



Minutes of the 28th Annual General Meeting

Friday 26th September 2014

Held at the Badminton Centre, Hummell Way, Doncaster. Vic. 3108

Opening: The Meeting was declared open by the President at 7.45pm

Present : The following 41 members signed the attendance register.

Simon GAN	Charles LEE	May GAN	May Li CHUA	Mel LIU	David TAY	Jenny MORCOM
Kar CHONG	Gyllis JOHNS	John QUAY	Doreen CHUA	Pen HO	Loi HO	Ann HELLINGS
James LOW	Barney GAN	Lee HILLS	Michael LIEW	John KOK	Valerie KOE	Hon Kim KONG
Michael CHIN	Alex CHEN	Kong TUNG	Frankie LIM	Andy CHIN	George LIM	Kum Wah LOW
Hun LOW	Eddie TIONG	Peter KWEE	Murina KWEE	Ming CHU	Eric CHUA	Beng Teng ONG
Allan CHEAH	Richard LOH	Sharon WU	Anita POON	Fan LEE	Eddie TEH	

Apologies: Peter Traill, Tony Whitmarsh, Graeme Harding, Yew Ming, Deirdre Barnard, Chris Lee, Jonathan Yan, Terence Chiu, Adrian Wu, Carol Wu, Lesley French, David Pang and John Liew.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

Motion "THAT the Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting and Special General Meeting held on 27th September 2013 be accepted as a true record of what transpired at the meeting.

Moved: George LIM Seconded: Alex CHEN. On a show of hands CARRIED with no one dissenting.

Committee Report:

The President, Charles Lee, apologised to Ann Hellings for omitting her name from the Supervisors list in the Committee Report for the second time in a row. The report had been distributed to all Members earlier in the month.

Charles thanked John Liew for his contribution to the Club whilst on the Committee before work commitments took him interstate.

Charles then called for questions from the floor.

There being no questions Ming Chu gave a short update to the members present on the Facility Users Agreement with Manningham YMCA (MYMCA) and the Joint Use Agreement with the School (DPS) and Manningham City Council (MCC). Ming explained the former manager of the stadiums (MRA) had accumulated more than 1 million dollars in reserve and the DTBA Hall has approximately \$200,000.00 of that pool which can be spent on maintenance items at the Hall. A list of suggested items has been given to the MCC. The Council has tendered out the contract to MYMCA. The current contract with MYMCA is up to January 2016. There will be an option for another 3 year term at the end of the current Agreement. Yearly access fees will increase each year in line with the CPI plus 1% GST. Ming also reported that during this time the Doncaster Primary School has taken the opportunity to consider introducing a Licencing Agreement. This will apply only to the two daytime sessions and an amount is yet to be determined.

Questions were then taken.

1. Simon Gan asked about the time of the contract with MYMCA.

Ming said the contract was for 3+3+3 with the MYMCA.

Ming spoke of meeting with the CEO of MCC who had given assurances that the MCC will support the Club remaining at Hummell Way.

2. Kong Tung asked Ming to explain the effect on the income stream for the loss of coaching sessions that the new school access hours will have.

Ming advised the school had changed their hours of use from 8.30am – 4.00pm to 7.30am-4.30pm. This will impact on the hire to professional coaches. This is because their After School Program has increased in numbers, the loss of portable classrooms and the program now requires access to the Hall, toilets and kitchen. This would impact on court hiring after school and before the nightly social sessions.

3. Simon asked if the new times would affect the Club's sessions during the school holidays. Ming advised nothing has been signed off and this should not impact on our program. Ming also said that by DTBA using the hall two mornings per week the DPS had the use of the Hall for up to 8 nights a year.

Motion "THAT the Committee Report be received"

Moved: Michael LIEW

Seconded: Simon GAN

Carried

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer, Kar Chong noted the financial report for 2012-2013 had been distributed to members.

1. Alex Chen noted the participation rates are well down and the usage of shuttle cocks has risen.

Kar explained the number of shuttle cocks used is not driven by the number of people at a session providing the number is 24 and above. He also said there had been a 10% increase in the cost of shuttles.

Presentation of Life Membership .

Jenny Morcom presented Simon Gan with his Life Membership Award.

Simon thanked everyone for the award and said it was an honour and privilege to be awarded Life Membership and he would continue to offer his services to the Club.

MOTION "THAT the Treasurer's Report be received".

Moved: Alex CHEN

Seconded: John KOK

Carried

Proposed Increase in Membership Fees.

The Committee proposed increasing the yearly membership fee in January 2015. Adults from \$20.00 to \$25.00 and Juniors from \$12.00 to \$15.00. Charles said the committee decided to discuss this at the AGM and explained that only a small increase is needed to improve the income stream because of the loss of income from court hire and other badminton centres opening in nearby suburbs.

Much discussion took place.

1. Alex Chen suggested increasing playing fees.

President	Charles LEE	Ming CHU	Allan CHEAH	Elected
Vice President	Ming CHU	Charles LEE	Michael LIEW	Elected
Treasurer	Kar CHONG			Elected
Secretary	Jenny MORCOM			Elected
Committee	Mel LIU			
	Peter KWEE			Elected
	Simon GAN			Elected
	Hon Kim KONG			Elected
	Allan CHEAH			
	Michael CHIN			Elected
	Eddie TEH	Barney GAN		Eddie declined

The Returning Officer advised the Members a ballot would take place as only four committee positions were vacant. Upon completion of voting the Returning Officer adjourned to the Office to count the votes with assistance from Ann Hellings, Gyllis Johns and Jenny Morcom.

Peter Kwee, Simon Gan, Hon Kim Kong and Michael Chin were duly elected Committee Members.

Charles resumed the Chair. Charles congratulated the members elected to the Committee and encouraged those who did not succeed to try again next year.

Appointment of Auditor:

The Committee advised they were happy with the current Auditors, The Banks Group, and recommended the re-appointment of this firm. The Committee's recommendation was accepted on a show of hands with no dissenters.

Other Business: None

Closure:

The President declared the Meeting closed at 9.21pm when members adjourned for a light supper.

J. Morcom
Hon. Secretary