



# **ATHLETICS WELLINGTON**

P O Box 1734, Wellington

## **MINUTES OF THE 2020 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD VIA ZOOM TUESDAY 16 JUNE 2020 AT 7.30PM**

### **PRESENT**

Josh Ledger  
Marshall Clark  
Stephen Mair  
Eric Speakman  
Mark Hughson  
Theresa Bartlett  
Chandima  
Finlay Abbott  
Phillip du Toit  
Michelle van Looy  
John Barrance  
Evan Cooper  
Michael Wray  
Willy Szeto  
Kate Slater  
Andrew Wharton  
Jake Inwood  
Hamish Girvan  
Karin Burger  
Todd Steven  
Mark Harris  
Alan Stevens  
Mike Ritchie  
Carla Denny  
Shaka Sola  
Amanda Goldsmith  
Peter Jack QSM

Upper Hutt United  
Wellington Scottish  
Trentham United  
Victoria University  
Onslow  
Athletics Wairarapa  
Scottish  
Karori Athletics  
Trentham United  
Olympic Harriers  
Wellington Harriers Athletics Club  
Wellington Scottish  
Wellington Scottish  
Jnr Committee Convener  
Wellington Scottish  
Wellington Scottish  
Athletics Wellington Board  
Athletics Wellington Board  
Sport Development Manager  
Wellington Scottish  
Athletics Wairarapa  
Wellington Scottish  
AW Coach  
  
Sola Power Academy  
Olympic  
Kiwi Athletics

### **APOLOGIES**

David Lonsdale  
Graeme Cook  
Anna Aston  
Vickie Humphries

Life Member  
Kiwi Athletics  
Lower Hutt  
WHAC

Apologies moved by H Girvan, Seconded P Jack

### **PROXIES**

No proxies received.

### **WELCOME**

In opening the meeting, the Chair welcomed attendees and thanked them for attending. The AGM is an important forum for communication between the Board and Clubs.

### **MINUTES**

The Chair advised the meeting that the Minutes of the 2019 AGM had been reviewed by the Chair and board and had been made available to all in attendance at the present meeting.

There being no discussion, the minutes of the 2019 AGM were moved as read and confirmed by the Chair and seconded by P Jack



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## **ANNUAL REPORT**

In introducing the Annual Report, copies of which were circulated to all attendees at the meeting, the Chair commented that it contained reports from the:

- Chair
- Cross Country & Road Committee
- Juniors Committee

*(All reports are distributed with these minutes)*

The report also contained the financial report and statements for the 12 months ended 31 March 2020.

The Chair spoke to his report and the Treasurer to spoke to the accounts and the Cross Country and Road Committee report. The Juniors committee report was spoken to by the AWJC committee Chair.

### **Chair's Report**

The Chair read his report.

### **Acknowledgements**

The Chair extended thanks clubs and athletes during these uncertain times with the Covid-19 pandemic

### **Junior Committee Report**

Willy Szeto spoke to his report for the 2019/20 season.

### **Cross Country & Road Committee Report**

Todd Stevens spoke to his report for the 2019/20 season.

### **Finance Report**

The Treasurer spoke to the Finance Report.

Athletics Wellington has maintained a strong financial position over the past year, and finished the year with \$263,000 of cash deposits.

An operating profit of \$54,000 was recorded for the year to 31 March 2020, of which \$32k was attributable to the hosting of the New Zealand Secondary Schools Champs in December 2019. The surplus allowed a much needed reinvestment of \$25k during the year into new equipment at Newtown Park, in addition to \$11k that was spent on maintenance.

The Athletics Wellington financial model used involves each of the three subcommittees largely operating autonomously, with the Board having its own budget but maintaining oversight (and a degree of control consistent with good governance) of the subcommittees. All external funding applications are signed off by the Board.

Income from athlete levies was slightly up on the prior year at \$46k due to higher registration numbers. Significant funding (\$25k) has again come from NZ Community Trust for the Sport Development Manager role.

Sanction fee income from Round the Bays was again \$10k off the back of Athletics Wellington helping with the event. \$10k was received from Lion Foundation towards Newtown Park hire costs, which was very gratefully received. Grants from Pelorus Trust (\$1k), Four Winds (\$2k) and Infinity Foundation (\$2k) were received to help with staging



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of the New Zealand Secondary Schools Champs. A grant of \$6k from Four Winds helped with the travel costs for the Junior Interprovincial Team that competed in April 2019.

\$14k was received from allowing Athletics Wellington's equipment (with support from Officials) at Newtown Park to be used by other track users (mainly schools).

The main areas of expenditure during the year were the Sport Development Manager position (\$43k), Depreciation of Newtown Park equipment (\$10k), hire of Newtown Park from Wellington City Council (\$11k) and subsidies for our representative teams (\$18k, offset by the \$6k Four Winds grant).

## **Questions from the floor**

There were some questions from the floor – one about what an adequate cash reserve figure would be (response approx. \$130-\$150K) and also about equipment expenditure that will arise soon

## **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

The Chair said that in accordance with the constitution, a President is to be elected at the AGM. As no other nominations received current president Louise Evans-Macdonald is automatically elected

The Chair advised that in accordance with the constitution, the Board is to comprise of four members elected by the AGM at any one time. Other members are appointed by the Board. The Board nominated a new Board member, Josh Ledger for election, thereby ensuring four elected members are represented on the Board.

Josh was successfully elected.

## **LIFE MEMBERSHIP**

Todd Stevens was awarded life membership of Athletics Wellington. Todd's medal will be presented at the Athletics Wellington Awards Evening on August 27<sup>th</sup>.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business

## **CLOSURE**

In closing the Chair extended thanks to those on the committees for their contribution to the governance of our sport, and asked the community all be kind to each other is helping the sport to succeed to where it belongs.

The Chair thanked those attending and declared the meeting closed at approx. 8.40 pm.