

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of NETBALL WA (INC.)

Held on Thursday, 12 May 2022

At the Gold Netball Centre, 200 Selby Street, Jolimont WA 6014

1. MEETING OPENING:

The President, Craig Heatley, opened the 2022 Annual General Meeting at 6:35pm and officially welcomed all to the meeting.

The President commenced the meeting with an Acknowledgement of Country.

1.1 Attendance & Apologies

Attendance was recorded for the following: Simone Hansen (Chief Executive Officer), Natasha Aristei (Director), Patricia Robinson (Director), Jacqueline Jashari (Director), Dana Sawka (Director), Mark Hughes (General Manager, Media & Communications); Garry Chandler (General Manager, People & Culture); Stuart Gilsean (General Manager, Commercial & Events); Anne-Maree Wood-Gush (Minute Taker), Jo Smith (Stakeholder Engagement Manager); Lilly Mutavdzic (Governance & Compliance Coordinator); Lisa Wynne (newly elected NWA Director); Cathy McCafferty; Charlene Smith; Yvette Thomson; Joshua Harrington; Victoria Butler; Gaye Teede; Helen Prince; Sue Taylor; Elisma Morello; Marita Somerford; Kay Massey.

Attendance via Zoom was recorded for the following: Brendon Grylls (Director); Liz Booth (General Manager, Community); Fran Haintz (Executive Officer, Glass Jar Australia); Sue Gaudion (General Manager, Performance & Pathways); Glenda Kickett (Chair, GJA Board); Patrice Hines; Christie Milenkovic; Graham Jones; Megan Battilana; Lindsay Woodcock; Fiona McDonald; Sondra Anderson; Kelly Eastough; Brittany Whitehead; Kerry Collings; Kristy Hodges; Alana Delana; Teena Graham; Rheannon Turton; Janice Clamp; Damien Corrigan; Nicole Brown; Jenny Maras; Helen Robinson.

Apologies were received and recorded for the following: Lisa Potter (General Manager, Operations); Shirley Doonbush; Christine Stanton; Sally Ironmonger; Governor Kim Beasley; Annette Simper; Judith Pilatti; Alan Pilatti; Shaunne Higgs.

1.2 Confirmation of Quorum

The President confirmed the meeting quorum, noting that Voting Members from 22 Associations were in attendance.

1.3 Conflicts of Interest

The President called for Conflicts of Interest to be declared - none were received.

2. PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS:

The President, Craig Heatley, began his address by acknowledging the contribution of NWA Life Members, Association Presidents, WANL Club Presidents and past President, Grant Robinson. He extended a special thanks to the outgoing WCF Board members for their passion and commitment to netball and their support for the governance reform that took place in 2021.

The President then introduced the current Directors and thanked the Board members of Netball WA, West Coast Fever and Glass Jar Australia for their commitment and professionalism. He also thanked the staff and members for their dedication in another challenging year.

The President advised that under the Constitution, the Delegate of each Tier 1 Association is entitled to one vote on each Motion put to this meeting.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The minutes of the prior Annual General Meeting, held on 17 April 2021, were tabled. The President called for any amendments to the minutes of Netball WA's 2021 Annual General Meeting – none were received.

MOTION: To accept the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 17 April 2021.

It was RESOLVED by those in attendance, that the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 17 April 2021 be accepted as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

Moved: Yvette Thomson, Wanneroo Districts Netball Association
Seconded: Nicole McKennay, Kalamunda & Districts Netball Association
Motion: Carried Unanimously

4. ADOPTION OF ANNUAL REPORT

It was noted that the 2021 Annual Report had been circulated. The President provided an overview of the 2021 activities of Netball WA, noting it was pleasing that so many activities had returned to some level of normality, despite the continuing impact of COVID-19 disruptions. The President thanked the Members, Associations, administrators, coaches, umpires and volunteers across the State for their continued support and commitment. The President also thanked the partners and sponsors who supported netball in WA during 2021 and acknowledged the growth and success of the Shooting Stars program.

The President called for questions from the membership in relation to the 2021 Annual Report. No questions were received.

MOTION: To accept the 2021 Annual Report for Netball WA.

It was RESOLVED to adopt the 2021 Annual Report for Netball WA.

Moved: Kerry Collings, Joondalup Netball Association
Seconded: Jenny Maras, Southern Districts Netball Association
Motion: Carried Unanimously

5. ADOPTION OF AUDITED 2021 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The meeting noted that the audited 2021 Financial Statements for Netball WA had been circulated.

The CEO of Netball WA, Simone Hansen, presented an overview of key revenues and expenditure in 2021. It was noted that the coaching expenditure was low and that this has been identified as an area of focus for NWA moving forward.

