Minutes of the NSTA Annual General Meeting Held at Talus Street on Tuesday, 21st February 2023 at 7.00pm

Committee Members in Attendance

Ms Katarina McNamara (President and Chair), Mr Rick Anderson (Treasurer), Mr Mark Williams (Secretary), Mr Ron Kohn, Mr Craig Smith (Vice President), Mr Wayne Pascoe, Mr Glenn Knox, Mr Tim Fraser, Mr Terry Stewart, Ms Ginette Porteous

Other Attendees

Please see Annexure A

Apologies

None

Meeting Opened

The Chair opened the meeting at 7.00pm by acknowledging the traditional custodians of the land and paying her respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

Adoption of Minutes from previous meeting

It was **PROPOSED** by Mr Terry Stewart that the minutes from the Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday, 22nd February 2022 be adopted as a true and correct record. It was **SECONDED** by Mr Rick Anderson.

Presidents Report

Ms Katarina McNamara provided an overview of the year:

- Reduced Covid restrictions saw a return to School and NSTA competitions.
- Although it was a slow start to the year due to poor weather.
- SJTT saw an increase in numbers.
- PSC saw an increase in numbers.
- Night Comp saw an increase in numbers and an increase in costs due to additional court hires but was kept to a minimum where possible.
- NSTA re-entered teams into the Inter-District competitions and saw success with the Blackwell Cup team making the final.
- 2023 NSTA Championships brought forward to accommodate SJTT and continue momentum build.
- 2023 Strategy has been reviewed and we look forward to continued partnerships with clubs and operators in 2023 and increased participation.
- Established Sub-Committees to spread the workload more evenly and to also encourage volunteers. Tasks are then presented to the Board and the final decision is made.
- Slow progress still in the transfer of the land at Talus Street from the council to the MLALC.
- LND still manages the facility and provides coaching services to the community; business as usual.
- Re-surfacing of Courts 5 & 6 is now completed. Courts 7 & 8 to be completed by end April.

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- \$20K grant helped to upgrade to LED lights with \$80K NSTA contribution.
- Wheatleigh Street operators keeping the facility in good condition.
- Plans to upgrade the court lights there is on hold at the moment.
- Life Membership for Kit Meyers celebrated at Tennis Valley.
- Honorary Associate Membership presented to for Helen Ackerman (President Kooroora TC) for her long-term support of the Association and efforts in the tennis community.
- Terry Stewart's long-term service to tennis recognized at the Sports NSW Awards in June 2022, which saw him receive the Long Distinguished Service Award.
- The President thanked the following:
 - All the Committee Members for their support over the last year.
 - Mandy and all the volunteers for their work and support.
 - Clubs for supporting NSTA programs.
- After 2 years of lockdown and covid interruptions the NSTA Centenary will finally take place on Saturday 25th February.

Treasurers Report

Mr Rick Anderson provided an overview of the financial results:

- Profit and Loss not as bad as it could appear.
- With no long-term lease in place due to the ongoing ownership transfer proces from the Crown to the Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council (MLALC) and no security, decisions were taken to maintain the upkeep (LED lights, court resurfacing, fencing)
- \$90K profit under ordinary circumstances.
- Good success with PSC, night comp and numbers in general are increasing.
- Future is looking good, provided we can secure an ongoing lease.
- Wheatleigh Street valuation has increased by \$2.5M.
- Only 1 question from the floor regarding final court costs, currently only 5 & 6 paid for and noted additional costs incurred due to the extra foundation work required on court 5 in relation to root ingress.

Election of Members of the Management Committee

- Ms Katarina McNamara (President)
- Mr Rick Anderson (Treasurer)
- Mr Mark Williams (Secretary)
- Mr Craig Smith (Vice President)
- Mr Glenn Knox, Mr Ron Kohn, Mr Tim Fraser, Mr Wayne Pascoe (General Committee)
- Mr Roland Handel (Newly elected member, general committee)
- Mr Terry Stewart has resigned.
- Ms Ginette Porteous has resigned.
- All re-elected positions moved by Mr Victor Kerr (Kooroora) and seconded by Ms Helen Ackerman (Kooroora), therefore passed.

Election of Honorary Life Members

- Mr Terry Stewart (33yrs service)
- Mr Rick Anderson (17yrs service)
- All attendees were in favour, the motion was passed.

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Election of Honorary Patrons of NSTA

- Evonne Cawley
- John Newcombe
- Tanya Taylor (Mayor)
- Tim James (Local Member)
- All attendees were in favour, the motion was passed subject to Tanya and Tim accepting.

Bursary Payment of \$500 each to the President, the Treasurer and the Secretary

- Moved by Mr Rick Anderson, who declined the payment, whilst Mr Mark Williams and Mrs Katarina McNamara accepted the payment.
- Seconded by Mr Terry Stewart.
- All attendees were in favour, the motion was passed.

General Business

- (Q 1): Overall trend in comp numbers, formats?
- (A): Night Comp numbers are increasing, currently at the highest levels ever. Sunday morning junior comp numbers are quite strong. Saturday Afternoon comp numbers still to improve, relying mainly on clubs. Operators in part to blame for lower numbers. Overall trend is the numbers are increasing. Grading committee has been established to help with this.
- (Q 2): Start times for Saturday Comps?
- (A): Fitting in with the Badge times to help clubs and school comp finishing times which is usually 12pm.

Meeting closed

The Meeting was closed at 8.01pm.

The above Minutes correctly reflect the business undertaken at the NSTA's Annual General Meeting held on 21st February 2023:

Signed:

Katarina McNamara President NSTA

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