MINUTES OF AN ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

SQUASH AUSTRALIA

HELD AT SPORTS HOUSE, BRISBANE

SATURDAY 22 APRIL 2006

Present:

Squash Australia Board

John Holland	President
Sandie Davis	Vice President (Female)
Richard Best	Vice President (Male)
Steve Derbyshire	Director
Carol Kawaljenko	Director

Member Delegates

Ms Vena Murray	Executive Director, Squash ACT
Ms Carin Clonda	Director, NSW Squash
Mr Gerry McElney	Acting Chairman, NSW Squash
Mr Randle Walker	Vice President, Squash NT
Mr Kim Schramm	Executive Director, Q Squash
Ms Kirsty Groves	Director, Squash SA
Mr Michael Brown	Treasurer, Squash Tasmania
Mr Ian Kent	President, VSF
Mr Paul Vear	Executive Director, VSF
Mr Stephen Bowen	President, WA Squash

Squash Australia Staff

Mr Norman Fry Ms Bridget Harris Mr Greg Hutchings Mr Geoff Hunt Mr John Small Mr Jeff Wollstein Mr Bob Finch Mr Andrew Dent Chief Executive Officer Finance and Administration Officer National Competitions Manager High Performance Manager National Refereeing Director National Coaching Director

Media Liaison Officer

ITEM ONE: OPENING BY THE CHAIRMAN

1. The Chairman opened the meeting at 10.30am and welcomed all attendees.

ITEM TWO: APOLOGIES

2. The following apologies were received:

Byron Davis	(AIS)
Chris Dittmar	Patron
Sarah Fitz-Gerald	
Lance Hately	ADSA
Jan Miller	(NSW Squash)

ITEM THREE: PREVIOUS MINUTES

3. The previous minutes were read and confirmed.

Moved Seconded Kim Schramm Richard Best 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. The Notice of Motion detailed in the AGM documents was withdrawn by the mover.

ITEM SIX: PRESIDENT'S REPORT

6. The President gave his Annual Report (Full version in the 2005 written Annual Report given to all attendees). The President's verbal report emphasised the following aspects:

- a. **Competitions and Tournaments.** World Doubles, Commonwealth Games, World Senior Men's and World Junior Women's teams, World games, Deaf Squash Championships, and the Test Series against England;
- b. **AIS Squash Program.** Conduct, operation and results;
- c. **Matrix.** Progress and experience by those using the system. Encouraged NT and the VSF to join;
- d. **Squash Hall of Fame.** Effect of its establishment and future;
- e. **Squash Australia Committees.** Covered new committees and working groups that had been established;
- f. **Olympic Bid.** Future of squash bid. Still hope for London Games; and
- g. **General Thanks.** President finished his report by thanking Board Members, CEO, Staff and Member Associations for their support and effort during the year.
- 7. It was moved that the President's Report be accepted.

Moved Steve Derbyshire Seconded Ian Kent Carried

ITEM SEVEN: FINANCIAL REPORT

8. Members had been sent the Financials and Audit Report 28 days prior to the meeting.

9. The CEO briefed the meeting on the reason for the \$62,000 loss in 2005. Original Commonwealth Games Plan was to cost \$444,000. The ACGA provided \$225,000 towards the cost of preparing the Team, leaving a shortfall of some \$219,000. This was covered by; some cutbacks in the original plan budget, using some ASC grant funding and by also using some Squash Australia funds from the savings account. The CEO advised the meeting that there would be a further loss in 2006 of around \$30,000 to \$40,000 for the same reason. The meeting acknowledged the reasons.

10. It was moved that the financial report for 2005 be accepted.

Moved	Kim Schramm
Seconded	Steve Derbyshire
	Carried

ITEM EIGHT: ELECTION OF OFFICERS

- 11. Squash Australia had called for nominations for the following Board appointments:
- a. President
- b. Vice President (Female)
- c. Director (1)

Nominations

12. As at the closing date the following nominations had been received by Squash Australia for the three appointments listed above:

- a. President
 - (1) Mr John Holland (SA)
- b. Vice President (Female)
 - (1) Mrs Sue Cowell (WA)
 - (2) Ms Sarah Fitz-Gerald (VIC)
 - (3) Mrs Carol Kawaljenko (NT)
- c. Director
 - (1) Mrs Sue Cowell (WA)
 - (2) Mr Stephen Derbyshire (QLD)
 - (3) Ms Sarah Fitz-Gerald (VIC)
 - (4) Ms Jan Miller (NSW)

13. **President.** Mr John Holland was re-elected as President Squash Australia, unopposed.

