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Minutes

Meeting: ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Venue: North Oval Pavilion

Date/Time: Wednesday 18 April 2018 6.15 pm

Meeting commenced at 6.20 pm

Attendees:

Individuals		
David Luchetti (President)	Neil Parsons (Treasurer)	Mervyn Aston (Returning Officer)
Tim Banks	Nick Douros	Kyle Wood
Alex McKenzie	Jacqueline Williams (Vice President)	Campbell Clapp
ANU Staff		
Katrina O'Mahony (CEO)	Mike Rethman (GM)	Jack Birtwhistle
Peter Bradley (minutes)	Annie Granton	Lindsay Burrows
Karin Klaus (minutes)		

Club representatives: See Attachment A

Item 1. Apologies

The President welcomed all attendees to the meeting and accepted apologies from:

Professor John Carver
Mr Zyl Hovenga-Wauchope

Item 2:

a) Confirmation of the Minutes of the 2017 AGM

The President presented the Minutes of the 2017 AGM, which were posted on the ANU Sport website following the 2017 AGM. No comments had been received regarding the minutes and it was moved that they be accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Moved: David Barr
Seconded: Reece McKenzie
CARRIED



b) Business Arising

The President acknowledged that items arising from the 2017 AGM minutes would be addressed in his report to the meeting.

Item 3. Presentation of Reports

a) President's report presented by David Luchetti

The President spoke to his report as recorded in the annual report, which was available to Members at the meeting. He acknowledged that 2017 was a strong year for ANU Sport, with 3000 Members and a sound financial footing, ensuring that the ANU Sport and Recreation Association looks to the future with confidence. He highlighted the Association's efforts including support to its affiliated clubs, delivering community programs on campus and providing facilities for its users.

The President further outlined the year ahead in regard to the Association's progress in a number of key initiatives, including the introduction of ANU Sport Scholarships and the review of the Association's governance arrangements which will be addressed at a Special General Meeting (SGM) on 16 May 2018. The President explained that the Constitution had not been reviewed in 20 years which implied a call for its review and update. Further projects for the year 2018 include the refurbishment of the change room facilities in Building 19. The Association is also in discussion with the University about the new South Oval Pavilion, and other infrastructure projects over the coming years.

The President acknowledged that this progress has been achieved during a challenging time for the Association with a change in the position of Chief Executive Officer. The President thanked Mr Michael Brady for his considerable effort in the role of Chief Executive Officer for seven years, finishing in August 2017. Michael played a significant role in transforming the Association into a financially secure and forward-looking organisation. On behalf of the Association, the President extended his thanks to Michael for his substantial contribution and wished him well in his future professional endeavours.

The President stated that replacing Mr Brady with a Chief Executive Officer who would build on the Association's recent success and address the current varying challenges was a difficult undertaking. The President acknowledged the appointment of Ms Katrina O'Mahony for this role and elaborated that she has made an excellent start in her role in steering the organisation forward.

The President reiterated ANU Sport's commitment to providing high quality services and facilities to its Members and affiliated clubs, The President further thanked the hundreds of volunteers and the ANU Sport staff for their valuable contributions to the Association's success, recognising that without their input, the offerings would be significantly diminished.



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The President addressed the situation of a new competitor coming onto campus in 2019. He reassured the meeting that, as an Association with its main aim to support Members and clubs, it will work collaboratively to manage offerings to provide the best outcome for all. Furthermore, the President stated that the financial report of the Association showed a positive outlook regarding future opportunities for its Members.

In closing, the President thanked fellow Council and Committee members for their contribution throughout the year. He wished the non-continuing council members well for their future endeavours. The President opened the floor to questions; none were proffered.

b) Treasurer's report presented by Neil Parsons

The Treasurer referred the meeting to the annual report on pages 2 and 3 regarding financial data from the profit and loss statement and the balance sheet for the 2017 financial year. He reported a loss during the year of \$139 610, largely explained by the contribution of \$110 000 to a perpetual scholarship fund which showed as an expense. Also, a change in accounting treatment of an equipment agreement with the Boat Club implied an overstatement in 2016 by \$30 000, which was reversed in the 2017 accounts.

The Treasurer reported that the funding from the Student Services and Amenities Fee (SSAF) has fallen from 25% to about 11% over the past several years. The Association is trying to raise awareness of the importance of sport in regard to University life, with joining a club enabling Members to meet new people and lead a healthy lifestyle. The Treasurer urged attendees of the Annual General Meeting to spread this message, with an aim to increase funding for university sport. The Treasurer highlighted that clubs are the lifeblood of the Association and also on campus in general. He thanked the volunteers, numbering about 800, for their constant and valuable support.

The Treasurer extended his appreciation to Mr Brady, former Chief Executive, and reiterated his thanks to Ms O'Mahony and the ANU Sport team. The Treasurer remarked that the aforementioned people drive the Association, based on their belief in the Association's goals.

