

OCEANIA SQUASH FEDERATION

Minutes of 2013 General Meeting held at Sports House, Brisbane
on Saturday 9th November 2013.

1. The 2013 General Meeting was opened at 10.10am by Mr. Neven Barbour (President) and a welcome extended to all those present.
2. **Confirmation of Attendance and Apologies**
Attendance
 Neven Barbour (President)
 Carol Kawaljenko (Executive Officer)
 Jim O'Grady (Vice President and Squash NZ Delegate)
 Colin Clapper (Immediate Past President)
 Gary O'Donnell (Squash Australia Delegate)
 Edmond Pereira (PNG Delegate)
 Konia Vai (PNG)
 Richard Best (Oceania Masters)
 Chris Sinclair (Oceania Referee Convenor)
 Gary Hampson (Oceania WSF Championships Representative)
Apologies
 John Lee (Squash Australia)
 Mal Tarrant (Vice President and Norfolk Island)
 Sylvaine Durand (New Caledonia)
 Anita Boaza (Cook Islands)
 Ravi Singh (Fiji)
 Yannick Jacobe (Vanuatu)
 Patrick Morelle (Tahiti)
3. Quorum - Para 6.2 of OSF Constitution states that if the quorum of 4 is not met that 3 members present and eligible to vote can agree to proceed with the meeting. There being 3 member countries represented – Australia, New Zealand & Papua New Guinea – a motion to proceed was moved by Gary O'Donnell (Australia) and seconded by Jim O'Grady (New Zealand). Unanimously agreed.
4. **Voting Entitlements** as set out in the Agenda were noted.
5. **Minutes of the Previous General Meeting of 14th October 2012** were accepted as a true and correct record of the proceedings.
 Moved Jim O'Grady (NZ), seconded Edmond Pereira (PNG)

6. **Matters Arising from the Previous General Meeting**

6a	Constitutional Changes in relation to Immediate Past President	Actioned
6b	Succession Planning	Grant funding investigated. May be possible future venture
12a	Dates for 2013 AGM	Changed due to uncertainty of Oceania Championships going ahead.
12c	Oceania Masters	Held on Norfolk Island
12d	Oceania Junior Championships	Australia confirmed as host in Jan 2014. New regulation approved by Officers.
12e	Life Membership – Butch Gifford	Officially awarded at the 2012 NZ AGM

7. **President's Report** - Moved Neven Barbour and seconded Jim O'Grady that the report be accepted. Mr Barbour spoke briefly to his report expressing the importance of improving communication across the Region.

8. **Member's Reports**

- a. Australia (Tabled)
- b. New Zealand (Tabled)
- c. Norfolk Island (Email from Mal Tarrant received 8 November 2013 read)
- d. Papua New Guinea (Verbal)
PNG apologised for their late withdrawal at the recent Championships on Norfolk Island. Funding promised by the PNG Sports Minister was not forthcoming and alternative funding could not be sourced. Several clubs have recently reformed and participation numbers were increasing. New rule introduced to encourage clubs to target PNG nationals rather than expats. Concentrating of working with Madang to revitalise squash in that Region.
- e. Samoa (Tabled)

9. **Financial Report**

- a. Audited Financial Statement
Financials were duly audited by honorary auditor, Mr Stephen Bowen. All Member Countries were fully financial as at 30 June 2013. Expenses relating to the 2013 Oceania Masters and Oceania Championships will be expended in the 2013-2014 financial year.
- b. Statement of Current Financial Status of Federation - tabled for information
- c. 2013/2014 Budget - tabled
- d. 2014 Member Affiliation Fees

The following Member Affiliation Fees were approved for 2014

Australia	5,000
Cook Islands	400
Fiji	600
New Zealand	3,500
New Caledonia	650
Norfolk Island	400
Papua New Guinea	650
Samoa	600
Vanuatu	400
	\$12,200

Moved Carol Kawaljenko, seconded Jim O'Grady that the financial reports, affiliation and proposed budget be accepted.

10. **Standing Committee Reports**

- a. Rules & Refereeing – tabled
 - b. Competitions – verbal report by C Kawaljenko
- Moved Neven Barbour, seconded Gary O'Donnell that the reports be accepted.

11. **Election of Officers**

- a. Vice President - No nominations were received and the position remained vacant. OSF Officers will endeavor to fill the position as soon as possible.
- b. Executive Officer - One nomination received : Carol Kawaljenko, nominated by Squash Australia. Moved Neven Barbour, seconded Jim O'Grady that Carol be appointed to the position.

- c. The 2013/14 OSF Officers:

President	Neven Barbour
Vice President	Jim O'Grady
Vice President	Vacant
Executive Officer	Carol Kawaljenko

12. **Other Business**

a. Confirmation of upcoming Oceania Events

2014 Masters Championships – expressions of interest called. One proposal received from Australia; another proposal will be forthcoming shortly. Officers to consider proposals and advised accordingly.

2014 Oceania Junior Championships – Gold Coast, Australia
Preparations well underway. Australia requested consideration of their hosting 2016 & 2018 Championships as a lead-up to 2018 Commonwealth Games on the Gold Coast.

2015 Oceania Junior Championships – New Zealand

New Zealand confirmed as hosts of the 2015 Championships (in conjunction with the NZ Junior Championships). NZ requested that they be considered as the hosts of the 2017 Championships.

2015 Pacific Games – PNG

Preparations well underway. Neven Barbour appointed as Technical Delegate. Pacific Games Executive Director, Andrew Minogue will attend workshop later in the day to give an update on the Games.

- b. Junior Programs - Mr Col Clapper enquired as to the success of Australia's junior program. Mr O'Donnell advised that early indications are the OzSport program is very successful as is the Junior Tour established in 2013. Numbers, especially in junior tournaments are increasing, however it is still too early to give accurate statistics.
- c. Facilities - Mr Clapper enquired as to Squash Australia's involvement in the redevelopment of the Milton Tennis Centre. Squash Australia were involved in preliminary talks several years ago. Mr Clapper advised there is renewed interest in the redevelopment and Squash Australia should pursue further.
- d. Mal Tarrant – Neven moved a motion of thanks to Mal for his time on the Oceania Executive. Seconded – C Kawaljenko.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 10.45 am by Mr Barbour and thank you conveyed to all those who attended.