



SYDNEY HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

(INC)

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held

Tuesday 8th December 2020

Banskia Room, QuayCentre (SOP)

Meeting Opened by Chairman at 7.05 pm and the President welcomed all attendees and noted their efforts in a difficult but successful season.

1. **ATTENDANCE:** Luke Fleming (Bentstix), David Slater (Briars)
Jamie Glister (Easts/SES), Craig Martin (Glebe), Laurie Street (Monterey)
John Walzak (Moorebank-Liverpool), Damian Dorman (Northern Districts)
David Campbell (NWS-BH), Andrew Ramsey (Ryde HH), Tony Furner
(StG/Randwick/SES), John Mulcair (Sutherland), Eliza Roche (Sydney Uni)
Paul Economides (UTS),

Board: Peter Busch, Bruce Cook, Rohan McCoy, Ken Campbell
Alan O'Connell, Corinne Rochester

Executive Officer: Peter Hayes

Clubs and Life

Members: M Dawson, Bruce Cook, P McCabe

Visitors: Chris Hawkins (Nth Districts)

Apologies: Robbie Sutton, Janice Tully, Kevin Flack, John Scott

Absent Clubs: Bankstown, Baulkham Hills, Manly-GNS, Macquarie
Uni, Tartans

2. **UNFINANCIAL CLUBS – All Clubs Financial**
3. **CONFIRMATION OF 68th AGM MINUTES – 11th November 2019**

Motion: "That the formal minutes of the 68th Annual General Meeting
11th November 2019 be accepted as a true record"

Moved: Alan O'Connell **Seconded:** David Slater **Carried**

4. **BUSINESS ARISING – Nil**

5. 2020 ANNUAL REPORT

Presidents Report – Presented by Peter Busch and as appears in the Annual Report. Peter spoke to his report by emphasising the unusual year and congratulated all clubs on the safe way they approached completing the short 2020 season. Peter expressed that the whole Hockey community were indebted to the many volunteers who provided the COVID-19 Safety plans and actions at the venues. If there was a silver lining to the year, it was Live Streaming of regular Competition games. Peter congratulated Peter Hayes on his high standard of work in a difficult year to organise, Peter thanked Bruce & Robbie & the Officiating Committee in working hard in maintaining a high standard/coverage of Matches in 2020

Finance Report – Rohan McCoy presented the Finance Report/Statement. Rohan noted due to the un-usual season with late receipt of invoices, the accounts were currently with the auditor. Rohan discussed the unaudited statement, that showed a \$6508.61 deficit for the year. Rohan answered questions from the floor (Paul Economides) that the statement showed after 'Balance Day events' were to be included in the SH financial year, so to ensure all expenses related to the current season. David Slater asked a question regarding 2021 budget; was answered with expectation of similar costs as was intended at the beginning of 2020, prior to the Covid close down

Motions: Rohan moved that his report based on the unaudited report be accepted & Peter also moved that the Presidents report be accepted 2nd M Dawson, carried. (audited report to be forwarded as soon as available)

6. ELECTION OF BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OFFICERS (4)

Formal nominations were received in writing prior to the closing date and those nominees are duly elected to the SHA Board

Positions vacant:

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| Vice President | 2 Year Term |
| Director of Admin | 2 Year Term |
| Director (2) | 2 Year Term |

The following elected for these positions

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| Vice President | Bruce Cook |
| Director of Admin | Alan O'Connell |
| Director 1 | Corinne Rochester |
| Director 2 | Robbie Sutton |

Motion: "That all nominees be appointed"

Moved: Peter Busch **Seconded:** John Mulcair **Carried**

7. Notices of Motion - Nil

8. General Business -

- Peter Busch spoke on a proposal to make greater use of Live Streaming on regular competition matches. Quotes from our current provider are cost effective. Ideas canvassed were Live streaming from just one venue (SOP). Streaming from many suburban venues would require additional costs of scaffolding. With streaming from one venue (Olympic pitch) would entail some clubs giving up one or more home matches. Discussion followed and different delegates were asked of their view. A number of clubs felt there clubs were not in a position to give up home games for a variety of reasons. where as others were willing to host live streaming.
- David Campbell, (NWS-BH) suggested that SH develop a cost proposal for the clubs and clubs to co-operatively choose matches to live stream once the Draw for the season was known. It was noted by Bruce Cook that the Draw would need to remain same without change once published. This was agreed by the meeting.
- Proposed dates for the 2021 season were discussed. Feedback from SWHL indicates difficulty with aligning Darby Days – uncertain for 2021
- Jamie Glister (SES) gratefully noted that Peter & Revolutionise worked hard to ensure a competent transition for the new entities in using the Revolutionise program
- John Mulcair (Sutherland) asked about photos as part of the registration process – PH noted that while this is a function in the program, only those with Admin rights can view the photos. It was also mentioned any program changes now go through HA after taking on the program to use Australia wide.
- Damian Dorman (Northern Districts) questioned the ideal number of teams in PL grades. PB answered that the board were not limiting the total number of teams and emphasised that that SH maintained a moral responsibility to have as many play the game as possible.

Meeting Closed - 7.55pm

**Peter Busch
President Sydney Hockey**