

Australian Lacrosse Association

ALA 2019 AGM

 Tuesday November 26 2019

 8:00pm - 10:00pm AEDT

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Caroline McLuckie

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Minutes

I. **Opening Remarks/Welcome**

Glenn welcomed all attendees to the meeting.

Attendees:

ALA

Glenn Morley
Mike Slattery
Caroline McLuckie
Mark Polden
Jan Jackson
Paul Mollison

LV

Josh Anderson

LWA

Evan Walters

LSA

Giulia Marion

NSWL

Matthew Hopkinson

Observer

Karen Meredith
Steve Campbell

II. **Apologies**

ALA

Andrew Harris

QLA

Jean Bronkhorst

TL

Callum Gorringe

III. **Minutes of previous AGM**

Approval of minutes from 2018 ALA AGM.

Moved: Evan Walters (LWA) **Second:** Josh Anderson (LV) **Carried.**

Abstain: Giulia Marion (LSA)

IV. **Matters arising from the Minutes**

No matters or items were raised from the previous AGM (2018)

V. **Presentation of Annual Report (President)**

Glenn presented the report to the meeting by firstly thanking the ALA Board for their work throughout the year and for his appointment as President for 2019.

Glenn then discussed and presented key items which were noted in each of area of responsibility in the report:

- Strengthening of rapport and relationships with Member Associations.

- Growth of the Quick Stix product and reach through Sporting School Program and Invade programs.
- The improvement in delivery and service through ALA National Events. Further develop through the Competition Review.
- High Performance program was busy with multiple events and Teams. The U19 Women and Indoor Men performance was noted.
- The continue appointment and strength of providing officials to World Events and the development of younger officials through the National Events.
- A great response from coaches for the Talent Course. Continued work required to review and update the Club Coach Course.
- Significant investment in Marketing through the Strategic Plan feedback and forums. The outcome will be to review ALA Brand and communication strategy.
- Deliberate and calculated investment into the sport through staff and within the Quick Stix product.

Glenn also noted that moving forward a key focus will be around the reporting of data and addressing membership and participation rates at the National Planning Meeting in 2020.

In closing Glenn thanked all Member Association for all their work and commitment to grow and deliver lacrosse and thanked the ALA staff, Steve, Damien and Kade.

Glenn asked for questions or comment regarding the Annual Report.

Josh Anderson (LV) noted the questions and comments he submitted offline to Glenn which have not been addressed. Josh accepted Glenn suggestion of addressing the questions post the AGM which was accepted.

VI. **Presentation of Accounts (Treasurer)**

Caroline provide a brief background of her experience and employment as Chief Financial Officer. Caroline highlight the what her first priority were when elected to ALA Board:

- Review process and procedures.
- Moved organisation on to a modern financial platform.
- Put in place processes to make financial report easier, transparent figures and more clarity, ongoing reports linking budget and operations.

Caroline explained that in 18/19 financial year there was a deliberate investment into the Quick Stix area which lead to a deficit. The 19/20 financial year to date results show that the Quick Stix area has self funded the growth coordinator roles. The inclusion of Quick Stix in to the Secondary Program will be financially beneficial as an organisation as whole for ALA and also club and Association via new participants and members.

The accountancy standards in Australia have been changed which means revenue must be recorded when an event take place. For example the Senior National revenue and expenses must be recorded in June when they take place. Caroline noted that in previous practice this was not occurring so when looking at the year on year figures may not be easy comparable and encourage MAs to ask questions as they come up through this transitional period.

Sponsorship and Grants need to be identifiable to particular projects and expenditure for them to be spread over a period.

An in-depth budget process occurred for 2019/20, involving going through each portfolio line by line, allocating income and expenditure carefully to ensure budget returns to a surplus.

Caroline also confirmed that the ALA has received grant (same as last year) from Sport

Australia.

Caroline asked if there was any questions or comments.

Giulia Marion (LSA) acknowledge the deficit and Commented that LSA understand and agree with where the ALA is going and agree it has a greater value regarding the ALA finances. regarding our budget.

Josh Anderson (LV), noted that this questions was submitted to Glenn, regarding the reporting in the annual report regarding "minimise the impact to Member Associations" and what does this mean. Caroline explained that through the budgeting process the Budget was structured to reallocated expenditure and income to avoid a large increase in membership fees. It was noted that there will need to be an increase throughout the year but not increase fee to cover the investment in marketing or growth.

VII. **Adoption of Accounts**

Adopted the finance accounts.

Move: Matthew Hopkinson (NSWL) **Second:** Giulia Marion (LSA) **Carried.**

Decision: The 2018/19 financial report was adopted.

VIII. **Adoption of Annual Report**

Adoption of the 2019 Annual Report

Move: Josh Anderson (LV) **Second:** Matt Hopkinson (NSWL) **Carried.**

Decision: The 2019 Annual Report was adopted.

IX. **Election of Directors**

At this point Fergus Stewart (ALA Returning Officer) joined the meeting.

Glenn welcomed Fergus to the meeting and thanked him for his role. Glenn explained to the meeting that that all four nominations were submitted to the Selection Committee who vetted all nominations and declared that they all where suitable for the directors positions.

Fergus explained that he received voting from 5 Member Associations (LWA, LV, NSWL, QLA and LSA) with all casting one vote for Jan Jackson electing her as a director in following the ALA constitution. Mark Polden received a majority of three votes resulting in Mark Polden being elected.

Glenn thanked Fergus and Fergus then left the meeting.

Decision: Jan Jackson and Mark Polden elected to the ALA Board.

X. **Motions to be put to the AGM**

No Motions were put forward or received.

XI. **Any Other Business**

Glenn welcomed any comments or questions as "on notice" from the Member Associations.

The following were the only questions raised.

LV

Josh Anderson noted that there were no additional questions to the 13 already submitted to

Glenn. Glenn noted he will answer these questions and circulate to all MAs.

LSA

Due to the lost in the in 18/19 financial year will there be an increase in membership fees or state Team levies?

Glenn replied stating that through the budget process expenditure was reduced while income from other areas were included. Membership fees will increase inline with CPI for 2020 year.

Task: Caroline will pull together a document outlining the membership fees and team entry fees for 2020 in the coming week and circulate to the MAs. Caroline McLuckie

XII. **Closing remarks**

Glenn thanked everyone for their participation and commitment. Glenn wish everyone well for the rest of the year and over the holiday break.

The meeting was closed at 8.40pm