MINUTES OF A SQUASH AUSTRALIA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

HELD AT SPORTS HOUSE, BRISBANE SUNDAY 25 MARCH 2007

Present:

Squash Australia Board

John Holland President

Sarah Fitz-Gerald Vice President (Female)
Richard Best Vice President (Male)

Steve Derbyshire Director Carol Kawaljenko Director

Member Delegates

Ms Vena Murray General Manager, Squash ACT

Mr Marcus Smith
Ms Carin Clonda
Mr Bob Dubois
Mr Matthew Benjamin
Mr Peter Saxby
Ms Jan Millar
Mr Chris Doig
Mr Steve Armitage
President, Squash ACT
Director, NSW Squash
President, NSW Squash
Director, NSW Squash
President, Squash Tasmania
President, Squash NT

Mr Steve Armitage President, Squash N Mr Kim Schramm CEO, Q Squash

Mr Phil Sinnot General Manager, Squash SA

Mr Ian Kent President, VSF

Mr Paul Vear Executive Director, VSF Mr Stephen Bowen President, WA Squash

Life Members

Mr Bob Finch Mr Ken Watson

Squash Australia Staff

Mr Gary O'Donnell Chief Executive Officer

Ms Bridget Harris Finance and Administration Officer

Mr Greg Hutchings National Technical Manager
Mr John Small National Refereeing Manager
Mr Jeff Wollstein National Coaching Manager

Observers

Ms Sandie Davis Women's Committee

Ms Kirsty Groves Women's Committee / Director, Squash SA

Ms Vicki Cardwell Women's Committee

ITEM ONE: OPENING BY THE CHAIRMAN

1. The Chairman opened the meeting at 9.35am and welcomed all attendees.

ITEM TWO: APOLOGIES

2. The following apologies were received:

John Cameron Life Member Col Clapper Life Member

Ray Strachan Staff Andrew Dent Staff

ITEM THREE: PREVIOUS MINUTES

3. The previous minutes were confirmed. Moved Richard Best Seconded Kim Schramm

Carried

ITEM FOUR: MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

4. There were no matters arising from the previous minutes.

ITEM FIVE: NOTICES OF MOTION

5. ITEM A: Proposed by Squash Australia to amend the Articles of Association

6. MOTION 1

The following amendments are put to the meeting:

Add to Clause 7.3 'and' between 'Office Bearers' & 'Directors'

Delete from Clause 7.3 'and Selectors' after 'Directors'.

Delete Clauses 13.1a & 13.1b and inset a new Clause 13.1

13.1 The Board will appoint a National Selectors advisory committee to be responsible for making recommendations for athlete selection into national teams and the ranking of athletes nationally and related matters as requested by the Board. Appointment onto the National Selectors committee will be in accordance with Regulation - National Selectors as amended from time to time.

Moved

Steve Armitage

Seconded Kim Schramm

Carried

7. ITEM B: Proposed by NSW Squash

8. MOTION 1

That the current method of determining the annual subscriptions (affiliation fees) based upon state and territory populations be discarded and that a more equitable formula be determined.

Moved

Steve Bowen

Seconded Marcus Smith

9. A motion to amend the motion was received as follows:

MOTION 1 AMENDMENT

That a working party comprising representatives from each state and Territory be established to formulate a new affiliation fee structure by 01 October 2007.

The amended motion was accepted by the mover and seconder and put to the meeting.

Moved Seconded

NSW

Steve Bowen Marcus Smith

Carried

10. MOTION 2

That, in the meantime, the affiliation fees for 2007 be paid in the following proportions:

		Proposal
		%
(a)	the largest 3 states to pay 77.60 % of the fees in the	
	following equal proportions: NSW	25.87
	Victoria	25.87
	Queensland	<u>25.86</u>
		77.60
(b)	remaining states and territories to pay 22.40% of the fees	
	in the following proportions: WA	9.90
	SA	7.54
	Tas	2.39
	ACT	1.59
	NT	0.98
		22.40

Moved Bob Dubois Seconded Kim Schramm 11. A motion to amend the motion was received as follows:

MOTION 2 AMENDMENTS

That the affiliation fees be paid in the amounts and proportions as detailed in the Squash Australia 2007 Affiliation Fees Memorandum of Understanding referred to in Item Twelve. That Squash Australia pays NSW Squash a grant payment of \$8622 for NSW Squash Junior Development for 2007.

