



1st Annual General Meeting of New Zealand Lacrosse Minutes

Date: Sunday 14 July 2021

Time: 3:30pm

Venue: 3/96 Saint Georges Bay Road, Parnell, Auckland and via video call

Members Present:

Tim Brebner, James Clarkson, Max van der Maas, Toby Delamore, Roger Snow, Liam Griffiths, Shawn Barabash, Sean Carter, Bill Hollins, Nicole Goode, Tom Deane, Matt Gould, Ursula Johnson, Marina Samounry, Kim Grafton, Tara Vrensen, Rachel Batty, Steph Eaton, Casey McLain, Daniel Robertson, Mitchell Roberts, Will McMaster, Mikaere Mate, Rosie Gunn, Mandy Leeson.

- 1. Welcome and Thanks:** From Toby Delamore.
- 2. Apologies:** Eleanor Burkin.
- 3. Conflicts of Interest:**

Toby Delamore is chairing this meeting and will be applying as an elected Board Member and will stand down for this part of the meeting.

Tara Vrensen is also applying as an elected Board Member and will not be representing Waikato Lacrosse.

4. Quorum and Voting

NZL is still operating under its old rules/constitution (current NZLA constitution).

The quorum for this meeting will be as per the requirements of the current constitution (no less than 10 members comprising representatives from each body with no less than 1 representative from each affiliated body who are entitled to vote under section 6.3.3).

On that basis, the following NZLA members have votes:

- Matt Gould/Ursula Johnson on behalf of Waikato Lacrosse.
- Tim Brebner/Roger Snow on behalf of Northern Region Lacrosse Association.
- Shawn Barabash/Will McMaster on behalf of Wellington Lacrosse.
- Liam Griffiths on behalf of Canterbury Lacrosse.

Quorum met.

NZL's lawyers recommended that the first item of business should be that the existing members of NZLA vote in the regional bodies for membership of the NZL (on a full or interim basis) on the basis that their NZLA membership then ceases from this point of time. NZLA, Waikato, Wellington and Canterbury will vote/confirm the following members.

Applications for full membership received from:

- Waikato Lacrosse
- Wellington Lacrosse

The applications have been reviewed by the interim Board who are satisfied that the full membership conditions have been met.

Motion: that Waikato Lacrosse and Wellington Lacrosse be accepted as full members of New Zealand Lacrosse.

- 1) Toby Delamore
- 2) Tim Brebner

Motion carried.

Applications for full membership received from:

- Auckland Lacrosse/Northern Region Lacrosse Association
- Canterbury Lacrosse
- Lacrosse Manawatu

Motion: that:

- Auckland Lacrosse/Northern Region Lacrosse Association, Canterbury Lacrosse and Lacrosse Manawatu be accepted as interim members of New Zealand Lacrosse (**Interim Members**)
 - The Board shall assist the Interim Members towards full membership within the next 3-6 months
 - The Interim Members will continue to hold voting rights as if they were full members as long as the Board is satisfied that steps are being taken to progress their full membership applications.
- 1) Toby Delamore
 - 2) Roger Snow

Motion carried.

5. Appointment of Scrutineers

For this meeting we are required to appoint scrutineers to count any votes if needed.

Motion: that James Clarkson and Max van der Maasbe the scrutineers for this meeting.

- 1) Toby Delamore
- 2) Tara Vrensen

Motion carried.

6. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Annual General Meeting

Motion: that the 2020 NZLA AGM minutes be approved as a true and accurate record provided the above clarifications be made.

- 1) Toby Delamore
- 2) Will McMaster

Motion carried.

7. Matters Arising: None.

8. Annual Report

Presented by Max van der Maas. Link [here](#).

Motion: that the Annual Report be received

- 1) Toby Delamore
- 2) Will McMaster

Motion carried.

9. Presentation of Accounts:

James Clarkson presented the financial accounts. The fees will be set at a date after the AGM. Report [here](#). Financial Accounts [here](#).

