

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held Saturday 27 November 2021 at 6.30pm**

- WELCOME:** S Morgan (President) welcomed everyone to the AGM, which was combined with the Annual Awards function. He congratulated the club delegates, volunteers, staff and WBA Board members present for the manner in which they supported WBA during Covid-19 lockdown and reopening the stadium.
- PRESENT:** Patron (A Ulrich), Board (C Leydon-Davis, D Buckell, K Yew, L Lee, M Bala, R Virk, S Leydon-Davis), Life Members (M Smith), Staff (M Loh, T Hallam, M Bramley), Clubs including Cambridge (G Shaw, M Shaw), Hamilton (B Purdy), Hamilton Junior Training (M Li, Y Qin), Horsham Downs (Y Ennion, L Dawson, E Martin, L Martin, T Martin), Masters (M Njoman), Novice (H Truong, Kayla Do), Saturday (B Selva, SP Ramakrishnan), Te Awamutu (D Owen), Waikato Filipino Association (Dante Rosillo, Neil Basio), Inter-Association representatives (A Sison, C Johnson, G Li, H Walsh, J Wu, J Rajkumar, J Webber, P Liu, R Lee, W Mentzel, W Czyn, XC Zhou, YF Yew), junior representatives (A Truong, A Strauss, A Virk, C Guo, D Nguyen, E Liu, G Qin, J Chen, J Dutta, J Lee, K Fong, L Nielsen, L Qin, M Zhang, S Xia), and guests (C Goodin, F Chen, G Augustine, J Nguyen, J He, J Strauss, J Liu, L Mu, M Orr, M Yew, P Doehrn, R Dutta, S Nielsen, Y Fong).
- APOLOGIES:** Were received and accepted from Graham Roberts, Jocelyn Sylvester, Julie Bryan, Michelle Gaylor.
- MINUTES:** MINUTES: Moved L Dawson/C Leydon-Davis THAT the minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting held 9 December 2018 as distributed was a true and correct record.  
CARRIED
- MATTERS ARISING:** Nil
- ANNUAL REPORT:** M Loh welcomed all in attendance. M Loh recognised the board and their support throughout the year. C Leydon-Davis was especially thanked for her inputs, as she was retiring from the Board after many years of service. Recognition was given to all WBA teams, volunteers (coaches, managers, supporters) and especially staff for their perseverance and determination throughout the year in keeping WBA functioning to a high standard. M Loh asked if there were any questions on the annual report, none received.
- FINANCIAL REPORT/BUDGET:**  
M Loh asked if there were any questions on the financial report, none received.  
It was moved by R Virk/S Morgan THAT the 2021/2022 WBA Budget be adopted.  
CARRIED

HEALTH & SAFETY UPDATE: M Loh

- The floor resurfacing budgeted for over lockdown.
- Floors can get slippery – casual players to be requested to wear court shoes to minimise the risks. WBA welcomes donation of pre-loved court shoes to allow for casual hire.
- WBA working with Eastlink Badminton Society to upgrade the ablution block
- WBA working on updated H&S protocols and risk assessments around Covid-19 Protection Framework including use of vaccine passports for the future.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

S Morgan invited A Ulrich to continue in her post as Patron which was accepted. A Ulrich spoke, thanked the Board, staff, clubs and members for their valuable contribution to badminton in Waikato.

The following nominations were received and as these were the same number of Board vacancies, all were elected. A discussion was held to determine the Vice President, to which Rupinder accepted with thanks.

- President: Stu Morgan
- Vice President: Rupinder Virk
- Board Vacancies (2): Dominic Buckell, Susannah Leydon-Davis
- Independent Vacancy (2): To be appointed by the Board – Meera Bala, Tom Jarman

All the above was acknowledged by acclamation.

GENERAL BUSINESS: M Loh

- New club/community group policy developed and to be implemented in the new year, allowing for better transparency of roles and have better partnership to assist in the growth of the sport. Questions were welcome, none received.
- 2021 Voice of Participant survey showed great results, with strong participation rates from rangatahi and various ethnic demographics providing very positive feedback. A development area continues to be growing the coaching capacity and capability. Questions were welcome, none received.
- Introduction of new WBA logo and brand which moves away from similar designs of other badminton associations. The new logo is shaped like a shuttlecock, contains Waikato colours, WKO acronym and a koru-shaped cork. This was well received. Branding updates will be over time beginning with social media and formal documents, then moving to promotional material and uniforms. All players and supporters were encouraged to be proud of the logo representing who we are as a group.
- Final questions were welcome. L Martin thanked WBA for continuing to keeping badminton going in the region despite the challenges due to the pandemic.

CLOSING OF AGM: Meeting finished with a final thanks from S Morgan.

The meeting closed at 6.56pm.

Confirmed as a true and correct record this..... day of .....

Signed ..... President

