



Quidditch Australia Incorporated

2015 Annual General Meeting

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Monash University Clayton VIC 3800

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Attendee List

Attending Board Members: Eva Setiadi
Matt Ingram
James Mortensen
Hannah Monty
Emma Morris
Maria Wizbicki

Attending Delegates/Proxies:	QNSW	Scott James
	VQA	Gen Gibson
	WAQA	Katelyn Stubberfield
	SAQA	Rajtilak Kapoor (proxy)
	UNSW	Holly Shuttleworth
	UTS	Emily Borghi
	USyd	Lachlan Chisholm
	Macquarie	Geoffrey Talbot
	WSQC	Christian Barquin
	UNQC	James Hosford
	ANU	Morgyn Benstead
	Wollongong	Morgan Legg
	Monash	Nicola Gertler
	Manticores	Dean Rodhouse (proxy)
	Unicorns	Emma Humphrey
	La Trobe	Regina Atkinson
	Basilisks	Gen Gibson (proxy)
	Centaur	Charlie Crutchfield
	Phoenixes	James Hyder
	USC	Alise Thomas
	QUT	Thiline Widanagamage

Absent Delegates/Proxies: Wrackspurts QC
Adelaide Auguries
ACU Banyo Bludgers

AGM Opening

Quorum met prior to scheduled start.

AGM opened at 15:00pm.

Membership Growth

Board member Matt Ingram opened the AGM by outlining the agenda for the day, then proceeded to explain that quidditch in Australia had its largest period of growth since its formation. Some selected statistics were presented;

State	# Teams Starting 2015	# Teams Ending 2015	Percentage Growth
Victoria	4	7	+75%
Queensland	1	3	+200%
Western Australia	1	2	+100%
South Australia	0	1	n/a

- The number of Victorian teams grew by 75%,
- The number of Queensland teams tripled,
- A team from South Australia had formed and is now playing regularly,
- Western Australia gained another team.
- Individual member numbers within New South Wales were up overall, but the total number of teams remained constant. One team - *University of Western Sydney Thestrals* - separated from its university and has become the *Western Sydney Quidditch Club*.

Further to this, some brief information about the development of teams within Victoria and Perth was shown;

- Perth Phoenixes grow by 75%,
- Wrackspurts QC more than doubled in size,
- Basilisks grew by almost 50%.

Remarks were made that despite the impressive growth by the Wrackspurts, none of them were present for the AGM.

AQA/AusSport collaboration for UniBattle

UniBattle 2015 was the first collaboration effort the AQA had done with AusSport. UniBattle is a three day event sporting event for people enrolled at university involving multiple sports. Three quidditch teams competed at the event.

UniBattle also represented another first for Australian quidditch: the first livestreaming of quidditch games over the Internet. Reports from the organisers have indicated that the quidditch livestreams were roughly three times as popular as the next most popular sport.

Both the AQA and AusSport consider quidditch at UniBattle a success and both intend on this continuing in future years. It is the AQA's hope in 2016 there will be six teams competing at the next UniBattle.

Year of the Fantasy Tournament

Every well-established quidditch playing state held at least one fantasy tournament at some point during 2015. At the start of the year, the VQA held the Victorian Fantasy Tournament. A small number of interstate travelers attended.

Recently, Sydney held their second All-Stars fantasy tournament. This had the largest interstate attendance of all tournaments this year. Board member Hannah Monty remarked that she believed that the ANU team had the largest turnout at this tournament.

Tournament	Location
Victorian Fantasy Tournament	Melbourne, VIC
Easter Fantasy Tournament	Perth, WA
Emma Watson Cup	Perth, WA
Sydney All-Stars Fantasy	Sydney, NSW

Global Games Preparations

Midway through 2015, the International Quidditch Association (IQA) announced a bidding process for the next Global Games, to be called the 2016 World Cup. The host location for this was subsequently chosen to be Frankfurt, Germany on the weekend of the July 23rd-24th.

The AQA has already commissioned a selectors panel to pick a team to represent Australia.

Applications for the team are already open. Approximately 90 people have applied prior to the AGM.

