

MINUTES OF 2014 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF OWNZ

Date and time: Thursday 16th October, 2014 at 4.30pm.

Location: AUT Millennium Commonwealth Room, Level 1.

Roll Call: B Grieve SOW, D Sekone-Fraser CSI, S Sekone-Fraser OAWLA, R Mann WWA, E Keene NWC, A Cederman NWC, C Jessop NWC, J Hylkema NWC, L Taylor FSO, C McTaggart FSO, P Lawgun NLOW, I Lawgun NLOW, R Taylor NLOW, J Lawgun NLOW, S Kent POWC, A Storey NOW, T Gordon CCW, T Hughes CCW, J McTaggart FSO, M White OAWLA, M Young DHBC, E Pilkington DHBC, K Soffe NFTR, T Ball NFTR, L Hubbard GAC. Plus one other.

The attending Life Members were acknowledged: B Cameron, L Cameron, T Ebert, J Bolton, M Reid, G Marshall.

Apologies: J Edwards, A de Croos, J Eddy, M Spooner, M Soffe, C Abraham.

The minutes of the 2013 AGM which had been posted on the OWNZ website were accepted as a true and correct record. Moved G Marshall seconded by B Grieve.

The President's Report was delivered by Mike Reid. It covered all aspects of lifting during the year with emphasis on International performances. He praised the efforts of the selection panel and the support he had received from the Executive Group. Acceptance of the President's report was moved by R Patterson and seconded by J Moss. Passed.

At the conclusion of his report the President invited Richard Patterson to report on the development of the 2015 Strategic Management Plan. The attendees received this report enthusiastically but were not invited to comment or question at this meeting. They were invited to contact the EG or specifically Richard Patterson.

Margaret Spooner presented her final Treasurer's Report having resigned from her position at the October EG meeting. Margaret explained that this had been a difficult year and part of this was recorded in the auditors' report. From the auditors' report "Control over revenues from donations prior to being recorded is limited, and there are no practical audit procedures to determine the effects of this limited control. In this respect alone I have not obtained all the information and explanations that I have required." Margaret expressed the need for the incoming Treasurer and the EG to address this problem. It was moved by B Cameron and seconded by G Marshall that the Treasurers Report be accepted. The report was accepted.

T Ebert moved that the meeting acknowledge the tireless efforts Margaret had put in over the 5 years she had held this position. This motion was enthusiastically seconded by S Sekone and passed with considerable applause.

The Treasurer recommended that the subscription fees for 2015 remain the same as for 2014. The EG supported this recommendation and the meeting agreed.

Competition membership \$50

Secondary School Membership \$20

Ordinary membership \$30

Associate membership \$25 The entitlements for each group are explained on the registration page of the OWNZ website.

T Ebert presented the Selectors' report on behalf of the selection panel in which he commented on the large number (71) of lifters who had represented OWNZ at international competitions during the year and the bright future for our young lifters. The full report will be posted on the OWNZ website. The acceptance of the Report was moved by M Reid and seconded by J Moss. The motion was passed.

J Moss presented his High Performance Managers Report which has already been posted on the OWNZ website. This was a very impressive report covering all aspects pertaining to this position including the importance of establishing working relationships with national sporting bodies. The acceptance of the report was moved by M Reid, seconded by R Mann and passed by the meeting.

G Marshall presented the Referee Examiner's Report pointing to the increase in OWNZ qualified referees from 45 in 2013 to 70 in 2014. The full report will be placed on the OWNZ website. The acceptance of the report was moved by M Reid and seconded by T Hughes. Passed.

M Reid and G Marshall were confirmed as President and Vice President respectively as they were both unopposed in the recent election to the Executive Group. Acceptance moved by R Patterson and seconded by D Sekone-Fraser. Passed.

Hounsell Accounting were reappointed OWNZ auditors for 2015. G Marshall moved that the appointment of the 2015 auditors be left until the EG had appointed the new Treasurer but withdrew his motion after hearing from B Cameron and J McTaggart that the appointment of Hounsell Accounting should be made. B Cameron moved and seconded J McTaggart that Hounsell Accounting be appointed. Passed.

Remits suggesting changes to the Constitution and By Laws.

REMIT NUMBER 1: FROM OAWLA. PROPOSED BY MARIE SOFFE, SECONDED BY CHARLES ABRAHAM.

This remit was withdrawn at the request of the proposer and seconder.

