

MINUTES
of the
BADMINTON OCEANIA
TECHNICAL OFFICIALS MEETING
held via Zoom
7:30pm – Monday 17th July 2023

Present: Julie Carrel (JC), Peter Cocker (PC), David Turner (DT), Jean-Philippe Berges (JP), Trish Gubb (TG), Lynne Nixey (LN)

Apologies: Loke Poh Wong (President), Greg Vellacott

Meeting commenced at 7:31pm

Peter welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Minutes of meeting held 18th November 2022

The minutes of the meeting held 18th November 2022 were presented and approved.

*Moved: David Turner Seconded: Trish Gubb
Agreed*

Matters arising from the minutes:

Junior Umpire Award – Julie to follow up with Susan Taylor and update via email. Northern Marianas and Tahiti have both been delivering.

Stephanie Ho is keen to re-activate as a Referee and has been appointed Deputy at both Bendigo and Sydney Internationals.

David Turner – suggestion for Appraisal process. Would like to integrate it with assessment document. The assessment document needs to be reviewed and would like to update this to show 'Competent' / 'Non-Competent' and 'Working on It'. Suggest a 360 appraisal type review but without scores. David will send through an updated assessment and appraisal document.

Assessments:

Stephen Bowden (NZL – LJ) Deferred to 2024

Vicky Zheng (AUS – Umpire) Deferred to 2024 or when she feels she is competent enough for BOC

Sandra David (AUS – REF) – appraised and passed BOC Certification

LJ's – 8 people from Australia to be assessed at the ABO 2023.

Trish will also assist with LJ Assessment along with Julie / Sandra and Karen Arnold

All NZ International tournaments have been cancelled for this year.

Northern Marianas tournaments were very successful and are looking to be holding these again in 2024.

Umpire feedback sheet – this was sent to all BOTOC members and received good feedback, to now be finalised. Discussion was held regarding whether there is a requirement for a LJ sheet. Agreement that perhaps a simplified version for LJ's would be a good idea as we currently get no feedback from LJ's. Lynne to develop this and send to all BOTOC members for approval.



Further discussion was held regarding the appointment of TOC Chairs from NZ and Australia to BOTOC. It was agreed that this was a good idea and would replace the current nominated persons from NZ and Australia. This is to be further investigated and discussed with the Chairs of NZ and Australia and needs to be finalised before the next nominations due in September 2024. BOC Office to follow up.

Training

Online workshop – scheduled for later in the year – tentative date – Sunday 26th November.
David to look to put together an agenda for this.

Pacific training is lagging so there is a need to look at this and gear up for the 2nd half of the year. JC to lead this

Training will be held at VOPBC and WAPBI in Perth. Ongoing training to be held in Bendigo and Sydney where there will be experienced working with less experienced Umpires

Assessments

Vic Kim and Holly Cho (NZL) – assessment at Bendigo International for BOC Accredited Umpire – Susan Taylor assessor

Sheehan Lim (AUS) – assessment at ABO for BOC Certificated Umpire – Trish Gubb assessor

Eugene Glazman (AUS) – assessment at Bendigo International for BOC Accredited Referee – Julie Carrel assessor

8 LJ's (AUS) – assessment at ABO for BOC Line Judge – Julie Carrel / Sandra David / Karen Arnold / Trish Gubb – assessment team

Assessments were held for Line Judges at Northern Marianas Internationals for both Pacific Accredited and Certificated Line Judges.

BWF Grants

Grants were received for Referee development (for Eugene)
Umpires – two different grants were received.

Umpire Development – For 2024 assessment as BWF

Umpire Special Grant – For 2025 assessment as BWF

2024 was for Joshua and 2025 for Cynthia. Subsequently have made a change to this so that Cynthia would be assessed in 2024 and Joshua in 2025. This is primarily because of a gender issue related to Olympic appointments

The plan to send Stephanie and Eugene in 2025 for BWF Referee assessment.
Stephanie will need to be assessed for Certification in 2024

Report on Referee Assessors Workshop

Referee Assessors Workshop was attended by Julie Carrel and a report was presented to the meeting. BOC is struggling to give Referees opportunities due to a lack of tournaments in the region. Workshop has very good potential for the future, and this was a good start.

Website

LN to ascertain who is still active – email to BATOC to check who is still active. Remove Pacific LJ's that we believe are inactive.

TOC Meeting

Will be held in Denmark during the World Championships. PC has minutes from Umpires assessor meeting and minutes from Referee assessors' workshop. Meeting will be extended to 3 days. If anyone



has anything to include on agenda, please forward this to the BOC office so that when Peter calls for items these will be available.

Rules

Spin serve has been banned by the BWF until after the Olympics when it will be re-considered.

Code of Conduct around TO's at appointed events

A new Code of Conduct has been distributed to everyone. This will be sent to all Oceania TO's to sign, and we keep on file. It will also be sent to any TO for who we have provided a subsidy to an event. This should be included in the Referee Umpire briefing presentation This will only need to be signed once and then Officials will be reminded that they will be acting under the policy. The Disciplinary policy which is referred to in the document is currently being finalised by the Executive Board.

General Business

The TO Clothing Policy is due for renewal and will be sent out to the Committee for comments.

Recommended by JC that the Oceania TO subsidy amount is reviewed. The information will be sent out to the Committee for discussion and feedback. This is to be balanced between being fair and the BOC budget available.

Development program will continue next year. A review of the programme will be carried out in 2024 to determine the benefits. A suggestion of further criteria to be added to this including the number of events that they are to commit to. A ROW form to be sent to these Umpires at the end of this year.

Oceania Champs for 2024 has not been confirmed but will likely be in Australia.

JC received very good feedback from a tournament in NZL with regards to Richard Bramley's ability as a teacher for Umpire Courses.

A reminder that when we are running Umpire Courses to include information about the LJ pathway as those who want to go on to be a BWF LJ must hold a National level Umpire qualification. Need to encourage LJ's as we will need to be re-nominating LJs for the next BWF cycle next year. BOC Office to send a reminder to the country TO Committees regarding the pathway.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 31st October – 7:30pm (NZT) - Halloween costumes required
Face to face meeting at ABO in 2024

Meeting concluded: 8:26pm



Action Item	Who to Action	By
Online Umpires Workshop	Umpire Assessment Panel	Sunday 26 th November
Appraisal process suggestions	David Turner	End of August
Junior Umpire Award to be followed up with Susan Taylor	Julie Carrel	End of August
Umpire Feedback Sheet – to be finalised	Lynne Nixey	End of August
LJ Feedback Sheet – draft to be written	Lynne Nixey	End of July
NZ TOC and BA TOC Chairs – to be asked re a position on BOTOC	BOC Office	To report at next meeting – 31 st October
Update Website LJ Names	Lynne Nixey	End of August
Suggestions for Agenda for BWF TOC Meeting	Everyone	Send to BOC Office by 31 July
Code of Conduct – Non-Players. To be distributed to all TO's	BOC Office	When Disciplinary Policy is finalised
Update Oceania Referee Umpire Briefing presentation to include Code of Conduct info	Julie Carrel/Lynne Nixey	End of July
TO Clothing policy to be sent for comments	BOC Office	By end of July
TO Subsidy amount to be relooked at	BOC Office	Info to be sent to BOTOC by end of July
Reminder re TO pathways to be sent to country TO committees	BOC Office	By end of July
Pacific Training	Julie Carrel	By end of year

