

HDJRLFC&TA Annual General Meeting | MINUTES



Meeting date | time 31/10/2016 7:07 PM | Meeting location Ettamogah Hotel - Kellyville

Meeting called by Board of Members

Type of meeting 2016 Annual General Meeting

Facilitator Glenn Starr (President)

Note taker Greig Newbery

Timekeeper Greig Newbery

Attendees (As per Attendance Register)

Rob Zecchin, Daniel Pollard, Belinda Wright, Paul Griffin, Peter Sharp, Symone Sharp, Alex Newbery, Ryan Orley, John Abbott, Martin Shanahan, Brad Price, Anthony Jones, Glenn Herbert, Mark Hardman, Barrie Jones, Joanne McCauley, Chris O'Toole, Michael Gremmo, Scott Chalcraft, Mark Mahoney, Greig Newbery, Matt Reardon, Graham Marshall, Tracey Marshall, Steve Marks, Mick Lee & Glenn Starr

Apologies

Lance Denison, Rick Palin (Sick), Leon Carroll (Oztag) & Peter Heath

AGENDA TOPICS

1. Topic **Facilitator Welcome** | Presenter *Glenn Starr*

Welcome: Glenn Starr opened meeting, welcomed all and asked that every attendee ensure they sign the Attendance Register. Apologies were then read out.

Previous Meeting Minutes: Minutes of the previous meeting introduced by Glenn Starr. No questions about the minutes. Glenn Starr requested that a resolution be passed confirming the previous 2015 meeting minutes are an accurate record of the previous meeting.

Motion Proposed: Symone Sharp

Seconded: Brad Price

2. Topic **Presidents Report** | Presenter *Glenn Starr*

Discussion: Glenn Starr (GS) provided a report on this years activity:

- Talked about some perceived issues with the raffle tickets for Rugby League but most people accepted it on a short term basis.
- The Board, particularly through Mick Gremmo is working well with council and building good relationships. Same as previously with Parramatta which is now better.
- Talked about Parramatta providing rep and grade players back to the Hills Club
- A lot of fundraising this year, we have enough money now to commence stage 2 of the building works.
- Coaching have been working well interviewing & appointing coaches.
- Sponsors went well this year and we are working on maintaining those sponsors next year.
- Girls teams did well this year and looking at maybe 4 teams next year.
- Club has engaged a web designer to modernize the website
- Senior football came in under budget this year.

- Oztag rego went online this year, some issues but will improve systems. Need to look at when we schedule registrations next year. Good numbers of players. State Cup has been accepted well by the kids. We have been improving each year and getting some results on the board.

GS stated that the club has purchased the name of Hills Sports Club with associated domain name rights. GS indicated that this will give the club a bigger footprint in the district.

3. Topic **Annual Financial Report FY1516** | Presenter *Anthony Jones*

Discussion: Anthony Jones (AJ) gave an overview of the finances for the club. Financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2016 prepared by Jigsaw Tax Accountants was provided to all attendees and tabled at the meeting.

AJ Read through the financial report:

- Income up this year from last year.
- Gross surplus up this year.
- Big costs in building works this year.

AJ introduced Joanne McCauley – Jigsaw Tax Accountants

Jo from Jigsaw Tax then went through the audit report. Stated she audited the accounts as they were presented to her. Jo praised Rick Palin for his presentation of the material and his knowledge and use of the systems. Jo stated she has a son playing for the club but is independent. Jo suggested that the building works need to be shown as a capital item. Need to look at amortising the cost of the building works for depreciation.

Question from Simone Sharp re why the canteen expenditure is not shown in the audit report. Belinda Wright stated that it is difficult to break up expenditure in the canteen.

Glenn Starr indicated that the Senior Football budget from the club was \$60K but if the club was going well could go up to \$90K

Question from Matt Reardon re how much we raised from the raffle tickets. Mick Gremmo indicated it was about \$35K without prizes. Matt Reardon also asked about why \$10K down in merchandise but stated by Glenn Starr that there is \$20K in merchandise that is in stock for next year. Matt Reardon asked about what length of lease we have currently. Mick Gremmo stated that no lease or license is currently in place.

Steve Marks asked about touch football and why value of registrations is not shown but Jo indicated that it could be across two years. Jo will have a look. Jo indicated that \$14K came in.

