



ITTF-Oceania Management Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday 10th of June 2020

Location: Skype ITTF-Oceania MC Group Chat

Time: 15:00 Australian Central Daylight Time

15:30 Australian Eastern Standard Time & PNG Time

16.30 New Caledonia Time

17.30 Fiji, Kiribati, Nauru, New Zealand & Tuvalu Time

19.30 Cook Islands & Tahiti Time on Tuesday 9th of June

1. Meeting Open & Welcome by Chairman

- Mr. Ho opened the meeting at 15:31 Australian Eastern Standard Time and welcomed all ITTF-Oceania MC members.

2. Roll Call

2.1. In attendance

- Anthony Ho (President), Tearoa Iorangi, Graeme Ireland, Paul Kyle, Xuan (Carolyn) Li (Treasurer), Sarah Sandley, Cathy Gauthier, Tearo Le Caill, Scott Houston, Alan Resture & George Shao. Therefore, a quorum was achieved with 11 out of 13 MC members.

2.2. Also, in Attendance

- Ryan Wiegand (Secretary), Barry Griffiths (General Manager) & Corentin Bonnegent (Intern & French Translator).

2.3. Apologies

- Nil.

2.4. Absent

- Choy Freddy & Reagan Moses.

3. Minutes & Actions

3.1. Minutes of Previous Meeting – 8th April 2020 MC Meeting

- Minutes from 8/04/2020 were moved by Mr Ireland and seconded by Ms Li.

Resolution #1:

8th April 2020 ITTF-Oceania MC Meeting:

The ITTF-Oceania MC Members approved the 8th April 2020 ITTF-Oceania MC Meeting minutes.



3.2. Schedule of Actions from Previous Meeting

- The ITTF-Oceania MC Meeting reviewed the previous schedule of actions still outstanding.

3.3. Conflict of Interest Register

- No additions or amendments.

4. Governance

4.1. 2020 ITTF-Oceania Annual General Meeting (AGM) & proposed Special General Meeting (SGM)

- The ITTF-Oceania MC reviewed the requisitions being put forward for the proposed 2020 ITTF-Oceania SGM from the ITTF-Oceania MC.
- The ITTF-Oceania MC tried gaining support within the meeting to get a requisition submitted by not less than one-quarter (1/4) of the Associations not in arrears as per the ITTF-Oceania Constitution however there were not enough MC Members who could give such support on behalf of their Member Association. Therefore, this will be done after the meeting in writing.

4.2. MC appointment of scrutineers for the 2020 ITTF-Oceania AGM.

- Mr. Wiegand gave a recommendation to the ITTF-Oceania MC, recommending the MC endorse Mr. Gary O'Donnell (General Manager at Volleyball Queensland) and Mr. Lukas Kozak (Centre Manager at Gold Coast Table Tennis Association) to be put forward as scrutineers to the 2020 ITTF-Oceania SGM if required and the 2020 ITTF-Oceania AGM. Both these scrutineers do not have links with any ITTF-Oceania Member Association.
- The ITTF-Oceania MC asked Mr. Wiegand to make sure he has a backup, e.g. a neighbour in case the 2020 ITTF-Oceania SGM & AGM does not approve the scrutineer candidates.

Resolution #2:

2020 ITTF-Oceania SGM & AGM scrutineers:

The ITTF-Oceania MC Members approved for Mr Gary O'Donnell and Mr Lukas Kozak to be put forward to the 2020 ITTF-Oceania SGM & AGM as scrutineers.

- The ITTF-Oceania MC agreed that with Mr Wiegand and Mr Corentin Bonnegent, there was nothing more that can be done to ensure the 2020 ITTF-Oceania SGM & AGM/elections run smoothly.



5. General Manager Report

5.1. General Managers Report as circulated

- Mr. Griffiths gave an update on his General Managers report to the ITTF-Oceania MC Members.

5.1.1. Legal opinion on the 2020 ITTF-Oceania AGM, propositions and MC elections

- Mr. Griffiths shared legal advice on how the 2020 ITTF-Oceania SGM – propositions and 2020 ITTF-Oceania AGM – propositions and MC elections shall be handled.
- It was asked why an SGM would be needed. The reason was for in order to make slight changes to the ITTF-Oceania Constitution so that certain clauses would hopefully align closer to other clauses in the ITTF-Oceania Constitution

5.1.2. Meeting update with the ITTF on events, HPD and current agreements

- Mr. Griffiths and Mr. Wiegand gave an update to the ITTF-Oceania MC Members on a meeting held between Mr. Ho, Mr. Griffiths, Mr. Wiegand and ITTF staff looking at how ITTF-Oceania events can go ahead and if not how they will be postponed to be later in 2020 or in early 2021.
- The 2020 ITTF-Oceania Cup must be held by the 31st August 2020 if the Men's and Women's Singles winner were to qualify for the 2020 ITTF Men's and Women's World Cup. The 2020 ITTF-Oceania Junior Championships must be held by the 27th September 2020 if the Junior Boys' and Girls' Team winners were to qualify for the 2020 ITTF World Junior Championships.
- ITTF agreements are on hold until the COVID-19 situation becomes more clear moving forward however will ITTF will continue to support ITTF-Oceania events if they can be held in 2020.

