



**Athletics Australia ABN 72 006 447 294**

## **MINUTES of the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting**

**Meeting held on Thursday 28 November 2013 at 2.00pm**

**Athletics House (Catherine Freeman Room), 31 Aughtie Drive, Albert Park VIC 3206**

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### **ORDINARY BUSINESS**

#### **1. Welcome, Apologies, Obituaries**

The Chair, Rob Fildes opened the meeting at 2.00pm.

The Chair welcomed Directors, Delegates, Life Governors, Life Members and observers.

#### **Attendees**

##### **Board of Directors**

President:	Rob Fildes OAM
CEO:	Dallas O'Brien
Vice President:	David Grace QC
Vice President:	Nick Moore
Director:	Matt Mahon
Director:	Anne Lord
Director:	Melissa Babbage
Director:	Nathan Deakes
Director:	Peter Bromley
Company Secretary:	Rob Ewart

##### **Delegates**

Athletics ACT:	President, Neil Boden
Athletics NSW:	President, Sean Scanlon
Athletics NT:	Acting Executive Officer, John Bowden (for Kevin Mulvahil)
Athletics QLD:	President, Des Johnson
Athletics SA:	President, Joe Stevens
Athletics TAS:	President, Mike Gunson
Athletics VIC:	Treasurer, Eric Sigmont (for Ian Jones)
Athletics WA:	President, David van der Walt

##### **Apologies**

Kevin Mulvahil (President Athletics NT), Ian Jones (President Athletics VIC)

Life Governors: Clive Lee, Paul Jenes OAM, Margaret Mahony OAM, Geoffrey Martin

Life Members: Dave Cundy, Tony Rice, Dr. Bob Cruise, David Prince OAM, Trevor Vincent OAM, Wayne Fletcher OAM, Denis Wilson, Michael Thomson, Glynis Nunn-Cearns, Brenda Pearl

## **2. To confirm the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 5 December 2012**

**It was resolved** to accept the minutes of the 5 December, 2012 Annual General Meeting.

## **3. To receive and consider the President's Report on the affairs of the Company**

The President's report was noted and taken as read.

Significant events and activities noted since 1 July 2013 include;

8<sup>th</sup> IAAF World Youth Championships Donetsk (3 Gold medals, 1 Bronze), the 6<sup>th</sup> IPC Athletics World Championships in Lyon (4 Gold, 11 Silver and 15 Bronze) and the 14<sup>th</sup> IAAF World Championships in Moscow (Sally Pearson, Silver/Women's 100m hurdles; Kim Mickle, Silver/Women's Javelin and Jared Tallent, Bronze/Men's 50km Walk). In Moscow the Australian Flame achieved six top-eight placings.

At this morning's Athletics Australia Board Meeting I formally announced my retirement as President of Athletics Australia. I've served on the Board for nine years, including eight years as President and Chairman.

With reference to the new President and his Board, newly elected President, David Grace, is an outstanding person with a deep understanding and passion for Athletics. He has six years' experience on the Board and I thank David for his great support and counsel during my Presidency. I'm certain David will be a very fine new President for our sport. Thank you also to Nick Moore, Vice President, who has also been a wonderful support to me and has tremendous and deep understanding and passion for Athletics. Congratulations to Matt Mahon who today is elevated to Vice President. Matt has also been on the Board for more than six years and has taken on many roles in a most enthusiastic and professional manner. Newer members of the Board, Anne Lord, Peter Bromley and more recently Melissa Babbage, are all excellent contributors with strong and considered opinions about all the issues that come before our Board. They too all have a great understanding of Track and Field Athletics. Thank you to Anne, Peter and Melissa for your support to me during your years on the Board. A warm welcome to Nathan Deakes the latest addition to our Board in his role as Chairman of the Athletes Commission. I know you will all continue to contribute in an excellent manner supporting and working with your new President and two Vice Presidents.

## **4. To receive and consider the CEO's Report on the affairs of the Company**

The CEO's report was noted and taken as read.

The CEO thanked the Member Associations, staff, key stakeholders, the ASC, the ACGA, APC, School Sport Australia.

The CEO spoke to the highlights across the organisation from his report.

## **5. To receive and consider the audited accounts of the Company**

Company Secretary Rob Ewart presented the audited accounts of the Company.

The audited accounts of the Company for 2012-13 were noted and taken as read.

## **6. To re-elect retiring Director, Peter Bromley**

In accordance with clause 30.4 of the Constitution the election, Presidents unanimously re-elected Peter Bromley.

7. To reappoint the Company's auditor, Lachlan Partners

It was resolved to accept - Melissa

8. To elect Honorary Life Members and Life Governors

In accordance with clause 7.7

Citations were read by Brian

Agreed to Life Governorship Robin Fildes OAM

Life Members

Susan Hobson  
Tony Keynes  
Yvonne Mullins  
Helen Lee  
Wilma Bain  
Garry Bourne

9. To consider any other business of which due notice has been given or which in the opinion of the chairman of the meeting, may be expedient

Nil

Meeting closed at 3.00pm