



OHF AGM Minutes

Annual General Meeting April 28th 2023
Christchurch Classic Motel 2.00pm (NZT)

1 Present:

OHF*: Clare Prideaux (CP),
David Peebles (DP),
Andy Rowe (AR)
Baden Sharp (BS)
Nihal Seneviratne (NS)
Kitty McCaskie (KMC)
Alan Lints (AL)
Gill Gemming (GG)

Aust: David Pryles* (DP), Ross Sudano (RS) (online), Cam Vale (CV)

Fiji: Emi Nawaqakuta* (EN)

NZ: Anthony Crummy (AC), Mike Bignell* (MB)

PNG: Ray Lapun* (RL) (online)

Samoa: Faamausili Taiva Ah Young* (FTAY)

SI: Winki Yee* (WY)

Tonga: Hiko Fungavaka* (HF)

Van: Nasse Maltungtung* (NM) (online)

- * Voting rights

Life Members: Bob Claxton (BC), Pam Elgar (PE), Derek Wilshere (DW) (online),

Apologies: Michelle Hollands, Onis Namu, Lola Illumpui

Welcome: CP welcomed everyone to the meeting and acknowledged elders past present and emerging from all countries attending the AGM

Minutes: Previous AGM 7.05.22 Circulated/ resolved MB/BC

Awards: FIH President's Award 2021 – Bob Claxton. DP spoke about BC's contribution to Oceania from 2007. BC responded.

presented OHF Life Membership 2021 – Dr Robin Mitchell. DP explained that he and GG his badge to him in person at the ONOC Conference in Brisbane last week.

FIH President's Award 2022 – Gill Gemming. BC, PE, and FTAY all spoke recognising GG's contribution to FIH, OHF and the Pacific Islands. GG responded acknowledging all the speakers.

President's Report:

Tabled report and used a PowerPoint to emphasise highlights

- Face to face meetings in Auckland NZ in May 2022 enabled a priority strategic plan to be developed. The Pacific Islands had direct input via an online forum while the committee chairs were able to identify their key priorities. The plan was approved in July 2022.
- To support the OHF Strategic Plan a new organisational structure was defined and ready for implementation in 2023 to include:
 - Part time CEO
 - Additional resources for In-Country Development Officers
 - A Pacific Islands Forum with administration support
 - Part time Hook in4 Health Project Manager
- Acknowledged FIH's financial support which has been confirmed through to 2026.
- Acknowledged Australian Government DFAT Funding which supports the continued delivery of Hook in4 Health - PNG and Vanuatu. CP recognised the contribution of the seven partners of this program, along with the tremendous work on the ground of the six staff, together with Project Coordinator Gill Gemming and Treasurer David Peebles. As a result of the success of the program OHF has been invited to submit an application for Hook in4 Health to be introduced into the Solomon Islands.
- CP thanked all the OHF Board Members and FIH and OHF Committee Members for their time and passion.

Clare Prideaux moved her report

CP/EN

CDO's Report: Tabled report and discussed highlights:

- OHF Development Officers – Nine now employed, an increase of 1 from 2021. Samoa is the member country with the latest appointment.
- Inclusion 6 NA's from 8 have active programs 715 participants were involved and covered a range of physical, ID, visual and hearing impairment disabilities.
- Pacific Games - Solomon Islands. Late November, early December 2023 OHF has been fully involved in preparing to have a Hockey 5s event on a new purpose-built surface which will be a legacy for SIHF.
- Hook in4 Health – the project end was December 2023 but the success of the 2 programs resulted in a roll over to 2025. A key objective was to increase opportunities for girls and women and the outcomes for 2022 resulted in 48% female involvement against 46% in 2021. The partnerships added significant value to the success of the program by providing expertise, resources, best practice examples, exchange of policies and monitoring evaluation and research which will be invaluable moving the project forward to 2025.
- Competitions: there was full re-engagement with international events for Hockey Australia and Hockey New Zealand with the highlights being the Gold and Silver medals won by Australian men and women at the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham, England.
- Officiating: 92 FIH appointments were awarded to Oceania Officials. 29 Umpires featured in 2022 panels, with 29 technical officials on panels. Amber Church NZL was recognised as the FIH Umpire of the Year which was a huge achievement.

- GG acknowledged the OHF Board especially President Clare and SG's Bob and David. Thanks, was also expressed to the NA's for their support and positive communication.

GG moved her report - AL complimented GG the comprehensive nature of the report. The meeting unanimously adopted the report GG/AL

Financial Report: Tabled the financial reports that have been circulated. DP made the following comment:

- Hook in4 Health budget and acquittals are huge and time consuming, but a positive relationship has been developed with Team Up and the process is now more streamlined.
- DP identified the importance of having paid CEO to undertake these tasks.
- AR acknowledged that DP's approach to changing the method of accounting especially for Hin4H would be very beneficial to the organisation.

Report accepted DP moved his report DP/AR

Financial Status: DP stated that all 8 NAs were financial members.

Elections: President's position: 2 nominees: Clare Prideaux and Cam Vale

Both were given an opportunity to address the meeting.

At this point DP took over the meeting and the two nominees left the room.

Election Proxies: PNG and Vanuatu

PE was approved by the meeting to be the scrutineer.

Voting was by secret ballot. PE announced the result that Cam Vale was the successful candidate. Hockey Australia President RS asked for the vote numbers to be revealed, PE responded that it was 5/3.

Motion to destroy the voting slips was unanimous NS/FTAY

CP thanked all present and wished Cam well.

CV responded acknowledging CP's contribution to Oceania and how he was both humbled and excited to accept the position.

Subscriptions: DP gained approval from the meeting for the annual subscriptions.

Life Members: 1 nomination: Kaluwin Potuan was received from PNG and seconded by Samoa. This was unanimously approved.

General Business:

- Constitutions: DP talked to this. The original constitutions were sent out by FIH and are very difficult to understand and not relevant to the individual NAs. OHF will work on producing a sample constitution which is more suited to purpose. OHF would require each member to insert their individual government's legal requirements.
- OHF Hockey 5s World Cup Qualifier will now go to Gold Coast Queensland after the original venues of the Solomons and Vanuatu were ruled out because of non-completion and cyclone damage. Entries will be sent out next week.
- MOU's – DP highlighted one with Singapore Hockey Federation and with Hockey Australia Masters.

- DP introduced his view that OHF needed to change it's strategy on signing new members which would improve our voting capabilities within FIH. MB voiced

that HNZ would not support just growing membership to get votes but if they were actively participating in hockey, that would be different. PE said that OHF needed to act out of integrity but needs to identify the next possible members and begin a strategy to engage with them. FTAY identified the need to talk to Tahiti as they have the next Pacific Games.

DP thanked everyone for their attendance.

Meeting Closed 4.15pm NZT