



2024 Annual General Meeting Minutes

Friday, October 18, 2024 @ 7pm

Meeting Location: Zoom
Chaired by: Steven Kavariotis

Meeting called to order: 7:05pm
Motion: Steve (NSY); Second: Charmaine (NSY)

Quorum

- Bylaw 4.4 (Quorum) requires 9 voting members to have quorum.
- Voting Members present: 33; Total # of participants: 41
- Quorum is established to proceed with the meeting.
 - Motion: Steve (NSY); second: Mert (NSJ)

Agenda:

- The agenda was presented.
 - Motion: Steve (NSY); Second: Charmaine (NSY)

Approval of 2023 minutes

- Business arising:
 - Deb (NSJ) raised a point from the 2023 that wasn't fully answered regarding the Club credit card travel points: *What is the current point balance for the club credit cards? When and to whom were the last points allocated?*
 - Ru explained that the bank was recently contacted and cleaned up the credit cards that are no longer required. The points on these cards were transferred to Tracy's card and the credit balances have been credited back to our bank account. All points have now been transferred to the bank account and the usage of them will be decided by the Board.
- Motion: Silvia; (HPD); Second: Charmaine (NSY)
 - Approved: For: 32; Against: 1
 - Passed

Land Acknowledgment

- PWAS acknowledges the colonial context of the Indigenous territories where our gathering is taking place.

Board member introduction

- Steven introduced the existing Board.

President's Report

- *(The President's Report was distributed to the members in advance of the meeting).*

- Steven walked the group through his report.
- Meng and the coaches were acknowledged for doing a great job last year.
- Supporting our older athletes in becoming AquaGo coaches is an important way to support future growth of the Club.
- Steven thanked the Board for their efforts this past year.
- Steven acknowledged the work of the Aquatics Rep (Charmaine (NSY)) last year, which enabled the Club to get a permanent banner at Watermania.
- Pool time is a challenge; thank you to everyone who has helped with trying to get pool space.

Technical Director's Report

- *(The Technical Director's Report was distributed to the members in advance of the meeting).*
- Meng presented her report that was shared with the membership.
- Overall, a successful season last year. Well done to the team.
- Meng would recommend that it is better to wait for younger eligible BC Summer Games prospects to wait until they're older. The competition is harder for 11-12yrs olds.
- Lots of challenges for our NS teams with cancellations of competitions.
 - The teams did very well to overcome the challenges!
- For 2024/25 lots of rules changes, particularly for higher levels.
 - There will be stricter judgment and align more with national rules

Financials

- *(The Financial Reports were distributed to the members in advance of the meeting).*
- Ru walked through the Treasurer's report.
- Ru walked through the financials from last season
- Ru walked through the budget for the upcoming season.

Elections

Eligible Votes: 39

- President (1yr)
 - Nominee: Tracy Lu (NSJ)
 - For: 35; Abstain: 1
 - Motion: Certify the vote.
 - Mert; Charmaine
- Vice President
 - Nominee: Cynthia Liu (NSY)
 - For: 32 Abstain: 6
 - Motion: Certify the vote
 - Tracy; Ru
- Registrar
 - Nominee #1: Charmaine (NSY)
 - Nominee #2: Amy (HPD)
 - Vote #1: Charmaine: 17 (45.9%); Amy: 17 (45.9%); Abstain: 3 (8.2%)
 - Vote #1 was a tie.
 - Per bylaws, the lowest option is removed (Abstain) and re-vote is performed.
 - Vote #2: Charmaine: 21 (55.3%); Amy: 17 (44.7%)
 - Winner: Charmaine
 - Motion to certify: Tracy; Ru
- Director-at-Large (Admin/AP focus) (2yr)

- Nomination from floor: Amy (HPD)
- Amy accepts Nomination
- For: 32; Abstain: 4
 - Motion to certify:
 - Charmaine; Tracy
- Director-at-Large (Marketing & Communications focus) (2yr)
 - Nominee: Julian Coronado (NSY)
 - For: 28; Abstain: 10
 - Motion to certify:
 - Tracy; Charmaine

New Business

- *Q: Can you clarify if all board members currently are on NS? Just wondering how that works for managing conflict of interest making decisions?*
 - A: We have had a more diverse board makeup than in the past. NS is usually well represented since they have the longest tenured. Steven expressed that his experience with this Board has been excellent.
 - A: Steve topped up and pointed out that our bylaws have rules on how to manage conflicts of interest.
- *Q: When will athletes and families be advised how the announcement by the Greek National Team will impact them? Succession planning for our club, timing etc.?*
 - A: The Club does not have a response at this time.
- Mert took a moment to thank Steven for his years of significant contribution to the Club. You will be missed, Steven!!

Adjournment: 9:27pm

- Motion: Charmaine (NSY)