The President thanked Simone Hansen, Netball WA's Audit & Finance Committee, Lisa Potter and the NWA Finance Team for their assistance with the audit, and thanked PFK Perth for undertaking the audit.

The CEO and President called for questions from the membership in relation to the 2021 Audited Financial Statements. No questions were received.

MOTION: To accept the Audited 2021 Financial Statements and Auditor's Report of Netball WA.

It was RESOLVED to adopt the Audited 2021 Financial Statements of Netball WA.

Moved: Charlene Smith, Success Netball Association
Seconded: Yvette Thomson, WDNA
Motion: Carried Unanimously

It was FURTHER RESOLVED to adopt the 2021 Auditor's Report for Netball WA.

Moved: Kerry Collings, Joondalup Netball Association
Seconded: Graham Jones, Bunbury Netball Association
Motion: Carried Unanimously

6. NOTICE OF SPECIAL RESOLUTION

The President confirmed that no Notices of Special Resolution had been received in accordance with the terms of the Constitution.

7. NWA SPECIAL RESOLUTION

The meeting noted Attachment 1 to the Notice of Meeting that was tabled and taken as read. The President advised that there are a number of amendments, as outlined in Attachment 1, to our Rules of Association for consideration by the members. He explained the majority of these amendments were a result of the outcomes from the Special General Meeting (SGM) held on 17 February 2022 and were minor changes only. To simplify the process, the amendments had been grouped into four categories:

1. Amendments relating to feedback from the Department of Mines, Industry, Regulations and Safety regarding the inconsistent use of Netball WA throughout the Rules. Specifically, to change all use of Netball WA to Netball WA (Inc).
2. Amendments relating to changes accepted at the SGM with regards to the references of Regions and/or Regional membership.
3. Amendments relating to the Special Resolution passed at the SGM with regards to the composition from seven to nine directors on the NWA Board and additional clauses to align Appointed Director requirements with Elected Directors.
4. Amendments classified as 'housekeeping' as they are minor changes as a result of the above changes.

The President read each amendment in detail and called for any questions in relation to these changes. No questions were received.

MOTION: To approve all amendments to the Rules of Association as outlined in Attachment 1 to the Notice of Meeting.

Following the counting and verification of votes, the motion was unanimously carried with 22 votes.

It was RESOLVED to adopt all amendments to the NWA Rules of Association as outlined in Attachment 1 to the Notice of Meeting.

8. CONFIRMATION OF ELECTED DIRECTORS

The President advised that as a result of the Director elections held recently, it was confirmed that four candidates received the required number of votes, that being 50% or more of our voting Members. It was further confirmed that 21 Members had casted their votes by the conclusion of the voting, thus ensuring the following Directors were duly elected to the NWA Board:

- Natasha Aristei with 17 votes
- Jacqui Jashari with 21 votes
- Trish Robinson with 21 votes
- Lisa Wynne with 14 votes

The President congratulated the Directors on their successful election to the Board. He further noted that the election process will be reviewed to ensure it stays best practice.

9. APPOINTMENT OF LIFE MEMBERS

The President announced the NWA Award & Recognition Committee had put forth two very worthy candidates who have both been endorsed by the Board of NWA for the awarding of Life Membership. After briefly highlighting the remarkable netball careers and backgrounds of both candidates, the President announced that Bev Gallagher and Gaye Teede were the worthy recipients of NWA's highest honour, Life Membership.

The President then announced and paid tribute to those Life Members who passed away over the past year;

- Yvonne Ayres – awarded Life Membership in 1960 - passed away in April 2021
- Shirley Christmass - awarded Life Membership in 2010 – passed away in September 2021
- Pauline Mataka - awarded Life Membership in 1997 – passed away in November 2021
- Audrey Fairchild- awarded Life Membership in 1949 - passed away in January 2022
- Nancy Dorrington - awarded Life Membership in 1977 - passed away in May 2022

10. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS OF PATRON AND AUDITOR

The President explained that as His Excellency, the Honourable Kim Beazley, is stepping down as Governor of Western Australia in July, Netball WA will be discussing the opportunity to identify the appropriate Patron for Netball WA.

Therefore, until this process is complete, we are unable to ask the Members for their endorsement and will table the consideration of Patron at a Special General Meeting in the future.

It was RESOLVED that at the recommendation of Netball WA's Audit & Finance Committee and the NWA Board, that PKF be appointed as Netball WA's Auditor for the 2022 Financial Year.

Moved: Kerry Collings, Joondalup Netball Association
Seconded: Jenny Mars, Southern Districts Netball Association
Motion: Carried Unanimously

11. CLOSE OF MEETING

There being no further business, the President thanked everyone for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 7:25pm.

Signed: _____



**Craig Heatley – President
Netball WA**

Date: 25 May 2023