Ursula Johnson made a request that when the fees are determined that this be discussed and communicated with the Regions.

Motion: that the annual financial report be accepted and approved.

- 1) Bill Hollins
- 2) Shawn Barabash

Motion carried.

10. Election of Board Members

In accordance with the NZL Constitution which serves as our guidelines for setting up the Board, the NZL Board is to be comprised of six persons elected by this AGM and two persons appointed by a Board Appointments panel.

Appointed Board Members

Thanks were given to:

- The Board Appointments Panel, which was made up of Gillian Simpson, an independent governance professional, Hannah Doney, a past President of NZWLA for many years and who so happens to also be a governance professional. NZLA would also like to acknowledge Hannah Doney in particular for her contribution in getting us to where we are today.
- Our interim Board appointee, Sean Carter who over the last 4 years has worked tirelessly in the NZWLA Treasurer role.

The interim Board has received and accepted the recommendation of the Board Appointments Panel to appoint Kim Grafton and Rachel Batty. We were delighted to receive their applications and we are very excited to welcome them to the New Zealand Lacrosse whanau.

James Clarkson took over as Chair due to Toby Delamore's conflict of interest.

Elected Board Members

Five Applications for Elected Board Members were received from:

- Nicole Goode
- Toby Delamore

- Tara Vrensen
- Shawn Barabash
- Eric Terpening.

Motion: that Nicole Goode be nominated as an Elected Board Member.

- 1) James Clarkson
- 2) Will McMaster

Motion carried.

Motion: that Toby Delamore be nominated as an Elected Board Member.

- 1) James Clarkson
- 2) Bill Hollins

Motion carried.

Motion: that Tara Vrensen be nominated as an Elected Board Member.

- 1) James Clarkson
- 2) Matt Gould

Motion carried.

Motion: that Shawn Barabash be nominated as an Elected Board Member.

- 1) James Clarkson
- 2) Will McMaster

Motion carried.

Motion: that Shawn Barabash be nominated as an Elected Board Member.

- 1) James Clarkson
- 2) Tim Brebner

Motion carried

Motion: that as there are fewer nominations than the number of positions available, that Toby Delamore, Nicole Goode, Tara Vrensen, Shawn Barabash and Eric Terpening be elected to the NZL Board.

- 1) James Clarkson
- 2) Tom Deane

Motion carried.

11. Constitution Amendments

The Interim Board proposed that the below clauses of the Constitution be amended as follows:

21.1.2 one nominee who is independent of the Board, appointed by the president of the New Zealand Institute of Directors; and

21.1.3 one nominee who is independent of the Board, appointed by the chairperson of Sport New Zealand.

We would like to replace these clauses with something along the lines of:

21.12 One person being ~~an independent~~ professional *who is independent of the Board and who is* experienced in governance, ~~and the functions of and appointment process of directors~~ as determined by the Board;

21.1.3 One person who is independent of the Board who has an interest and understanding of lacrosse in New Zealand, *as determined by the Board.*

Ursula Johnson requested that the Regions be given more time to consider this. The motion was deferred.

12. Any Other Business

Roger Snow is the World Lacrosse delegate in his role as NZALU President. It was agreed that Roger remain the delegate until the Board decided on a new representative.

Bill Hollins is the APLU representative. It was agreed that Bill remain the delegate until the Board decided on a new representative.

Shawn Barabash expressed an interest in developing box lacrosse and sending a team to the World Championships. The NZL will look into this going forward.

Mitchell Roberts queried the new Sixes format, the format for the Olympic Games – World Lacrosse keen to hold tournaments internationally in this format. Bill Hollins noted that APLU is looking into holding a tournament as part of the ASPACs tournament.

13. Close of Meeting

Meeting was closed by Toby Delamore at 5pm.

Approved as a true and accurate record

NZL Chairperson

Date: 2023