The amended motion was accepted by the mover and seconder and put to the meeting.

Moved Seconded **Bob Dubois** Kim Schramm

Carried

12. MOTION 3

Withdrawn by NSW Squash

13. ITEM C: Proposed by Squash Australia

14. MOTION 1

That the Squash Australia Board pursues the establishment of a Trust, the "Squash Australia Foundation Trust". The broad parameters of the Trust at creation are to:

- Be a legal entity, Company Limited by Guarantee.
- Raise funds for the advancement of the Sport of Squash.
- Seek Tax Deductibility Status for donations made to the Trust.
- Seek Income Tax exempt status for the Trust.
- The Board of Squash Australia or a subset of the Board of no less than three members be the initial Trustees.

The Board to report to the Members by September 30, 2007 on the progress of establishment of the Trust. Moved Kim Schramm

Seconded

Marcus Smith

Carried

ITEM SIX: PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- 15. The President gave his Annual Report (Full report in the 2006 Squash Australia Annual Report given to all attendees).
- 16. It was moved that the President's Report be accepted.

Moved Seconded Steve Armitage Marcus Smith

Carried

ITEM SEVEN: FINANCIAL REPORT

17. The company recorded a surplus of \$48,500 for the 2006 financial year. It was moved that the audited financial report for 2006 be accepted.

Moved

Kim Schramm

Seconded Marcus Smith

Carried

The members requested a copy of the 2007 budget be sent to each member.

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ITEM EIGHT: ELECTION OF OFFICERS

- 18. Squash Australia had called for nominations for the following Board appointments:
 - a. Vice President (Male)
 - b. Director

Nominations

- 19. As at the closing date the following nominations had been received by Squash Australia for Vice President (Male):
 - 1) Mr Richard Best (NSW)

- 20. Mr Richard Best was re-elected as Vice President (Male) Squash Australia, unopposed.
- 21. As at the closing date the following nominations had been received by Squash Australia for Director:
 - 1) Mrs Carol Kawaljenko (NT)
- 22. Mrs Carol Kawaljenko was re-elected as Director Squash Australia, unopposed.

ITEM NINE: CONFIRMATION OF AUDITOR

23. The meeting confirmed Mr Bevin Schafferius, Level 5, 99 Creek St, Brisbane Qld 4000 as the company auditor.

Moved Steve Derbyshire

Seconded Ian Kent Carried

ITEM TEN: CONFIRMATION OF PATRON

24. The CEO briefed the meeting that Mr Chris Dittmar had agreed to continue in the role of Patron for 2007, meeting accepted.

Moved
Steve Armitage
Seconded
Kim Schramm

Carried

ITEM ELEVEN: ELECTION OF SELECTION COMMITTEES

25. The election of selection committees was not necessary following the motion passed at clause six.

ITEM TWELVE: CONFIRMATION OF AFFILIATION FEES

26. The CEO advised the meeting that all members had signed the Memorandum of Understanding regarding the Affiliation Fees for 2007 except for Squash NSW who confirmed they are now in agreement.

Moved Bob Dubois

Seconded Marcus Smith

Carried

ITEM THIRTEEN: OTHER BUSINESS

Life Membership

27. The CEO advised the meeting that all members had notified their in principal agreement to the recommendation of the Board that Margaret Zachariah and Ken Watson be awarded Life Membership of Squash Australia at the Squash Australia Hall of Fame Dinner 24 March 2007. It was moved that the recommendations be accepted. Moved Kim Schramm

Seconded

Rim Schramn Bob Dubois Carried

Vale Vic Belshum

28. The meeting observed one minutes silence in memory of Vic Belshum who passed away 4 June 2006.

ITEM FOURTEEN: MEETING CLOSURE AND ARRANGEMENT FOR THE NEXT MEETING

29. The President declared the meeting closed at 10.40am. Details of the 2008 Annual General Meeting will be advised to Members by email.

John Holland Chairman Gary O'Donnell

CEO