5.1.3. Events activity

- Mr. Wiegand gave an update to the ITTF-Oceania MC Members on the postponement of 2020 ITTF-Oceania events due to COVID-19. No event dates to be released until international travel restrictions are lifted in Australia and other ITTF-Oceania countries.

5.1.4. HPD activity

- Mr. Griffiths gave an update to the ITTF-Oceania MC Members on the HPD activities and advised that ITTF have cut 2020 ITTF Development funding except for 2019 carryover funding.



6. Finance

6.1. Adoption of the 2019 ITTF-Oceania audited accounts

- Mr. Ho advised as per the MC Charter that the 2019 ITTF-Oceania management letter and audited accounts that the ITTF-Oceania Management
- It was asked why the auditor mentioned COVID-19 in the management committee members' report which sounds like a very dull outlook and that any potential investors get turned away on.
- There was also a question why the statement of changes in equity started from February 2018. This was due to ITTF-Oceania having been unincorporated prior to February 2018 and becoming incorporated in Queensland in February 2018.
- Moved by Mr. Houston and seconded by Miss Li.

Resolution #3:

Adoption of the 2019 ITTF-Oceania management letter and audited accounts:

The ITTF-Oceania MC Members unanimously approved the adoption of the 2019 ITTF-Oceania management letter and 2019 ITTF-Oceania audited accounts.

6.2. ATO disclosure for \$113,000 term deposit

- Discussion around an investment paper/strategy suggested by ITTF-Oceania's Accounting partner.
- Mr. Kyle suggested that the \$113,000 should have already been separated and placed in a fixed term bank account on an annual rollover and to remain until the ATO liability in our balance sheet is satisfied (7 years, with 6 years remaining).
- Mr. Kyle suggested that he would be happy to review the proposition passed at the last meeting from "fixed for 1 year" to allow flexibility in obtaining the best investment rates, be it for 6 months or two years, with the critical fact that it is to remain to ensure that current and past ITTF-Oceania MC members can retain comfort should they resign, not re-stand or not be elected that they have no future personal liability.
- It was noted that this was a discussion about the other surplus funds ITTF-Oceania had, and that Mr. Gleeson from Sports Accounting Australia was asking if ITTF-Oceania could invest the surplus funds elsewhere. The ITTF-Oceania MC agreed in principle that it would be smart to look for the best possible rate, and Mr. Kyle reiterated, all surplus can be invested, except the \$113,000 must remain separated.
- Moved by Mr. Ireland and seconded by Mr. Shao.



Resolution #4:

Surplus funds to be invested into the best term deposits available:

The ITTF-Oceania MC Members approved for Sports Accounting Australia to invest surplus funds into the best term deposits available through the term deposit shop.

6.3. May 2020 Financial Report update

- Mr. Ho gave an overview of the May 2020 Financial Report.

Resolution #5:

May 2020 Financial Report Update:

The ITTF-Oceania Management Committee Members ratified the May 2020 Financial Report.

6.4. 2020 ITTF-Oceania budget update

- Mr. Griffiths shared a worst and mid case budget scenario that ITTF-Oceania is facing from COVID-19.
- It was agreed that Mr. Griffiths cuts expenses further and presents new budget scenarios via email to all ITTF-Oceania MC Members.

7. Other Business

7.1. World Table Tennis (WTT) Forum

- Mr. Kyle has advised that he has asked the ITTF questions in regards to WTT and that he is very much aligned to others that were in attendance at the WTT Forum, especially European countries who have been very vocal and who still seek answers in regard to how WTT will work and be setup as an entity.
- There are many concerns about the structure of WTT, its governance appointments and also the 212-page WTT event requirements. The requirements are so restrictive that larger nations have not formalised any bid for future events, and therefore ITTF-Oceania could not possibly entertain anything of this scale outlined in these WTT documents.
- The ITTF-Oceania MC agreed that these events have a high risk and that ITTF-Oceania is not in that space at the moment.

7.2 Double Fish Invoice

- Mr. Griffiths advised that the ITTF are still after a solution with the Double Fish invoice from the 2018 & 2019 ITTF World Tour Platinum Australia Open and that it remains active.



- Mr. Griffiths advised the ITTF and Double Fish that the ITTF-Oceania MC declined paying this invoice. Communication is ongoing.

7.3 2020 ITTF-Oceania Cup (Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea)

- Mr. Shao advised that the Papua New Guinea Table Tennis Federation still wants to hold the 2020 ITTF-Oceania Cup however Mr. Shao is waiting to hear back from the Papua New Guinea government in relation to border restrictions due to COVID-19.

8. Date of Next Meeting

- To be confirmed after the 2020 ITTF-Oceania AGM.

9. Meeting Closed

- 17:46 Australian Eastern Standard Time.

Approved
A. Lytho
18/09/2020