



2022 ITTF-Oceania Annual General Meeting Minutes

Date: Saturday 30th April 2022
Location: 60-62 Crystal Brook Road, New Beith, Queensland, 4124, Australia and via online video conferencing on Microsoft Teams
Time: 9:00 Australian Eastern Standard Time (AEST)

1. Meeting Open & Welcome by Chairman

- Mr. Ireland opened the meeting at 9:05 AEST and welcomed all the ITTF-Oceania Member Associations, ITTF-Oceania Personal Honorary Members, ITTF-Oceania MC Members and other invited guests in attendance to this meeting.

2. Roll Call

2.1. Roll Call of Member Associations

- Australia – Mr. Graham Symons (Delegate) & Mr. Anthony Moore (Second Delegate)
- Fiji – Mr. Narendra Lal (Delegate) & Mr. Steve Reilly (Second Delegate)
- Guam – Mr. James Ji Jr (Delegate)
- Kiribati – Mr. Tabotabo Auatabu (Delegate)
- Marshall Islands – Mr. Dimitrius Tarkwon (Delegate)
- Nauru – Mr. Reagan Moses (Delegate)
- New Caledonia – Mr. Patrick Gillmann (Delegate)
- New Zealand – Mr. Warren Ogilvie (Delegate)
- Palau – Ms. Mitsue Toribiong (Delegate) & Ms. Rimuu Watanabe (Second Delegate)
- Samoa – Mr. Frankie Cai (Delegate)
- Solomon Islands – Ms. Fay Indu Ghemu (Delegate)
- Tahiti – Mr. Alize Belrose (Delegate)
- Tonga – Mr. Joh Fifita (Delegate)
- Vanuatu – Ms. Anolyn Lulu (Delegate)

It was determined that there were 14 ITTF-Oceania Member Associations present received for a total of 14 votes.

2.2. Apologies

- Cook Islands
- Northern Mariana Islands
- Papua New Guinea
- Tuvalu
- Wallis & Futuna
- Ms. Sarah Sandley (Deputy President & MC Member)
- Mr. Scott Houston (MC Member)
- Mr. Neil Harwood (Personal Honorary Member)
- Mr. Geoff Rau (Personal Honorary Member)

2.3. Also Present:

- Mr. Graeme Ireland (President & MC Member)
- Miss Carolyn Li (Treasurer & MC Member)



- Mr. Trevor Hirth (Athletes Commission Representative)
- Mr. Phil Males (Personal Honorary Member)
- Mr. James Morris (Personal Honorary Member Candidate)
- Mr. Ryan Wiegand (Secretary & Events Manager)
- Mr. Barry Griffiths (Chief Executive Officer)
- Mr. Sam Davey (Smash Down Barriers Program Manager)
- Mr. Steve Dainton (ITTF Chief Executive Officer)
- Mr. Raul Calin (ITTF Secretary General)
- Mr. Mounir Bessah (ITTF Member Relations Director)

3. Minutes & Actions

3.1. The confirmation of the minutes and business arising from the 2021 ITTF-Oceania Annual General Meeting

- No comments.
- Minutes from 2021 ITTF-Oceania Annual General Meeting were moved by Australia and seconded by Fiji.

Resolution #1:

2021 ITTF-Oceania Annual General Meeting Minutes

The ITTF-Oceania Members unanimously approved the 2021 ITTF-Oceania Annual General Meeting minutes.

4. 2021 Reports

4.1. 2021 Annual Report – Mr Graeme Ireland & Mr Barry Griffiths

- Mr. Griffiths, Mr. Wiegand and Mr. Sam Davey gave an overview of the 2021 ITTF-Oceania Annual Report.
- Mr. Griffiths thanked all of ITTF-Oceania's International and Regional Partners especially the ITTF, IOC and Olympic Solidarity, IPC and AGITOS Foundation, Oceania National Olympic Committee, Organisation of Sports Federations of Oceania, Oceania Paralympic Committee, Pacific Games Council, Australian Government – Department of Foreign Affairs and GHD, New Zealand Government, Queensland Government, DHS, Double Fish, Stag and Tibhar.
- Mr. Griffiths thanked the ITTF-Oceania Management Committee for their support and to Miss Jessica MacAskill who recently resigned from her role of ITTF-Oceania High Performance & Development Manager.
- The 2021 ITTF-Oceania Annual Report was moved by New Zealand and seconded by Solomon Islands.

Resolution #2:

2021 ITTF-Oceania Annual Report

The ITTF-Oceania Members adopted the 2021 ITTF-Oceania Annual Report.



5. Audited Financial Statements & Balance Sheet

5.1. 2021 Financial Report – Mr Graeme Ireland & Mr Barry Griffiths

- Mr. Griffiths gave an overview of the 2021 ITTF-Oceania Audited Financial Statements and Balance Sheet.
- The 2021 ITTF-Oceania Audited Financial Statements & Balance Sheet were moved by New Zealand and seconded by Tonga.

Resolution #3:

2021 ITTF-Oceania Audited Financial Statements & Balance Sheet

The ITTF-Oceania Members adopted the 2021 ITTF-Oceania Audited Financial Statements & Balance Sheet.