Hannah Monty states that New Zealand will be forming a team as well. With the large number of people in Australia that have New Zealand citizenship or New Zealand heritage, those interested in applying for the team should contact herself or Bianca Connell for information.

Insurance Refresher

Midway through the year, a member contacted the insurer asking how to sign up for insurance. It's occurred to the AQA that in the time between the PLI/PII insurance was implemented through to the AGM, all State and Team Delegates are either new or have replaced retired Delegates (with the exception of one team).

Ingram (Board):

Does anyone know how the insurance works?

Question was met with blank looks by everyone.

The AQA does *not* go to the insurer with a list of names. The AQA is in an incorporated body, it exists as a distinct object in the eyes of the other businesses/etc.

The AQA has a contract with the insurer. The contract has a 410 member limit stipulated in it for the negotiated price. Coverage extends to them by virtue of being a member of the AQA.

Question from floor:

This 410 person limit for the insurance. How does that work with trial memberships? Say, if we have 300 people for six months, then another 300 people for the next six months, would that fall under the limit?

Morris (Board):

410 is the number QAI had told the insurer it's likely to have. Can change that amount if needed. Each person counts to the member limit, so in that case we'd have 600 members.

Barquin (WSQC):

Are the claims to be made by the member or the team rep?

Monty (Board):

- Part of the form is completed by the member,
- Another part of the form is completed by representative of the club,
- The completed form is to be brought to the AQA so that their membership can be verified.

Gertler (Monash):

Is there a reason the claims form isn't available on the Delegates Facebook group?

Question was shouted down by fellow delegates, claiming that both the form proper and the information guide are available within the group. Board member Emma Morris noted *that the form is titled with 2014*, however this is solely because the insurer did not make any changes to the claims process for 2015/2016.

Hosford (UNQC):

Is there any particular reason it's not placed up on the website? Is it more an IT problem?

Ingram (Board):

More of an IT problem than anything.

Barquin (WSQC):

So can we expect to see that forthcoming online at some point?

Answered in the affirmative.

Stubberfield (WAQA):

Are we going to talk about trainings being covered?

Ingram (Board):

Trainings are covered. Everyone has to be a member. It's an annoying thing.

Crutchfield (Centaur):

There was some talk about needing an event sanctioning form, does this still need to be filled for training?

Ingram (Board):

- Correct.
- Event sanctioning form available.

Plans exist to rewrite it over the Summer. When form is submitted, an automated email is sent. Ingram (Board) advised that best practice is to make contact with him *as well*.

Hosford (UNQC):

Possibly more of an *expansion and development* question over an insurance one. Understands that if someone is not a member there's not much you can do. But without the ability to have anybody at a training session that isn't covered basically makes growth impossible.

Ingram (Board):

Yeah, it hurts. It hurts a lot. I agree with you.

Financial Review

Morris (Board) presents the financial report that was sent out prior to the AGM.

It was noted that the *Other Expenses* value is quite large on the sent report, so a revised report was produced that split the summary value into its itemised components.

Development grants were split from the *Other Expenses* and discussed with the floor.

Development grants were introduced at the start of 2015 for teams, associations, etc to apply for. QAI would consider the proposal, and either accepts it and grant the agreed value, or come back to the applicant and negotiate a different value.

The total budget allocated was \$1,000.00

Applicant	Agreed Value
Adelaide Auguries	\$350.00
Melbourne Manticores	\$394.75

The AQA reporting year runs from September 1st to 31st August.

\$30,350.00 membership fees for the 2014-2015 reporting year. Extra memberships have been accepted in the period between 1st Sep and the AGM. These aren't part of the reporting year, and such aren't included in the AGM.

Total Membership Income	Start	End
\$11,150.00	September 1st	December 31st
\$19,200.00	January 1st	August 31st

Fundraising income came from QuidCamp T-Shirts as well as IndieGoGo Headbands.

IndieGoGo was a significant loss. Total cost for the campaign was \$7,013.80, however it only brought in approximately \$6,000. QAI will be more careful in the future with IndieGoGo campaigns.

Event Income is the 2014 QuafI Social and the 2015 QuidCamp income.