The Treasurer invited questions from the floor.

Question from the floor: 'Revenue mainly stems from the fitness centre. Will the new competitor have an impact moving forward?'

Treasurer: 'Ms O'Mahony is undertaking some financial modelling over a three-year cycle. Ultimately, lower revenue does mean less services. However, there is potentially capacity for another fitness facility to operate on campus. What differentiates the Association from the competitor is that the competitor has to make a profit for shareholders.'



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Question from the floor: 'Will less revenue mean less assistance to clubs?'

Treasurer: 'This may be the case, however, the Student Services and Amenities Fee (SSAF) contribution may balance out the shortcomings.'

Question from the floor: 'Has it been confirmed who the new provider is?'

Treasurer: 'Club Lime.'

Question from the floor: 'Why is there a disparity in insurance costs between 2016 and 2017?'

CEO: This item relates to the timing of invoices received from the University.'

c) Chief Executive Officer's report presented by Katrina O'Mahony

The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) stated that she moved into her role in August 2017. 2017 was a year of transition, not only from a leadership perspective, but also from a team perspective, with a new team structure in place. She also reiterated the situation regarding a competitor coming onto campus in 2019, declaring that this new development is interesting for the Association and a transition into a new, unchartered era.

The challenge of the new competitor has been initially addressed by rewriting the Association's strategy to align more closely with the University for a long-term perspective. Financial modelling has also been undertaken to assess what the impact may be in case of a 25% to 50% decrease in revenue. This first financial modelling serves the purpose to strategically plan actions with senior management and the Council in sustaining organisational health. The CEO highlighted the upcoming governance review and the physical upgrades to the gym facilities.

The CEO extended her congratulations to all athletes who represented ANU, and to those who achieved outstanding results, such as gold medal winners in kendo, rowing and in table tennis.

The CEO applauded the success of the active campus initiative which has at its core the objective to make the Association more visible on and around the campus.

The CEO referred to the documented financial loss for 2017, but highlighted that the Association is experiencing a steady growth and the scholarship program is an investment in the future. The CEO referred to the physical change regarding the new administration office and to the staff restructuring to sustain a professional and motivated team. The change room refurbishment is planned for 2018 and the new South Oval Pavilion will be opening in 2019. The CEO stated that access control to the



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facilities will be addressed this year in order to collect data to service Members better and to improve access control in general, and the reception area is currently being considered for refurbishment.

The CEO stated that 16 May Special General Meeting will be an important meeting regarding the process to update the constitution.

The CEO stated that the contributions from the Student Services and Amenities Fee (SSAF) had been stable and that the University is initiating surveys to students to prioritise needs, which will then be utilised to assist future SSAF contribution allocations. The CEO encouraged attendants to use their voice and ensure that the community comes together so that a difference can be made.

No questions were put forward.

Acceptance of reports

The acceptance of the reports of the President, the Treasurer and the CEO was proposed.

Moved: Warren Fletcher
Seconded: Jeremy Weinman
CARRIED

Item 4. Declaration of 2018 Elections

a) Returning Officer's Report – Election of Council Members

Dr Mervyn Aston Returning Officer tabled his report relating to nominations for 2018 ANU Sport Council members. Nominations closed at 4.00pm on Wednesday 21 March 2018.

At the close of nominations, the following were received and declared **appointed to Council**:

President	David Luchetti
Vice President	Jacqueline Williams
Treasurer	Neil Parsons
Elected Member	Tim Banks
Elected Member	Nick Douros
Elected Member	Jennifer Church

The President asked for a motion to accept the report of the Returning Officer and the election results.

Moved: Jeremy Weinman
Seconded: Torsten Schwich
CARRIED



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The members were accepted unanimously. The President welcomed new members and thanked long serving members on behalf of the Association regarding their time and effort put into the organisation.

b) Call for Nominations for Vacant Council Member Positions (3)

The President then proceeded with calling for nominations for the remaining three vacant ordinary Council Member positions. The following nominations were received:

Nominee	Proposer	Secunder
Alex McKenzie	Campbell Clapp	Phoebe Worth
Warren Fletcher	Harry Pollock	Sharyn Wragg
Kyle Wood	Saul Lopa	Sam Huang

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Elected Member:	Alex McKenzie
Elected Member:	Warren Fletcher
Elected Member:	Kyle Wood

Item 5. General Business

a) Special General Meeting, 16 May 2018 – Constitutional Reform

The President stated that the SGM regarding constitutional reform would be held on Wednesday 16 May 2018 and extended the period for comments until the close of week of Friday 20 April 2018.

b) Other Business

No other business was raised.



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The President invited questions from the floor, but none were proffered.

Item 6. Close

The President closed the meeting at 6.59 pm.