REMIT NUMBER 2: TO ADD 18 d) to the OWNZ Constitution. Proposer Garry Marshall. Seconder Mike Reid.

18 d) MATCH FIXING, SPORT BETTING.

The following infringements will be dealt with under Clause 8, Withdrawal, Suspension or Termination of membership.

18 d.1) betting on any event under the jurisdiction of, or connected to OWNZ.

18 d.2). failing, for any money, benefit or reward to perform as reasonably expected to their abilities in, or withdrawing from, any match.

18 d.3). taking action to ensure the occurrence of a particular incident in a match, other than for legitimate tactical sporting reasons within the rules of weightlifting, for which a benefit is expected.

After brief discussion this remit was put and accepted.

REMIT NUMBER 3: Proposed by Garry Marshall. Seconder Douglas Sekone-Fraser.

Under Clause 11 c) ELECTION OF THE EXECUTIVE GROUP -REMOVE:

11 C. V. After the closing date for the receipt of nominations, voting papers will be sent to members with a closing date for their return.

11 c. vi Voters must sign and print their name on the voting paper.

11 c. vii Voting papers will be given to an independent scrutineer for counting. The election result will be announced at the AGM.

UNDER Clause 11 c) ELECTION OF THE EXECUTIVE GROUP – PROPOSED BY GARRY MARSHALL
SECONDED BY MIKE REID - ADD.

11 c. v. After the closing date for receipt of nominations, the OWNZ website will display the online voting form.

11 c. vi. Voters must print their name on the online voting form and give their OWNZ registration number.

11 c. vii. Completed voting forms will be sent to an independent scrutineer whose email address will be included on the voting form.

11 c. viii. The election result will be announced at the AGM.

After brief discussion regarding the printing of names on the voting form and how this would be actioned to which an explanation was given by D Sekone-Fraser the remit was put and accepted.

REMIT NUMBER 4: CLAUSE 11. OFFICERS OF OWNZ. PROPOSED BY GARRY MARSHALL, SECONDED BY JOHN MOSS.

Clause 11. d.ii.) Add the words “and the Treasurer” so that the clause will read “ The Executive Officer and the Treasurer shall be appointed by the Executive Group. Whether the Executive Officer and the Treasurer are Executive Group Members is at the discretion of the Executive Group.”

The remit was put and accepted.

REMIT NUMBER 5: TO LEGITIMIZE THE TREASURERS POSITION. PROPOSED GARRY MARSHALL.
SECONDED BY RICHARD PATTERSON.

Clause 11 OFFICERS OF OWNZ.- PROPOSER GARRY MARSHALL, SECONDER JOHN MOSS - ADD.

11 b.iii) Treasurer.

DELETE from 12 e.5.)" Manage the financial affairs of OWNZ." Removes this function from the duties of the EO.

ADD CLAUSE 12. f.) The Treasurer.

Add Clause 12.f.i) Manage the financial affairs of OWNZ.

The remit was put and accepted.

REMIT NUMBER 6. THE INTRODUCTION OF MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS TO BECOME AN OWNZ
SANCTIONED ASSOCIATION OR CLUB. PROPOSED BY RICHARD PATTERSON AND SECONDED BY
GARRY MARSHALL.

This remit was withdrawn at the request of the proposer and seconder as it was pointed out that it would be able to be included in the By Laws after more detailed information was added.

A bid to host the 2015 National Championships by Dark Horse Barbell Club and Wellington Weightlifting Association was accepted subject to the submission of an acceptable proposal to the EG before February 2015. The EO to provide the bidders with the host requirements and the results of discussions regarding the age groups and qualifying standards.

A bid to host the 2015 North Is Championships by Functional Strength Olympic, Auckland was accepted subject to the same provision as above.

A bid to host the 2015 South Is Championships by Uncut Barbell Club, Dunedin was accepted after hearing support from Southland and Canterbury. This bid is also subject to a satisfactory report being submitted to the EG by February 2015.

The 2015 Honorarium for the Executive Officer was set at \$4,000 as recommended by the EG..

General Business. There was discussion about the format for the 2015 Nationals and for the Secondary School Nationals but the decision was left to the EG who will communicate with all Secondary Schools and Clubs before finalizing.

Mention was made of the 2017 World Masters Games which will be held in Auckland. The established committee of Bruce Cameron, Tony Ebert and Lynn Cameron asked that all Associations and Clubs make every effort to encourage Masters lifters to compete.

The meeting closed at 6.30pm.

Garry Marshall

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