Event Income	Income
2014 QuafI Social	\$4,300
2015 QuidCamp	\$9,800

Monty (Board) motions to accept the report. Shuttleworth (UNSW) seconds. 17 votes in the affirmative. 0 votes in the negative. 1 Abstention from Hosford (UNQC). 3 non-votes.

Elections

Rayan Calimlim

UTS Opaleyes

Shuttleworth (UNSW):

Talk about making changes, and improving, and ideas what the changes would be?

Calimlim:

Hesitant to give an answer, because he hasn't seen the inside.

Shuttleworth (UNSW):

Follow-up question. Any ideas?

Calimlim:

- In terms of generating income, look at different ways of charging members/clubs.
- Increased transparency.
- More financial data/minutes.
- Wants Delegates to be more hands-on in the organization.

Benstead (ANU):

Do you have a particular portfolio you're interested in?

Calimlim:

Treasurer or policy development.

Benstead (ANU):

Follow-up question. Talked about an 'actual company'. Any example of differences

Calimlim:

Real company – don't have a fall back. At a uni, you have uni guild. Here, only people responsible are management and Delegates. Whereas with club society, goes back to the uni. That's the biggest thing.

Question from floor:

In regards to the structure of the organisation, who are the liable people?

Ingram (Board):

- Individual members have no financial liability to QAI.
- No flow on effects that affect people financially.
- Director liability depends on legality of their actions.

Crutchfield (Centaurus):

Are you interested in growing the sport, and how would you look at developing states?

Calimlim:

- Need good roots. Need transparency and sustainability.
- Development of quidditch through targeted messaging.
- Continued focus on universities – have been the biggest ‘markets’, as well as communities who are likely to pick up the sport.
- Admits marketing isn’t his strong point – would look at getting people interested in development into those roles.

Bianca Connell

WSQC

Benstead (ANU):

What are the main things that need to change in QAI?

Connell:

Communication. Seems like a mad block between AQA and team reps. Would like to see that opened. Transparency between team reps and board members. Would fix it by giving the information across. If the board discussed something, would propose to the board that it be put out to team reps, and then possibly to Australian Quidditch Facebook groups.

Ingram (Board):

What do you feel about board reaching out to team reps?

Connell:

First point would be to clean up Master List. Hopefully e-mails too. In terms of tracing people down would be sending message on Facebook. Things like that.

Legg (Wollongong):

You mentioned that if you feel the team reps know something, is that a matter that 'who decides what is appropriate' or should everything be released?

Connell:

It's a board thing. A general 'we as a board'. Would say "Hey board guys, what do you reckon?"

Gertler (Monash):

Is there a specific portfolio you'd be interested in?

Connell:

- Has book keeping experience.
- Can handle doing payments and expenses.
- Also good at communication and getting information across.
- IF there is an opening, will throw efforts into that.

Shuttleworth (UNSW):

In terms of developing the AQA, what would you like to do? Where do you see it going in development?

Connell:

VQA and NSW are pretty much on their own feet. Queensland is firing up on their own feet too. AQA could contact the other universities. Helping the state boards with their ideas for expansion?

Gibson (VQA):

How passionately do you feel about quidditch in Australia?

Connell:

Very. Has a lot of time on her hands, and would like to devote her time to that.

Gibson (VQA):

Then why helping NZ instead of Drop Bears?

Connell:

Has New Zealand citizenship. Helping out the region. Would also love to help send teams to Asia Cup. Would be good to broaden our international horizons.

Benstead (ANU):

What would you say to concerns about two people from the same team on the board?

Connell:

Yeah, it might be a concern, but as long as they don't simply follow each other it's fine.

Question from floor:

Any experience on exec boards for companies or university societies?

Hirst:

Currently in the *Melbourne University Potterheads*.

Barquin (WSQC):

Where would you focus your energy if you were on the board?

Hirst:

Marketing and events. Feels growth is one of the most important things for quidditch.

Barquin (WSQC):

Follow-up. Any ideas for activities you'd like to do?

Hirst:

- Conventions - could do it in every state.
- Other events, working with pop-culture stores. Possibilities through other events like that.

