MINUTES OF THE 6TH ALA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD BY TELECONFERENCE ON 25th NOVEMBER 2013



Noted a Quorum of members to commence the meeting, 8:05pm.

1.	Welcome
	Mike Slattery, ALA President, welcomed the Member Association Presidents from 5 of the 6 member states. With the noted apology from Tasmania.
2.	Present and Apologies
	Present Member Associations
	Lacrosse Victoria – Tim Fry Lacrosse South Australia - Bob Hewitson Lacrosse Western Australia – Peter Cann Queensland Lacrosse Association – Brendan Lewer New South Wales Lacrosse - Tim Koodrin.
	ALA Directors
	Mike Slattery, Vivienne Parker-White, Janet Jackson, Paul Mollison, Graham Sharpe, Glenn Morley.
	Observers
	Alisha Napolitano – ALA Executive Assistant (Minutes), Kirrilee Hay – ALA Marketing Assistant, Andrew McTaggart – LWA Vice President.
	Apologies
	Callum Gorringe – Lacrosse Tasmania, Kim Williams - Australian Sports Commission, Megan Lyons – Rankin and Young.
3.	Confirmation of Voting Members and explanation of meeting format
	Mike Slattery explained that the agenda is fixed as published.
	Total votes at the meeting are: LV 4, LSA 4, LWA 4, NSW 2, QLA 2. Member Associations are the only voting members and Directors and other guests (i.e. ASC and Auditors) are observers.
	In order for any motion during the AGM to be passed it would require a simple majority.
	It was noted that there was a quorum in attendance.
	It was noted that ALA Directors do not have a vote at an Annual General Meeting, but do have the right to debate. Observers do not have the right of speech, unless recognised by the Chair, nor to vote. The meeting was recorded and was conducted according to the ALA Constitution.
4.	Confirmation of 5th Annual General Meeting Minutes
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	This meeting was held on 26 November 2012 and no corrections were recorded. MOTION: Confirmation and acceptance of 5 th AGM Minutes as provided in Attachment 1. MOVED: Tim Fry (LV) SECONDED: Bob Hewitson (LSA) CARRIED. (LWA Abstained as were not present at the 2012 meeting).
5.	Presentation of Reports
5.1	Annual Report
	The interim 2013 Annual Report has been circulated and updates have been received.
	Alisha to receive results for National Tournaments as listed, target COB Wed 27 th November. The Annual Report is to be published by 30 th November.
	Report is to be published by 50 Movember.

5.2 6.	ALA Financial Report Accounts produced through a Chartered firm, Rick Hartnett & Associates. Material has been provided to all in attendance. The ALA Financial Report and Audit, as prepared by Rankin and Young was put to attendees. MOTION: That the ALA Financial Statement for the year ended 30 June 2013 be accepted. MOVED: Brendan Lewer (QLA) SECONDED: Tim Fry (LV). CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Vivienne Parker-White acknowledged that the cost of producing the reports had been reduced and the service and professionalism of the firm has been appreciated. Election of Directors Confirmation of Nominees with ALA Director Nominee-Support Document and CV have been circulated to Member Associations. Mike advised that there are two (2) ALA Director positions open for election, and that there have been two (2) nominations received. ALA, having followed the required and due process for ALA elections according to the ALA Constitution.
	Retiring directors are Janet Jackson and Graham Sharpe and they have both nominated again for the vacant positions. NSWLI proposed the election of Janet Jackson and LV seconded the proposal. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY LWA proposed the election of Graham Sharpe and QLA seconded the proposal. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY Mike welcomed Janet and Graham back to the Board.
7.	Special Business
7.1	Proposed changes to the ALA Constitution were distributed to Member Associations along with rationale and supporting ASC documentation, being Attachment 3 to the Agenda, within the required timeline. Member Associations were provided with a documented notification of the proposals to amend the ALA Constitution through 12 Motions. As there were no questions raised the meeting moved to the motions as circulated.
7.2	MOTION 1: Page 13, Point 11.6 Life Members (3), first line – delete 'who'.
7.2	MOVED: Tim Fry (LV) SECONDED: Bob Hewitson (LSA) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
7.3	MOTION 2: Add a new point 21.1 (1), being the words shown in italics & underlined - 21.1. (1) <u>Each Member Association, being a State Association as outlined in Point 11.3 Voting Members, of the ALA shall be entitled to one (1) vote. That the existing 21.1(1) then becomes 21.1(2). MOVED: Tim Fry (LV) SECONDED: Peter Cann (LWA). CARRIED, with 1 opposed (LSA).</u>
7.4	MOTION 3: Remove from the existing Point 21.1 Voting Rights (1) the words shown in italics & underlined - Unless and until otherwise determined by the Board, in all General Meetings only Voting Members shall have the right to vote, via their appointed Delegate. Each Delegate for a State Association shall be entitled to vote at General Meetings <u>calculated in accord with the following</u> MOVED: Tim Fry (LV) SECONDED: Brendan Lewer (QLA). CARRIED, with 1 abstention (LSA).
7.5	MOTION 4: Remove 21.1 Voting Rights (1) 1, 2, 3 and 4. MOVED: Tim Fry (LV) SECONDED: Peter Cann (LWA). CARRIED, with 1 abstention (LSA).
7.6	MOTION 5: Remove from 21.1 Voting Rights (1) the paragraph shown in italics & underlined – <u>Where a member state is represented by a separate body controlling men's and women's lacrosse the votes at the General Meeting shall be apportioned to the body controlling that section of lacrosse in the same manner as <u>above</u>. MOVED: Tim Fry (LV) SECONDED: Brendan Lewer (QLA). CARRIED, with 1 abstention (LSA).</u>
7.7	MOTION 6: Add to Point 22.2 Composition of Board (c) the words shown in italics & underlined - A Director shall not be a member of the Board of Management or any Committee of a Voting Member <u>nor a Club of a Voting Member</u> nor an employee or office holder of any Voting Member. MOVED: Bob Hewitson (LSA) SECONDED: Brendan Lewer (QLA). CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

