



MINUTES OF 2015 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF OLYMPIC WEIGHTLIFTING NEW ZEALAND

DATE AND TIME: Friday 2 October 2015 at 7pm

LOCATION: Wellington High School, Taranaki Street, Wellington

ROLL CALL: J Moss, E Pilkington, G Marshall, R Patterson, J Dempsey, S Sekone-Fraser, M White, C Helms, J Hylkema, D McCann, A Cederman, J Mallinson, S Mitchell-Findlater, S McCann, T Ball, K Soffe, S Kent, J Setefano, A Tuitupou, J Mason, P McCracken, M Dyson, B Grieve, L Attrill, J Matthews, K Furst-Jaeger, A Jameson, R Mann, A Ebert, J Edwards, A Hsu, C McTaggart, A Silveria, J Eddy

The attending Life Members were acknowledged: A Ebert and G Marshall

APOLOGIES: B Cameron, L Cameron, C Symon, J Ebert, M Reid, P Patterson, A Storey, P Silverman

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: In the absence of the President the report was read by R Patterson. It covered the successes for 2015, namely the increase in activity, the growth of affiliated lifters and new clubs and the number of new lifters to the sport. International successes were mentioned, both the Oceania/South Pacific Games and the Samoa Commonwealth Youth Games. Special mention was made about the continued work being done by our statician Ron Mann, and the newly appointed General Manager, Emma Pilkington. The report pointed to the need to continue strategies to maintain the flow of lifters through the key transition points. They are School to Youth Nationals, Youth to Junior and Junior through to Elite Senior. The President made mention of the fact that he would be unlikely to seek re-election when his term expires in 2016.

Finally he thanked all the helpers who had helped organise and run events throughout the year, whatever the volunteers did he thanked them for doing it because they helped make 2015 a very successful year.

The full report will be on the OWNZ website.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Financial Statement was read by R Patterson and as the Auditor's Report was not available it was moved by G Marshall and seconded

by A Ebert that the report be accepted and confirmed by the EG when the Report becomes available.

The report and the motion were accepted.

The Treasurer had tendered her resignation as of 2 October 2015 and J Moss moved that the meeting acknowledge the enthusiasm and accurate monthly reporting that P Patterson had brought to this position.

The motion was seconded by A Ebert and passed unanimously.

The Treasurer recommended that the subscription fees for 2016 remain the same as for 2015. The EG supported this recommendation and the meeting agreed.

Club membership - \$100.00

Competition membership - \$50.00

Secondary School membership - \$20

Ordinary membership - \$30.00

Associate membership - \$25.00

The entitlements for each group are explained on the Registration page of the OWNZ website.

SELECTORS' REPORT: A Ebert presented the Selectors' Report on behalf of the selection panel in which he outlined the successes of 2015 and commented on the good work done by his co-selectors J Moss and T Prendergast.

J Dempsey moved that the Selectors' Report be accepted and the motion was seconded by J Matthews. The meeting accepted the report.

HIGH PERFORMANCE MANAGER'S REPORT: J Moss presented a lengthy report in which he stated that 2015 had served a dual purpose. It has allowed some senior athletes to take stock as they prepare for next year's Olympics and out to the 2018 Commonwealth Games. It has also allowed many others to represent New Zealand for the first time. And looking ahead he expected that High Performance will be one of several areas that will have special initiatives attached to them in the OWNZ Strategic Plan. The full report is on the OWNZ website.

REFEREE'S EXAMINER'S REPORT: G Marshall presented his report in which he mentioned the need for OWNZ Level 1 Referees need to look at possible promotion to IWF Category 2 status. He also commented on the number of IWF Category 1 Referees who have officiated at international competitions during 2015.

B Grieve moved the acceptance of the report which was seconded by M Dyson and accepted by the meeting.

The Referees Examiner's report is on the OWNZ website.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT: E Pilkington presented her report covering funding applications, finding sponsors, with specific mention of Industrial Athletic and Cobra Clothing. The results of the Talent Identification Programme were announced. The North Island winning club was Papatoetoe High School, and the South Island winning club Southland Olympic Weightlifting. Both clubs received an ZKC weight set & barbell. Additional mention was made of the sterling efforts of the Netfit Training Room who tested 200+ school pupils.

It was moved by J Mason and seconded by B Grieve that the the General Manager's report be accepted. The motion was accepted by the members. The full report is on the OWNZ website.

RESULTS OF THE NORTH ISLAND DELEGATE'S ELECTION: R Mann presented the results with J Moss and S Kent being the successful candidates. He commented on the low number of votes recorded, approximately 1/3 of eligible voters.

T Ball moved that a vote of thanks be given to K Soffe for the work she had done as a North Island delegate over the past two years. The motion was seconded by R Patterson and supported by the meeting.

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR: It was decided by the meeting that the appointment of an Auditor would be left until after the appointment of a new Treasurer.

REMITTS: There were no remits amending or adding to the OWNZ Constitution.

LIFE MEMBERS: The EG recommended Life Membership be granted to T Ball and R Mann. G Marshall gave a brief summary of the work and commitment to our sport of weightlifting given by both recipients. The nominees for Life Membership were accepted with acclaim by the members.

SETTING OF HONORARIUM: The EG recommended that the Executive Officer's honorarium remain at \$4000 per annum and that \$500 honorarium annually be granted to the OWNZ statistician. It was moved by A Jameson that the meeting accept these recommendations. The motion was seconded by K Soffe and accepted by the members.

PRESENTATION OF THE 2016 – 2020 OWNZ STRATEGIC PLAN: The plan was presented by E Pilkington and she requested that question be asked at any time and for EG members to add to her comments. There were enthusiastic comments from members, particularly related to relationships between Associations and Clubs. The importance of establishing Key Performance Indicators was mentioned and the need to assess performance in all areas on a regular basis. The General Manager did not wish the Strategic Plan to be accepted by the members at this stage. The final plan will be delivered to members at a later date. The draft Strategic Plan will be on the OWNZ website.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Patron: The Executive Officer stated that he had not been able to make contact with the current Patron, Les Mills CNZM, MBE, to determine his availability to continue in this role.

Bids for 2016 competitions: OWNZ 2016 National Championships will be held at the Millenium Institute of Sport, Auckland,
North Island Championships – R Patterson to contact Bay of Plenty Barbell Club to assess their thoughts.

Bids for the South Island Championships are open with no bids coming from the floor.

Youth Nationals – will be held by OWA with venue and dates to be decided.

2016 National Masters – joint event FSO and OWA, with a venue and date to be decided.

National Secondary Schools – to be decided

The meeting closed at 9.30pm.