Mick Gremmo talked about building works at Crestwood. Mick Gremmo indicated that there will be shortage of fields in the Hills District. Council have allocated \$600K to build a third field at the rear of Crestwood 1 and 2 at the creek end. The club has made an application for a \$500K loan to council to fund the building works at the clubhouse. This goes to council 15/11/16 for a decision and there is a possibility that council may pay for the building works.

A motion stating the 2016 Audited Financial Report is accepted by the floor. Report Attached.

Financials Proposed: Barry Jones

Seconded: Martin Shanahan

Topic **Election of 2016 Committee Members** | Presenter *Glenn Starr*

Nominations received: Leon Carroll, Scott Chalcraft, Lance Denison, Michael Gremmo, Paul Griffin, Anthony Jones, Mark Mahoney, Greig Newbery, Rick Palin, Daniel Pollard, Peter Sharp, Glenn Starr, Belinda Wright & Robert Zecchin

7.41pm Board stood down

Scott Charlwood a new nomination for the board introduced himself and provided a brief profile on himself and why he wanted to nominate for the board.

7.45pm Vote is required as there are 14 nominees for 13 positions on the board. Voting for the Board commenced.

Votes counted by Barry Jones and checked by John Abbott

7:53 New BOM for 2016 announced:

Leon Carroll

Scott Chalcraft

Michael Gremmo

Paul Griffin

Anthony Jones

Mark Mahoney

Greig Newbery

Rick Palin

Daniel Pollard

Peter Sharp

Glenn Starr

Belinda Wright

Robert Zecchin

4. Topic **Special Business – Life Member Nominations** | Presenter *Glenn*

Discussion: Life Member nominations for Steve Marks & Leon Don. Nominations read by Greig Newbery.

Voted and agreed unanimously.

Life Members voted in for 2017: Steve Marks & Leon Don

5. Topic **General Business** | Presenter *All*

General Discussion was had on:

Mick Lee - indicated that he believed more information should be put on the website to update the members on what is happening with the club e.g. Building works etc and raffle tickets.

Mark Mahoney - stated that the website was being upgraded and will take about 3-4 months to get up to speed but there will be more information provided. Mark spoke about using social media to provide communication to members of the club. Mark spoke about the introduction of the Bull e Tin which was well received. Trying to also consolidate the various Hills Bull Facebook site into one. The Board is being educated on the benefits of eMedia.

Graham Marshall stated we need to use all types of media to communicate.

Scott Chalcraft stated that Hills need to manage the Facebook sites to ensure that people don't get confused.

Alex Newbery stated that having one main page would be of benefit and most young people would use it.

Ryan Orley raised the issue of communication of the costs Oztag particularly the raffle tickets for Rugby League was a one off and then they got hit for raffle tickets for Oztag. Needs to be communicated to the members better.

Graham Marshall stated that he has had a lot of people approach him about the raffle tickets and the cost of Oztag. GM stated that there is competition now on Friday nights from Norwest Oztag. The club needs to communicate better to the members regarding the costs and any issues such as council fees, oztag affiliation, better shirts etc.

Simone Sharp - Asked why the Bull logo from the Bulls Academy is different from the general club logo. Mark Mahoney stated it went to the board and it was to give the academy a different look with its own identity. The Bulls logo is not going to change. Club has a number of different logos with touch, oztag and rugby league. Mick Gremmo stated that any change to the Bulls logo would have to go to the AGM.

Matt Reardon - Asked could there be some perpetual awards for the Girls teams. Glenn Starr advised the board will be looking at it and agreed that it should happen.

Tracy Marshall - Asked to be given access to the Oztag database for the systems next year as she had difficulty this year. Tracy stated she wanted to continue to be on the Oztag sub-committee. Glenn Starr stated that it can be put to the board and can be looked at.

Tracy Marshall - Stated that there should be a club and community Spirit Award to recognize people who put in a lot of time and effort as a volunteer at the club. People should be able to be nominated and the awards discussed at the AGM. Matt Reardon stated that there was some difficulty in doing this as there are so many people on the board and others who help. Club Person of the year.

Brad Price - Asked about advertising for coaching vacancies, he would like to coach. Daniel Pollard stated that we will need some coaches and also trainers.

Meeting Closed: 8:37PM