Benstead (ANU):

Focus on current demographic?

Hirst:

- Feels that the twenty-somethings are the key demographic.
- Would like to develop first before looking at quid.

Monty (Board):

Would you look outside the geek area?

Hirst:

- Sees quidditch as the perfect mix of Sporty and Geeky.
- Would be happy to look further into that field.

Monty (Board):

What guarantee do we have you won't go on another hiatus?

Morris (Board):

- Compares question to asking if someone with cancer will relapse.
- Current projection is no more hiatuses.
- Impossible to give guarantees.

Gibson (VQA):

If there was a restructure, would you be interested in any other portfolios?

Morris (Board):

- Membership or social media.
- Has done referee development in the past.

Ingram (Board):

With the push for policy around unexpected delays/hiatus, how do you foresee a board member dealing with an extended hiatus?

Morris (Board):

- Foresees the board having a serious conversation with the individual, where they are, and where they will be.
- Ensure that the projected outcome is a return to duties within a set date.

Ingram (Board):

Follow up – would transferring portfolios early on be part of that policy?

Morris (Board):

Yes.

Shuttleworth (UNSW):

With reference to hiatus policy, if you foresaw a relapse coming, would you consider resigning?

Morris:

Yes.

Question from floor:

The proposed constitutional amendments concerning this, what do you think about them?

Morris (Board):

- Does agree that the changes are beneficial.
- Doesn't believe she was 'derelict in her duty' at any point.

Question from floor:

Do you think there is anything that will drastically change if we re-elect you, or will it be the same board member doing the same things?

Morris (Board):

- Expects to be more involved in fundraising.
- With regards to finances, has been a big reason why fees are as low as they are.
- Was able to renegotiate prices.

Joshua Naismith Wollongong Warriors

Question from floor:

What portfolio would you like?

Naismith:

Essentially, since he doesn't have a lot of experience in this, would be happy to take whatever portfolio he is given.

Ingram (Board):

If you get given Secretary, who would you turn to if in need of help?

Naismith:

Gestures towards the current Secretary. But also part of learning is figuring out things for yourself.

Question from floor:

What leadership groups?

Naismith:

Only really in high-school.

Question from floor:

What do you think you'd look for in your fellow board members? Like, what qualities would you like to have in them?

Naismith:

I'll be given a team. And I have to work the best with that team as possible.

Question from floor:

Re-stating, what qualities... What do you value in other people? Ideal board member?

Naismith:

Honest, straightforward and reliable.

Question from floor:

What do you want from quidditch?

Naismith:

To be recognised by Australian Institute of Sport.

Question from floor:

Where do you see quidditch in 5 years?

Naismith:

The biggest thing he wants to see is for it to grow, healthy.

Question from floor:

So you mentioned in the start of your speech, you're a very rigid follower in rules. You said you follow rules strictly, would you be able to identify when a rule isn't properly working?

Naismith:

Would take the problems under consideration, take the team reps points under consideration and take them to the board.

Question from floor:

What two goals do you have for in your two years? What the top two goals for QAI?

Naismith:

Would like to see increased communication between state bodies and QAI.

Question from floor:

After you have 'fixed' these problems, what do you want to do?

Russell:

Depends on portfolios. The AQA made a profit. But we're a non-profit, so we aren't calling it that. So we need to increase expenditure.

Question from floor:

What portfolio would you ideally get?

Russell:

Treasurer. Need to publically releasing budgets.

Question from floor:

Follow-up. What experience do you have for that?

Russell:

Has done that at his club. Same with Secretary.

Question from floor:

How would you contact team delegates?

Russell:

If they don't receive contact, then they abstain. If they don't communicate, they don't get a say.

James (QNSW):

How would you go about the process of changing the bid process from team to state?

Russell:

- In favour of giving a lot more to the states.
- WA and Victoria are good.
- QNSW could be better.

Question from floor:

Do you think states should have more of a role in voting.

Russell:

- At the moment, votes to the bottom layer – member clubs.
- Hence states don't need a vote – don't need to go 'up the totem pole.'
- States can talk to the teams, and discuss.
- Feels general business should be left up to states.
- QAI should be targeting help to new teams that don't necessarily have state organisations.

