



**MELBOURNE SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION INC
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Melbourne Softball Association was held at 10am on Sunday May 29th 2016 in the Clubroom at Fawkner Park.

1. WELCOME

Meeting opened at 10:05am by Elaine Duyvestyn, in the absence of Jell Radford, welcoming all members to the 34th AGM of the Melbourne Softball Association (MSA). Minutes were taken by Danielle Senyschyn.

1.1 Poppy Bouhalis acknowledged the traditional owners of the land. Mention was made of the Indigenous and Torres Strait Island flags being flown in recognition of Sorry Day and National Reconciliation Week.

2. ROLL CALL

Red Devils: 1 - Jenny Barratt / 2 - Kimberley Barratt
Wingers: 1 - John Dupe / 2 - Sue James
Panthers: 1 - Belinda Rae / 2 - Alyssa Casten
Melbourne University: 1 - Claire Straw / 2 - Caroline Reid
Monash: Kerry Laird
Melbourne Warriors: Kay Williams
Eastern Raiders: Loretta Stefanopoulos
Kotuku: Rebecca Hicks

Observers: Paula Laudani (Monash)
Meaghan Rae (Panthers)
Rhonda Dupe (Wingers)
Georgia Hill (Eastern Raiders)
Kerry Egan (Wingers)
Caitlin Laird (Monash)
Barry Lott (Monash)
Jackie Campbell (Melbourne Warriors)
Scott Rutherford (Umpire)

Outgoing Committee:

Further to previous adoption, in principal, of the 2012 model rules of incorporation and the proposed amendments to the model rules, which allows that the Executive position would be elected in alternate years and for a two year term the outgoing positions are:

Elaine Duyvestyn (Competition Manager)

Maddi Lam (General Member)

Vacant following passing of Julie Nemeth (Treasurer)

Standing Committee: Danielle Senyschyn
Poppy Bouhalis
Neil Duyvestyn

2.1 Apologies

Jell Radford (MSA President)

Maddi Lam (MSA General Member)

Wayne Duyvestyn (Life Member)

Lorraine Ireland (Life Member)

MINUTES PREVIOUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held on May 31st 2015

Minutes tabled by Elaine Duyvestyn and accepted on the motion of John Dupe (Wingers) and seconded Belinda Rae (Panthers) as a true reflection of the meeting.

3. Matters Arising

Elaine spoke of the current issue between SV and the MSA.

Informed the members that until very recently there had been communication from SV but that there had been in April a meeting between the SV President and new EO and two members of the MSA Executive.

We are now waiting on SV to come back to us with their proposal as to what they want from the MSA in regards to having us reinstated as an affiliated member.

4. CORRESPONDENCE - nil

5. ANNUAL REPORT

5.1 Annual Report

The report was accepted on the motion by Sue James (Wingers) and seconded by Kerry Laird (Monash). The motion was carried.

5.2 Financial Report

A copy of the 2015 financial report was provided to the club delegates in attendance. Clubs were invited to read the report and any queries could be directed to Elaine Duyvestyn.

Noted: Julie Nemeth bequeathed \$5,000 to the MSA in her will.

The report was accepted on the motion by Sue James (Wingers) and seconded by Kay Williams (Melbourne Warriors). The motion was carried.

6. MOTION for CONTINUANCE of MELBOURNE SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION INC.

On the motion of Kerry Laird (Monash) and Jenny Barratt (Red Devils) motion to continue was carried unanimously.

7. RECOGNITION of SERVICE to SOFTBALL

Following reading of a citation and recommendation from MSA Executive Poppy Bouhalis was awarded Life Membership to the Melbourne Softball Association.

Motion to accept: Belinda Rae (Panthers) and seconded by Kay Williams (Melbourne Warriors).

Nominations will also be sought from clubs during the season for Duyvestyn Service Awards.

Both Life Membership and Service Awards shall be presented on Metro League grand final day.

In recognition of Julie Nemeth’s passing and her passion for and service to softball the A Grade Grand Final MVP will be named after her.

8. ELECTION OF 2016/2017 COMMITTEE

In the absence of President Jell Radford Elaine thanked the outgoing Executive for their efforts and support and declared the following positions vacant

The following Incoming Committee nominations were received and carried:

<i>Position</i>	<i>Nomination</i>
Treasurer	Maddi Lam*
Competition Manager	Elaine Duyvestyn
General Member	Belinda Rae

*Subject to her confirming acceptance

Motion to accept: Belinda Rae (Panthers) and seconded by Kerry Laird (Monash)

9. ADDRESS BY PRESIDENT

Elaine spoke indicating that Jell, had she been able to attend, would have a speech that would reflect her enthusiasm for what has been achieved in the past twelve months and for what is to come in the months ahead. Jell to be requested to circulate a brief written précis to the members.

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

10.1 Propose that the changes, as presented, to the model rules of incorporation are adopted in principal subject to any objections being lodged within fourteen (14) days of this meeting.

Clause 76: Winding Up - consensus is that it needs to be more specific.

Suggestion from Sue James that it goes to junior player development. Executive to reword and circulate to members.

Motion to accept: Sue James seconded by Jenny Barratt

10.2 Planning to reinstate Junior Development Officer. Get a program up and running and have the Officer visit schools with the aim of getting school teams in the park.

10.3 Competition matters

a) Reminder that the Late Duty Club is responsible for collapsing and bringing in the back nets.

b) Second named team is to bring in the bases, pitching plate and the benches. To be left near the back net.

c) Scorers please ensure match cards are fully complete

d) Participation Awards for May 29th.

11. MEETING CLOSURE

Meeting Closed at 11.05am