive Board members cannot place an Executive board vote and a country vote

3. Confirmation of minutes of Annual General Meeting held on 17th May 2018

MOVED: Glenn Cox **SECONDED:** Nigel Skelt

“THAT the minutes of the 2018 AGM be received and adopted as a true and accurate record of the meeting”.

Carried unanimously

4. Matters Arising

All action items from the Annual General Meeting were completed.

5. Annual Report and Audited Statement of Accounts

Geraldine spoke to her report during her opening remarks.

Julie Carrel presented financial statements as follows:

Actual 2018 spending v Budget 2018 spending

It should be noted that we receive our funding from the BWF in USD, we convert to NZD when the money is received.

Payments are made in NZD which are then converted to USD for reporting back to the BWF.

Nigel Skelt noted that 80-85% of our funding is received from the BWF and we are very much dependent on them. We have very few other revenue streams available.

Ian Willans asked if other confederations also had such high reliance from the BWF. Although we are unsure of the actuals, it was suggested that Europe and Asia are not as highly dependent on BWF funding as Oceania, Pan Am and Africa as they both receive significant revenue from events and betting.

There is no suggestion from the BWF that they are looking for BOC to become self-sustainable.

Nynette Sass thanked BOC for the assistance and support provided to the member countries. She also noted that member countries need to build from their base up and not get too far ahead of themselves. Papua New Guinea fully agreed with this.

Ratification of 2019 Budget.

This budget has already been approved by the Executive Board.

Points to note:

There is a significant increase in the PSP income and expenditure as BOC are now administering this programme which is run in conjunction with GHD on behalf of the Australian Government delivering programmes in Papua New Guinea and Tonga

Julie explained other increases and decreases throughout the budget compared to actuals from 2018.

Currently budgeted for a \$13,000 loss for 2019. This is not of a concern to the Executive Board as they feel that we will be able to overcome this during the year both due to exchange rate fluctuations and

Approval of Annual Report, Statement of Accounts and Ratification of 2019 Budget

MOVED: Kinivanagi Karo **SECONDED:** Andrew Greenway
"THAT the Annual Report of 2018 be received".
Carried unanimously

MOVED: Andrew Greenway **SECONDED:** Nynette Sass
"THAT the Financial Statements of 2018 be received".
Carried unanimously

MOVED by consensus
"THAT the 2019 budget be ratified".
Carried unanimously

6: Constitutional Amendments
Nil received

7: Election of Office Bearers

BWF Vice President - Oceania

Geraldine Brown was the only nominee for the position of BWF Vice-President – Oceania and was duly elected as such for a four year term.

8. Appointment of Auditor

David Turner & Associates

MOVED: Joe Hitchcock **SECONDED:** Leody Vainikolo
"THAT David Turner & Associates be re-appointed as the Auditors for Badminton Oceania".
Carried unanimously

10. Other Business

Charles Meke asked if there should be a signed audit letter from the Auditor included in the Annual Report. This is held by BOC and we will look to include this next year.

Annual General Meeting 2020

The BWF Annual General Meeting for next year is in Denmark.

The Executive Board discussed the cost of sending the Executive Board and staff to a BOC AGM held in conjunction with this AGM and felt that because of costs, the BOC AGM for 2020 would be held in Ballarat alongside the Oceania Championships.

The Executive Board will look at the subsidy offered to countries for delegates to attend the AGM in Ballarat.

It was reiterated that we definitely want our AGM to be aligned with the BWF AGM but we do struggle with the expense for the Board/Staff; particularly when it is held in Europe
Ian Willans endorsed the decision of the Board.

Air Badminton

Air Badminton was launched by the BWF last week.

This will be promoted this week during the AGM. We feel that this will be very well received particularly in the Pacific Islands

Presentation of an OSFO Merit Award was made to Geraldine Brown by Stuart Borrie from the BWF. This is in recognition of distinguished service to sport in the Oceania region.

Meeting closed at. 11:59am

President

Badminton Oceania

Date

Secretary General

Badminton Oceania

Date

ACTIONS FROM 2019 AGM:

Topic	Action	Responsibility
Subsidy for countries to attend AGM	Executive Board to discuss increase in subsidy available	Secretary General
Signed letter from Auditor to be included in Annual Report	Include signed letter in Annual Report in future	Administration Manager