Phil Van Kerk Oerle University of New South Wales

Question from floor:

What portfolio would you seek?

Van Kerk Oerle:

Web Admin, and gameplay.

Question from floor:

How much do you know on the computer science side?

Van Kerk Oerle:

Doing first year at uni. If given the power/system, would work to make it happen.

Question:

If not elected as board member, would you still be interested in an IT position?

Van Kerk Oerle:

Mainly want to be on the board, moving away from university-style system. But yes, if doesn't get it, would be interested in an IT position.

Ingram (Board):

Any other suggestions for the website? Because if you don't get on, I'll probably hire you tonight.

Van Kerk Oerle:

- Transfer form.
- Join a team upon sign up.
- When transferring, what you do is go on, click transfer, and then both team reps are emailed and notified about it as well as QAI.

Question from floor:

All these changes sound very time-consuming. What's your schedule like?

Van Kerk Oerle:

- Will be underloading coursework in the latter half of 2016.
- Will have more time then.
- Plans to pin in a university course time load into QAI.

Question from floor:

What's your vision for the sport in the next 2-5 years?

Van Kerk Oerle:

- Want the current teams to be 'rep teams'.
- And then smaller city or area leagues.
- Will probably be 10-20 year timeframe.

Question from floor:

The needed officials, referees, etc. – where are they going to come from?

Van Kerk Oerle:

- Currently sourcing them from players.
- Eventually players won't play at high levels.
- Hopes that retiring players transition into referees.
- Admits that at the moment the sport is too young.

Question from floor:

If you're on the board, we have had issues with referees on the past; would you be willing to provide greater incentives and greater training opportunities for referees?

Van Kerk Oerle:

Referee training opportunities such as QuidCamp. QuidCamp should have more emphasis on refereeing as well. One idea they had when thinking about running a bid for QuidCamp, was to have on the second day, 'you're going to ref this game', and then you get to know more about what's refereeing. And you get new people to shadow the refs, and they can ref later in the day. In a tournament where it won't affect rankings.

Question from floor:

Over your last two years, what are your achievements?

Wizbicki:

IndieGoGo. Television interviews and Radio interviews for the Dropbears, for SBS, Channel 9, 7, and ABC.

Question from floor:

Mentioned something about the presidency, and what's your general commitment schedule?

Wizbicki:

- Busy person by personality.
- At the end of the day, will prioritise uni.
- Will schedule QAI work to have projects timed outside of key university periods.

Question from floor:

A lot of what you claimed as achievements happened a long while back (with Dropbears). What have you done since then?

Wizbicki:

- Admits that university has gotten intense and requires a lot of maintenance.
- Was working with Supersonic, but that was problematic due to their communication flaws.

Gibson (VQA):

Quidditch isn't your highest priority, and that's okay. But speaking as president of VQA, if you say you 'won't do anything' then that isn't on.

Wizbicki:

Obviously, things are going to change after today. It's more a way of doing things that are easier for her to do. Admin duties for example. Her degree has a huge managerial base and that's something she can work more on.

Question from floor:

Do you still hold your position as an appointed director?

Wizbicki:

If I don't get elected in, I will resign, as clearly people don't want me in.

Question from floor:

Are you going to work harder next year?

Wizbicki:

Yes.

Constitutional Changes

Please see Appendix 1 for the proposed amendments at the end of this document.

For this section of the AGM, Board member James Mortensen acted as chairperson.

Humphrey (Unicorns): Will the proposed amendments be discussed and explained prior to voting?

6.4 Re-Affiliation

Monty (Board): This amendment should be moved to a separate part of the constitution as it has relevance to all policies, not just re-affiliation.

James (QNSW): Motioned the proposed changes to 6.4.

Kapoor (SAQA): Seconded.

Motion Passes.

7.3 Use of Register

Monty (Board):

- A *large* volume of legislation already exists surrounding privacy and the proper use of member information.
- The intent of the changes are covered in said legislation.
- The wording of this may put unreasonable limitations on QAI's ability to operate.

A brief discussion between numerous Delegates quickly reaches consensus. All present agree to not motion the amendment.