7.8	MOTION 7: Add to Point 22.3 Appointment of Independent Directors the words shown in italics & underlined -
	(b) The independent Directors, <u>sought and appointed</u> , may have specific skills in commerce, finance, marketing, law or business generally, or such other skills which complement the Board composition, but need not have experience in or exposure to the sport of lacrosse. They do not need to be members of the Association.
	(c) Independent Directors, <u>sought and appointed</u> , shall hold office for such term as is determined by the Directors appointing them, but in any event for a maximum of two (2) years.
7.0	MOVED: Tim Koodrin (NSWLI) SECONDED: Tim Fry (LV). CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
7.9	MOTION 8: Add to Point 24.1 Election of the Board (2) the words shown in italics & underlined — (a) made in writing, signed by any Voting Member and accompanied by the written consent of the nominee (which may be endorsed on the form of nomination) and to be accompanied by information as directed in the nomination process. MOVED: Bob Hewitson (LSA) SECONDED: Peter Cann (LWA). CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
7.10	MOTION 9: Add new item to replace existing 24.1 (4) "All nominations received shall be submitted to the ALA Nomination Committee who will determine the appropriateness of all nominations in relation to the current skill set of the Board and according to the terms of reference of that Committee as set by the Board."
	MOVED: Tim Fry (LV) SECONDED: Peter Cann (LWA). CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. If Motion 9 is adopted then the existing point 24.1 (4) becomes (5), the existing (5) becomes (6) and the existing (6) becomes (7). Also Nominations Committee to be added to the "Definitions".
7.11	MOTION 10: From 24.1 (3) delete the words shown in italics & underlined –
	<u>"All nominations received shall be required to undergo a due election process."</u> [24.1 (3) Retain – "Positions not filled shall be appointed by the Board as per Clause 22.4 until the next AGM.]
	MOVED: Tim Fry (LV) SECONDED: Bob Hewitson (LSA). CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
7.12	MOTION 11: Re-Numbered 24.1 (4) to be (5) add the words shown in italics & underlined – If the number of nominations <u>accepted and presented by the Nomination Committee for the purpose of the election process</u> exceeds the number of vacancies to be filled, an election must take place at the Annual
	General Meeting. No further nominations may be received at the Annual General Meeting. MOVED: Brendan Lewer (QLA) SECONDED: Bob Hewitson (LSA). CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
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7.13	MOTION 12: Existing Point 34 Indemnity to become Point 34 Indemnity and Insurance. Add NEW point 34 1. (iii) "ALA will ensure that any person who has been, is presently or a future Director or secretary, employee or Trustee of ALA is appropriately covered by indemnity insurance. Such cover to be instigated, maintained and or renewed as deemed fit by the Board out of the funds of ALA." MOVED: Tim Fry (LV) SECONDED: Bob Hewitson (LSA). CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
8.	Close of Meeting
	Formal thanks were extended to everyone for their attendance. Meeting Closed at 8.55pm.