

2.2 MINUTES OF ORIENTEERING AUSTRALIA

2015 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

4pm, Commercial Hotel, Jamestown SA. Sunday 5 April.

MINUTES

Attendance: Blair Trewin (President), Bruce Bowen (Director, Finance), Robert Spry (OA Director and NSW delegate), Jenny Casanova (Director, Technical), Lance Read (Director, High Performance), Mike Dowling (Director, International), John Harding (OA Executive Officer), Nick Dent (OA Head Coach), Simon Uppill (OA Athletes representative), Greg Barbour (NSW), Bruce Arthur (OV), David Jaffe (OV), Erica Diment (OSA), Robin Uppill (OSA), Wendy Read (OQ), Liz Bourne (OQ), John Scown (OACT), Ann Scown (OACT), Ricky Thackray (OWA), Natasha Sparg (OWA), Peter Cusick (OT), Geoff Wood (OACT), Hilary Wood (observer), Trevor Sauer (observer), Jim Russell (observer).

Apologies: Craig Feuerherdt.

1 MINUTES

1.1 Appointment of verifiers: John Scown and Jenny Casanova.

1.2 Confirmation of minutes of 2014 Annual Conference. Moved by Robert Spry and Natasha Sparg that the minutes be confirmed. Motion carried.

1.3 President's opening remarks

Blair Trewin, President, in his opening remarks noted opportunities, challenges and governance issues for Orienteering Australia during the next 12 months.

The opportunities were in respect of the ASC Sporting Schools project and ongoing Participation projects funded by the ASC.

Challenges are a reduction in whole or part of ASC Whole of Sport funding from 2015-16, prioritisation of future High Performance expenditure, and whether reductions in funding can be offset by new revenue, including fund raising events, commercial sponsorships and donations.

Governance issues are a desire from the ASC for all funded NSOs to move to a company limited by guarantee structure (to date not considered desirable by the OA Board for orienteering) and work to be done to strengthen the role of committees and working groups.

1.4 Matters arising. There were no matters arising.

2 ANNUAL REPORT

A motion by Geoff Wood and Erica Diment that the draft Annual Report be accepted was carried.

3 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

3.1 Presentation of the financial report by the Director, Finance
Bruce Bowen, Director, Finance, outlined the main points in the financial report which was included in the Annual Report, together with the audited financial statement.

Greg Barbour recommended separating money tied in specific projects from other income and expenditure to make it easier to understand the underlying financial position. It was also recommended that an article on the Moira Whiteside bequest be written for inclusion in the Australian Orienteer.

3.2 Budget projections

Bruce noted that the budget projections were the same as those approved by the 2014 Annual Conference, and they included an annual 3% inflation rate for levies and registration fees.

3.3 OA Risk and Audit Committee

Bruce noted that Paul Marsh, a practising CPA, had been added to the Audit and Risk Committee, with the other members including himself, Ian Dodd and Robert Spry. The Committee planned to meet 2 or 3 times a year.

4 REVISION OF OA STRATEGIC PLAN

The President advised the meeting that work on this has been deferred until after ASC Whole of Sport and Participation funding is known following the May Australian government budget. There was some discussion about the extent to which strategic directions were dependent on funding and hence whether deferral was necessary. The Executive Officer explained that the ASC expected the plan to include achievable KPIs; in a number of areas, these are very much dependent on funding to resource strategies.

5 ELECTIONS and APPOINTMENTS

The following were elected for 2 year terms in 2014: President; Director, Finance; Director, Technical.

Board positions due for election at this AGM for 2-year terms:

Director, High Performance. Lance Read was nominated by Simon Uppill & Greg Barbour. Elected.

3 Directors with unspecified portfolios: Robert Spry was nominated by ONSW and Craig Feuerherdt nominated by OV. Declared elected.

One Director position remains vacant and the Board is seeking a person with marketing and sponsorship expertise. Blair Trewin advised the meeting that the ASC has a register of Board position applicants and that NSOs can also seek female Board members from womenonboards.org

Action: the OA Board will explore these options if there are no nominations from state associations.

Committee chair elections:

Chairperson (Mapping Committee): Adrian Uppill, nominated by OSA

Chairperson (Technical Committee): Eric Andrews, nominated by OQ.

Elected after a secret ballot with the other candidate Andrew Lumsden, nominated by ONSW.

Chairperson (Events Committee): Greg Hawthorne. Nominated by the Events Committee.

Chairperson (MTBO Committee): Craig Steffens. Nominated by Liz Bourne and Ricky Thackray.

Chairperson (IT Committee): Vacant. No Nominations.

Chairperson (Development & Participation Committee): Bert Elson. Nominated by the Development & Participation Committee.

Tribunals and Appeals Committee (up to two to be appointed). No nominations.

Misconduct Tribunal. No nominations. Liz Bourne suggested approaching Joan Whyte, a lawyer from Cairns with expertise in this area.

Selection Appeals Committee. Currently Paul Liggins, additional person to be appointed by the OA Board when required.

Anti-doping officer. Currently John Harding, appointed on an interim basis by the OA Board. No nominations. The Board is seeking to appoint a person with medical experience.

OTHER APPOINTMENTS (to be confirmed)

Patron	Vacant
Public Officer	Robert Allison
Badge Scheme Secretary	John Oliver
Schools Liaison Officer	Ian Dalton
Rankings - Elite	Bruce Arthur
Rankings – Non-elite	Darryl Erbacher
Auditor	Christine Read and Associates Pty Ltd

6 GENERAL BUSINESS

There was no general business.

The meeting closed at 5.30pm.

John Harding, Executive Officer