15.1 Nominations

Benstead (ANU): At the moment, the opening and closing periods are inconsistent, will this compound the problem?

Mortensen (Board): No. The next amendment addresses the closing of nomination periods and that is more relevant to your concern.

Gibson (VQA): Motioned the proposed changes to 15.1.

James (QNSW): Seconded.

Motion Passed.

15.2 Form of Nomination

Shuttleworth (UNSW): A problem with the Notice for nominations for executive positions and for constitution changes - it only specifies a closing date for these. It has no corresponding opening.

Monty (Board): The Notice *is* the opening. It's implied in the process.

James (QNSW): Motion the proposed changes to 15.2.

Shuttleworth (UNSW): Seconded.

Motion Passed.

16.3 Term of Appointment for Appointed Directors

Barquin (WSQC): Is there a limit to the total concurrent tenure for an Appointed Director?

Mortensen (Board): Yes. It's covered in a different section of the Constitution.

Kapoor (SAQA): With the changes in Sections 15.1 and 15.2, will this create situations where an Appointed Director must resign before being re-appointed or elected?

Mortensen (Board): Choosing the date the resignation becomes effective to be the day of the AGM circumvents that problem.

James (QNSW): Motion the proposed changes to 16.3.

Barquin (WSQC): Seconded.

Motion Passed.

17.1 Casual Vacancies

Benstead (ANU): Will two-year Director tenures lead to situations where, say, six (6) directors are up for re-election?

Monty (Board): No. This is covered in the Constitution. If such a situation arises, directors are to draw-straws to determine who will re-run for election.

Shuttleworth (UNSW): Motion the proposed changes to 17.1.

Talbot (Macquarie): Seconded.

Motion Passed.

17.2 Grounds for Termination of Director

Three proposed amendments to Section 17.2 were received by QAI.

Monty (Board): Proposed that the proposed new clause in Section 17.2(h) and all sections containing *thirty-one(31) days* be changed to *thirty(30) days*, keeping in-line with other periods of time within the Constitution.

Mortensen (Board): Seconded

Motion Passed.

Monty (Board): Proposed that the two proposed changes to Section 17.2(e) be combined.

Shuttleworth (UNSW): How frequent are meetings? And what is the current policy on leave?

Mortensen (Board): Rather infrequent. There is no policy.

Gertler (Monash): Section 18.1 states that the Board has no set number of meetings.

Barquin (WSQC): Combining the proposed changes to Section 17.2(e) causes problems if the board does not meet for three(3) months.

Shuttleworth (UNSW): Motioned the *first* proposed amendment to Section 17.2(e).

Kapoor (SAQA): Seconded.

Motion Failed.

Humphrey (Unicorns): Motioned the *second* proposed amendment to Section 17.2(e).

Gibson (VQA): Seconded.

Motion Passed.

James (QNSW): What exactly constitutes *derelict* in their duties?

Mortensen (Board): The Board exercises their best judgment.

James (QNSW): Motioned the proposed amendment to Section 17.2(h).

Shuttleworth (UNSW): Seconded.

Motion Passed.

17.3 Board May Act

Hosford (UNQC): Proposed that the assignment of portfolios be extended to include staff members as well.

Monty (Board): Directors can delegate out to staff members already, so that change would remove accountability from the Board.

Gibson (VQA): Motioned the proposed amendment to Section 17.3(h).

Shuttleworth UNSW): Seconded.

Motion Passed.

26 Notices of Motion

Shuttleworth (UNSW): Motioned the proposed amendment to Section 26.

James (QNSW): Seconded.

Motion Passed.

5.1 Categories of Members

28.1 Members Entitled to Vote

Monty (Board):

Hosford (UNQC): Wants to remove bureaucracy so State bodies having a vote added unnecessary complexity.

Benstead (ANU): Believes that State bodies *ought to* have a vote precisely because it adds extra representation - particularly to smaller states.

Stubberfield (WAQA): WAQA's vote represents two unofficial quidditch teams. Removing the State body vote removes representation. It makes State-sponsored growth more difficult when the State has no say.

