Q Squash Skype Meeting commenced at 6.10pm December 2012.

Attendance – Ros Preston, Sandra Rowcliffe, Alec MacDonald and Larry Rauschenbach (commenced on skype, went to phone and then phone dropped out so didn't finish the meeting)

Apologies – Darryl Hearn

The minutes of the previous meeting had been previously circulated and all decided that they didn't need to be read out.

Business arising from previous meeting - Alec said that Brisbane Region had paid up their due fees of \$15,000 by the end of December with only \$5,000 owing due by end of February. Alec said we need to work out what Brisbane Region are going to do with regards to affiliations. It was decided that this was to be discussed more in general business. Alec said that Gold Coast had contacted him and wanted an invoice raised for half year rego.

Entertainment booklet: It was previously mentioned that David Horsley would contact all centres and discussed. Sandra said that he hasn't contacted Scottvale Park yet, and Alec said that he was fairly certain he hadn't contacted Mackay Leisure Centre yet.

Correspondence Inwards and Outwards – various bank statements received from Westpac Bank / Telstra accounts / Various emails from and to Brisbane Region

Finances – Cheque Account has approximately \$12,000 as per statement circulated. Cash Reserves account approximately \$16,000 as per statement circulated. In the cash reserves account there is \$2,400 for the coaching conference and \$3,000 Grant for travel to AJC

Alec moved that the finances be accepted and this was seconded by Ros and carried by all.

General Business

Currently affiliations are set at \$1.50 per player per match for Brisbane Region and \$44.00 for regional players.

Our charges in 2012 were Matrix Access \$3016.65 and Affiliation \$30,593.00

In 2013 our charges will be approximately \$31,500 for Affiliation, \$10.70 per player for Insurance and Matrix will be billed for every individual player who is listed on Matrix.

Sandra mentioned that they have lost about 25% of their fixture players for the first season this year, reasons of relocation, injury, working out of town and a major percentage due to finances. She was of the opinion if the Q Squash affiliation increased to \$55.00 as previously discussed that she would lose more players. Alec mentioned that he felt the same for Northern Region.

It was discussed to increase last year's affiliation by 2% to approx. CPI rise for the year to \$45 for regional players. Ros moved that Regional Affiliation Fees be set at \$45.00 for 2013. Seconded by Sandra. All in agreeance.

On the issue of Brisbane Region Fees it was decided to ask the region to continue collecting the \$1.50 per player and this would then be discussed at a Brisbane Region Workshop with Q Squash.

It was decided to conduct a Workshop on Sunday 10th March. Sandra, Ros and Alec will fly to Brisbane on the Saturday morning. During Saturday afternoon they will go through the Q Squash property at Steve Derbyshire's office. (will need to arrange with Steve to do this). Sandra to contact Squash Australia to see if we could hold it at Sports House at Milton. It was proposed that the workshop commence at 8.00am on Sunday 10th March and continue until 1.00pm. Recess for lunch and then hold the Q Squash Annual General Meeting around 2.00pm. We will work on the agenda for the workshop and will ask for submissions and attendance from all Centres within the region.

Coaches conference. – 2nd & 3rd March. It was decided to move the conference to Brisbane. Darryl previously suggested either Sandgate or Squash Power as both centres have viewing galleries to enable participants to watch squash drills etc., being shown on court. It was suggested to contact Sandgate first. Trevor Smith from Squash Australia will be available that weekend to attend we just need to let him know that the venue has changed. He will do his presentations on Junior Tournament Tour, OzSquash etc., on the Saturday. To look at getting presentations from squash coaches. See if any will give an hour of their time to present something – suggested coaches – Craig Rowland, Ian Freeme, Nathan Stevenson, Marc Forster, Rodney Eyles, Noel Forster, Robyn Prentice, Carl Hampson and Nathan Turnbull. Also need to arrange presentations on sports strapping/nutrition or basic first aid as well. Sandra suggested contacting PSCAQ to see if they would offer any funding towards this conference. Alec suggested maybe we could offer some subsidies to coaches who have to travel from Northern regions to attend as they will have airfares/accom etc. Larry and Darryl maybe able to assist with this as a bit hard for Sandra and Ros to organise from Rockhampton.

Annual General Meeting – To be held in conjunction with the Brisbane Region Workshop. Ros to organise paperwork – nominations, proxy votes etc prior to this. Will need everything out by four weeks before. (Closing of nominations should be 5pm Friday 1st March to allow nominations to be put up on the website for all to see before the meeting). Airfares and accommodation costs will be covered for Ros, Sandra and Alec to attend. Sandra to book their flights tonight and Alec will book his.

As Sandra is not seeking re-election Alec will change the mailing address to his Post Office Box and this will be changed on the website after the AGM. Sandra too busy to do Facebook, maybe ask Bob Cartwright if he can do it, but want to see various posts relating to all regions not just Brisbane. Sandra will contact Bob on this. Ros will check with Neil Peacy to see if he would be interested in being a Central Region Representative on the board. Ros asked if Alec could arrange another card for the debit account that they use for tournaments.

Noel was talking about a Speed Gun that was with Craig Simmich and that is now at Steve Derbyshire's Office. Alec said that Kay would like it collected and brought back to Mackay for use during the QJC.

Q Open – The paper work needs to be finalised and circulated. Already Northern Suburbs have expressed interest in hosting the 2013 event. It was decided that whoever tenders must sign a sponsorship guarantee form to ensure if they can't raise the necessary sponsorship that they will cover the costs to save the disaster that occurred in 2012 when Hibiscus couldn't go ahead with the tournament. Also need to check out criteria on paperwork, especially if there are multiple expressions of interest received to fairly award the tender. It was decided to allow a two year option with the success of the first year determining if that centre is awarded it for the second year.

Alec mentioned about the Oliver Coaching Offer. Ros suggested that we send a feeler out to all centres.

Gladstone region requested bank details so they could bank last year's affiliations, and they will again affiliate this year.

Meeting closed at 7.52pm.