

2021 WA CRICKET ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING DRAFT MINUTES

The Annual General Meeting of the Western Australian Cricket Association Limited was held in the Boundary Room of the Lillie Marsh Stand, WACA Ground, East Perth, on Wednesday 6 October 2021 commencing at 6.00pm.

WELCOME

WA Cricket Chair Hon Tuck Waldron advised he will chair the meeting and welcomed all Members and attendees.

Mr Waldron advised notice of the meeting was provided to all Members in accordance with the Constitution.

Mr Waldron gave an Acknowledgment of Country.

Apologies and Tribute

88 eligible Members as per the attendance register were present, which provided a quorum necessary to conduct the meeting. There was 1 eligible proxy registered. 8 Members recorded an apology.

The Chair read the names of deceased Members:

- Joan Anderson
- Reginald W. Armstrong
- Charles L. Bladen
- Fred Buttsworth
- Jonathan K. Clarke
- Oscar D. Dixon
- David M. Evans
- John B. Evans
- Murray N. Ford
- John (Sam) B. Gannon
- Robert Grimm
- Michael Harben
- Hartley Joynt
- Ivan P. Lally
- Peter K. Lalor
- John M. Leach
- John E. Moon
- Alison J. Newark
- James Newbound
- Vincent Oswald
- Kenneth Pages-Oliver
- John Paterson
- Antony C. Rawson
- Glenis Stephenson

- Kim J. Taggart
- Elwyn V. Taylor
- Kingsley W. Waterhouse

A minute's silence was observed as a mark of respect for all deceased Members.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held 23 September 2020 - tabled for Members' information

Copies of the draft Annual General Meeting Minutes from 23 September 2020 were circulated to all Members for consideration ahead of this meeting.

There were no comments or questions in respect of the minutes.

Election of a Director, as notified by the Returning Officer following completion of Member voting

Mr Waldron invited the Returning Officer, Lisa Ahwan of Computershare, to provide an overview of the voting process and finalise the Director election.

Ms Ahwan explained the voting process and managed the finalisation of the Director election, which included those Members whom had not voted on-line prior to the AGM casting their vote in person.

Voting cards were distributed to Members who had not voted prior to the AGM upon arrival. Ms Ahwan requested the voting cards be completed and arranged for the voting cards to be collected. The voting cards were counted by Computershare staff, witnessed by the Independent Scrutineer and a Scrutineer appointed by Tom Percy QC.

After finalising the count, Ms Ahwan of Computershare read out the number of votes received by each candidate as follows:

- Cassandra Brennan 303
- Tom Percy QC 463

Ms Ahwan declared the successful candidate to be Mr Tom Percy QC.

The Chair congratulated Mr Percy on his re- appointment and thanked the unsuccessful candidate for nominating.

Presentation of Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2021

The Chair advised the accounts of WA Cricket in respect of the year ended 30 June 2021 have been audited by Deloitte. The Financial Statements were circulated to all Members in advance of this meeting and invited Mr Justin Michael to present WA Cricket's audited financial statements.

Mr Justin Michael presented WA Cricket's Audited Financial Statements, highlighting:

- The 2020-21 financial year was a year impacted by the Coronavirus (COVID-19) global health pandemic with limited cricket content in Western Australia due to the inability to have mass gatherings, the various quarantine laws to enter each State and strict COVID-19 guidelines.
- Due to this, no international cricket was played in Western Australia and only 5 Big Bash League (BBL) games (4 home games and 1 neutral game) were played at Optus Stadium.
- To combat COVID-19 WA Cricket developed a strategic, timed and people first approach to reset the business to tackle the challenges in 2020-21.
- An overview of the impact to revenue due to COVID-19 in 2020-21
- The closing cash balance as at 30 June 2021 was \$19,648,579.
- The impact of COVID-19 in the 2020-21 financial year resulted in an operating surplus after depreciation of \$546,925 (compared to a surplus of \$250,588 last year) with revenue down 16% and expenditure down 17% on last year.
- The WA Cricket Foundation whose purpose is to enrich, support and inspire the WA community by delivering social outcomes through cricket has raised \$1.1m since its inception in December 2017. To date \$766k has been raised for the aboriginal, disability and female programs and \$366k raised for the WGIP.
- WA Cricket with the support from the Members, is in a solid position to continue to combat COVID-19 with a strong balance sheet and cash reserves.