6. Membership Fees

6.1. No membership fee changes received

- Mr. Ireland suggested that ITTF-Oceania will continue to not charge any membership fees to ITTF-Oceania Member Associations in 2022.
- New Caledonia asked why the ITTF is charging affiliation fees directly to Member Associations (MAs) now as ITTF-Oceania used to pay this fee on behalf of MAs and if there could be a way of paying the ITTF affiliation fee a different way than an international bank transfer due to the high cost of this. New Caledonia had to pay a \$100 USD international transfer fee when paying the ITTF Affiliation Fee.
- Mr. Griffiths mentioned that four ITTF-Oceania Member Associations have paid the ITTF affiliation fee so far.
- Mr. Griffiths advised that there has been an ongoing discussion between ITTF-Oceania and ITTF in regard to ITTF changing the way they charge ITTF affiliation fees to MAs. Due to the ITTF Participation program requiring MAs to be in good standing with the ITTF, the ITTF agreed recently that ITTF-Oceania can continue paying MAs affiliation fees to ITTF. Therefore, ITTF-Oceania has paid the remaining twenty MAs outstanding ITTF affiliation fees for 2022.
- Mr. Griffiths mentioned the unfortunate situation that has now occurred with the four MAs having already paid their ITTF affiliation fee and stressed that ITTF-Oceania does not charge any fees to be an ITTF-Oceania member.
- Mr. Bessah from the ITTF explained how in the ITTF Handbook it mentions that all MAs are to pay the affiliation fee to ITTF each year but has been complicated in the past by having continental federations collect the ITTF affiliation fee on ITTF's behalf. Moving forward, ITTF would prefer having direct contact between the MA and ITTF themselves but will allow ITTF-Oceania to pay the 2022 ITTF affiliation fees due to the payment difficulties for Oceania MAs.
- Mr. Ireland asked for the future if there is some other way MAs can pay the ITTF affiliation fee, so no bank fee is charged. Mr. Bessah said that MAs can pay via a credit card to solve this issue.
- Mr. Ireland suggested that the ITTF-Oceania Management Committee look to raise a credit for any affiliation and transfer fees



charged to the four MAs (Australia, Cook Islands, New Caledonia and New Zealand) when they made the 2022 ITTF affiliation fee payment to the ITTF.

- Moved by New Zealand and seconded by Tonga.

Resolution #4:

2022 ITTF-Oceania Membership Fees

The ITTF-Oceania Members approved to not charge any membership fees for ITTF-Oceania Member Associations in 2022.

7. Election of Personal Honorary Members

7.1. Nominations received from the ITTF-Oceania Management Committee for Mr Graeme Ireland (AUS) & Mr James Morris (NZL)

- Mr. Ireland advised that two nominations were received from the ITTF-Oceania Management Committee for Mr. Graeme Ireland (AUS) and for Mr. James Morris (NZL).
- Mr. Phil Males (ITTF-Oceania Personal Honorary Member) spoke on behalf of Mr. James Morris on his contribution to ITTF-Oceania for more than 40 years.
- Mr. Patrick Gillmann (ITTF-Oceania Personal Honorary Member) spoke on behalf of Mr. Graeme Ireland on his contribution to ITTF-Oceania for more than 25 years.

Resolution #5:

ITTF-Oceania Personal Honorary Membership

The ITTF-Oceania Members unanimously approved for Mr. Graeme Ireland and Mr. James Morris to become ITTF-Oceania Personal Honorary Members.

8. Propositions and other Relevant Business

8.1. No propositions received

- No propositions and other relevant business received.

9. Allocate the next ITTF-Oceania Championships and to agree on options to hold the Championships in the next six (6) years

9.1. No bids received due to ITTF event changes and COVID-19

- Mr. Ireland and Mr. Wiegand gave an overview of the ITTF-Oceania events to be held in 2022 and what events need a host for 2023 and beyond.



10. Any Other Business agreed by the Chairperson

10.1. Appointment of Auditor

- The ITTF-Oceania Member Associations were given numerous quotes for a new auditor. The recommendation from Mr. Griffiths and Sports Accounting Australia (ITTF-Oceania Accountant) was that ITTF-Oceania appoint Robson Advisory as the new ITTF-Oceania Auditor.
- 2022 ITTF-Oceania Auditor – Robson Advisory moved by New Zealand and seconded by Fiji.

Resolution #6:

2022 ITTF-Oceania Auditor

The ITTF-Oceania Members approved for the ITTF-Oceania Auditor to be Robson Advisory.

11. The election of President, ITTF Board Member and two Ordinary Member positions of the Management Committee

11.1. Nomination for President received from Table Tennis Australia for Mr Anthony Moore, nomination for ITTF Board Member received from Table Tennis Australia for Mr Scott Houston and nominations for ITTF-Oceania Ordinary Member received from Fiji Table Tennis Association for Mr Steve Reilly and from Tonga Table Tennis Federation for Mr Joh Fifita.

- Mr. Ireland congratulated Mr. Anthony Moore (Australia) on being appointed as the new ITTF-Oceania President unopposed.
- Mr. Ireland congratulated Mr. Scott Houston (Australia) on being appointed as the ITTF Board Member unopposed.
- Mr. Ireland congratulated Mr. Steve Reilly (Fiji) and Mr. Joh Fifita (Tonga) on being appointed as ITTF-Oceania Ordinary Members unopposed.
- Mr. Moore, Mr. Reilly and Mr. Fifita thanked ITTF-Oceania Member Associations for their support.

Resolution #7:

ITTF-Oceania Management Committee Election.

The ITTF-Oceania Member Associations unanimously appointed Mr Anthony Moore (Australia) as the new ITTF-Oceania President, appointed Mr Scott Houston as the ITTF Board Member and Mr Steve Reilly (Fiji) and Mr Joh Fifita (Tonga) as the ITTF-Oceania Ordinary Members until 2024.



12. Date of Next Meeting

12.1. 2023 ITTF-Oceania AGM to be confirmed

- Date and location to be decided by the ITTF-Oceania Management Committee in due course.

13. Meeting Close

- Mr. Ireland thanked everyone for their attendance and participation and closed the meeting at 10:20 AEST.

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