14. **Vice President (Female).** Mrs Carol Kawaljenko withdrew her nomination for the appointment, leaving Ms Sarah Fitz-Gerald and Mrs Sue Cowell to contest. Mr Paul Vear spoke on behalf of Sarah Fitz-Gerald highlighting Sarah's Board experience with WISPA, he also withdrew her nomination for the Director's appointment. The meeting voted (secret ballot) and Ms Sarah Fitz-Gerald was elected.

15. **Director.** With Ms Fitz-Gerald withdrawn, three nominations remained to contest the one appointment. The CEO read a message from Ms Jan Miller (NSW). Mr Steve Derbyshire spoke to the meeting on his own behalf. The meeting voted (secret ballot) and Mr Steve Derbyshire was elected.

16. The President summarised the voting and appointments congratulating those elected and thanking those who nominated.

ITEM NINE: CONFIRMATION OF AUDITOR

17. The 2005 auditor had confirmed that he was available to conduct the 2006 audit. The meeting confirmed Mr Bevan Schafferius, DNS Accountants, P.O. Box 178, Stones Corner 4120 as the 2006 auditor.

Moved	Kim Schramm
Seconded	Richard Best
	Carried

ITEM TEN: CONFIRMATION OF PATRON

18. The CEO briefed the meeting that Mr Chris Dittmar had agreed to continue in the role of Patron for 2006, meeting accepted.

Moved	Carol Kawaljenko
Seconded	Carin Clonda
	Carried

ITEM ELEVEN: ELECTION OF SELECTION COMMITTEES

19. **Selection Committee (Female).** Nominations – (five nominations) Ms Carin Clonda (NSW), Mr Byron Davis (AIS), Mrs Dawn Moggach (NSW), Mrs Karen Morrissey (VIC), Mrs Kaye Reeves (SA).

20. Carin Clonda spoke on her own behalf, Kim Schramm spoke on behalf of Dawn Moggach and Kaye Reeves, Paul Vear spoke on behalf of Karen Morrissey and Geoff Hunt spoke on behalf of Byron Davis.

21. After a number of rounds of voting, the following people were confirmed as Members of the National Selection Committee (Female) for the next two years:

a. Mrs Dawn Moggach (NSW)

b. Mrs Karen Morrissey (VIC)

c. Mrs Kaye Reeves (SA)

22. The President congratulated those elected and thanked those who had nominated.

ITEM TWELVE: CONFIRMATION OF AFFILIATION FEES

23. The CEO advised the meeting that all members had signed the Memorandum of Understanding regarding the Affiliation Fees for 2006. Mr Gerry McElney the acting Chairman NSW requested confirmation of who had signed the agreement from NSW. Squash Australia could not produce the signed form as they were still with the auditor. CEO to follow up. NSW had a problem with the current method of distributing the fees costs. No alternate offered.

24. The meeting discussed the need for a fairer distribution formula. No one provided an alternate to the current system of using the population census. Members to consider alternate options and forward to Squash Australia.

25. It was moved to confirm the figures set out in the Memorandum. NSW requested their opposing vote to be recorded.

Moved Stephen Bowen Seconded Vena Murray Carried

ITEM THIRTEEN: OTHER BUSINESS

Farewell Ms Sandie Davis

26. The President thanked Ms Sandie Davis for her contribution as a Director and then as the Vice President (Female) and wished her well in her future endeavours.

Confirmation of Associate Memberships

27. The CEO briefed the meeting on the applications for Associate Membership which had been received during 2005 and agreed by Members. Confirmation required at AGM. The meeting confirmed the following Associate Memberships:

a. Australian Deaf Squash Association; and

b. Australian Gay and Lesbian Squash Association.

ITEM FOURTEEN : MEETING CLOSURE AND ARRANGEMENT FOR THE NEXT - MEETING

28. The President declared the meeting closed at 11.45am. Details of the 2007 Annual General Meeting will be advised to Members by email.

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John Holland Chairman