Mr Waldron thanked Mr Michael for his report.

Honorary Life Membership

The WA Cricket Board has resolved to propose three nominations for Honorary Life Membership; Kevin Gartrell OAM, Angele Gray and Jennifer Owens.

Kevin Gartrell OAM

Mr Waldron proposed that Kevin Gartrell OAM be awarded Honorary Life Membership and read a citation which outlined Kevin Gartrell's contribution to cricket in WA.

Alan Bolton seconded the proposal.

On a show of hands of Members present, Members approved Kevin Gartrell OAM be awarded Life Membership of the WA Cricket.

Kevin Gartrell accepted the award and gave an acceptance speech.

Angele Gray

Mr Waldron proposed that Angele Gray be awarded Honorary Life Membership and read a citation which outlined Angele Gray's contribution to cricket in WA.

Peter Silinger seconded the proposal.

On a show of hands of Members present, Members approved Angele Gray be awarded Life Membership of the WA Cricket.

Angele Gray accepted the award and gave an acceptance speech.

Jennifer Owens

Mr Waldron proposed that Jennifer Owens be awarded Honorary Life Membership and read a citation which outlined Jennifer Owens' contribution to cricket in WA.

Kade Harvey seconded the proposal.

On a show of hands of Members present, Members approved Jennifer Owens be awarded Life Membership of the WA Cricket.

Jennifer Owens accepted the award and gave an acceptance speech.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Mr Waldron provided his report and highlighted the following items:

- It was more than disappointing not being able to host any international cricket last season due to WA Government quarantine restrictions however we are working very closely with the WA Government and CA to try and ensure that doesn't happen again.
- Once again, we finished in the top half of the High Performance Program across Australian Cricket
- Overall our participation numbers saw a small decline in the schools space due to COVID however our registered club participation had a slight increase. We continue to lead the country in participation growth for the game for women and girls.
- In the WBBL the Perth Scorchers once again finished in the top 4 but were defeated in the semi-final by the Melbourne Stars.
- We are working extremely hard with both CA and the State Government to ensure the 5th Ashes Test Match goes ahead in Perth as scheduled. The first priority of CA is to get England into the country and from there they will be presenting a plan to the WA Government on the biosecurity overlay the series will have.
- Acknowledged the passing of 4 of WA's past players over the last 12 months
- Thanked the Board, CEO and Management for their hard work

CEO REPORT

Ms Christina Matthews, WA Cricket CEO presented a report on the WA Cricket Foundation and WACA Ground Improvement Project, advising:

- An overview of the Project, including the deliverables and the proposed aquatic facility and project costs
- An overview of the stages of the project and key dates
- An overview of the WA Cricket Foundation

Questions were asked by Members and answers provided in respect of the following issues:

- The total cost of the Project, details around the aquatic facility, the Project funding arrangements, details around other sports utilising the WACA Ground, Members' facilities and other questions in relation to the WACA Ground Improvement Project.

COACH'S REPORTS

Ms Becky Grundy presented her report, including the highlights of the WA Women's Team last season and plans for the upcoming season.

Mr Adam Voges presented his report, including the highlights of the WA Men's Team last season and plans for the upcoming season.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Chair opened the meeting for other business and various questions were asked and answers provided in respect of the following issues:

- Dress and behaviour standards in the Members' area
- The international and domestic cricket fixtures for the upcoming season
- Membership cards for the upcoming season
- Proposed vaccination policies
- WAFL at the WACA Ground

The Chair advised he will request Management to further consider the various Membership-related issues raised in the questions.

Both the Chair and Ms Matthews confirmed that the WA Cricket is doing everything possible to secure as much cricket as possible to be played in WA, however the present WA State Government border policy is making it hard for Cricket Australia to allocate fixtures to WA.

CLOSE AND INVITATION TO REFRESHMENTS

Mr Waldron gave closing remarks and declared the meeting closed at 8.00pm.