Barquin (WSQC): Clubs will vote for what's in the best interest of the individual club. The States' duty is to act in the best interest of all the clubs in the respective state. This means that Club and State bodies often vote differently (i.e. the State *not* voting at the direction of the Clubs).

Humphrey (Unicorns): Motioned the proposed amendment to Section 5.1 and Section 28.1.

Hosford (UNQC): Seconded.

Motion Failed.

General Business

Two motions were presented to the floor.

Motion 1.

The Board, State representatives and Club representatives are to engage in an open discussion regarding the Quidditch Australia Incorporated Constitution, its function, application and flaws. This discussion is to be facilitated by the Board of Directors and appropriate staff. This discussion is to be hosted within the Annual Strategic Forum (Section 30, Quidditch Australia Incorporated Constitution) and occurring within three (3) months of this Annual General Meeting. If deemed necessary, the result of the Strategic Forum will be included in a formal review of the Quidditch Australia Incorporated Constitution and constitutional changes within three (3) months of the Strategic Forum.

Ingram (Board): The 2016 QuidCamp held in Wollongong is a convenient event to host the Strategic Forum. *However*, QuidCamp is very close to the end of this three-month period. If QuidCamp needs to be rescheduled then the period may lapse without having the Forum. Proposed that the three-month window be extended to four-months for added flexibility.

Gertler (Monash): Motioned the above motion without changes.

Barquin (WSQC): Seconded.

Motion Passed.

Motion 2.

Membership for the AQA will move to a calendar year system starting in 2016, with appropriate procedures in place to transfer all players on to this system.

Barquin (SWQC): This makes sense. It matches the actual playing season.

James (QNSW): Motioned the above motion without changes.

Thomas (USC): Seconded.

Motion Passed.

Chisholm (USyd):

Presentations from candidates were of enjoyable. Would appreciate the QAI posting statements from future candidates for future elections. Found it difficult to accurately gauge candidates without prior information.

Gibson (VQA):

The VQA approached the selectors candidates. All Delegates had the time and opportunity to do so. It's not strictly necessary for QAI to do this.

Chisholm (USyd):

With regards to Dropbears selectors panel votes; was Ingram (Board) the only person with access to the votes? It seems unprofessional that only one person has access.

Ingram (Board):

Some Board members were applying for positions as well. Felt inappropriate to disclose results because of vested interests in the outcome. Had been asked in private to keep the votes secret. Elected to not share the votes with the Board as a result.

Mortensen (Board):

Due to the sport's age and size people in executive positions are likely to have vested interests. Given enough time, this problem will become less of an issue on its own.

Comment from Gibson (VQA):

Who are the Board members accountable to? There should be a complaints process.

Morris (Board):

There is. It was established two years ago.

Gertler (Monash):

It is available in the description of the Delegate Facebook group. It goes to QAI Head HR, Nickholds (QAI Staff).

AGM Closing

AGM Closed at 18:47 pm.

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6.4 Re-Affiliation

(a) States and Clubs must re-affiliate annually with the Association in accordance with the procedures set down by the Association in Regulations from time to time. **Unless required by the Act, or other legislative authority, States and Clubs will be given not less than thirty (30) days notice of changes to the Regulations.**

7.3 Use of Register

Subject to the Act, confidentiality considerations and privacy laws, the Register may be used to further the Objects, in such manner as the Board considers appropriate. **If a Member's details are used for anything more than verification of membership status, the Board will endeavor to make said Members aware of this use. The Board will make contact with Members in a manner it sees fit.**

15.1 Nominations

~~(c)~~**(a)** Nominations for elected Director positions shall be called for ~~forty-eight (48)~~ **sixty (60)** days prior to the Annual General Meeting. When calling for nominations details of the necessary qualifications and job descriptions for the positions shall also be provided. Qualifications and job descriptions shall be as determined by the Board from time to time.

~~(d)~~**(b)** Nominees for elected Director positions must declare any position they hold in a State or a Club including as an officer (howsoever described including as a Delegate) or as a full time employee.

15.2 Form of Nomination

Nominations must be:

(a) in writing;

(b) on the prescribed form (if any) provided for that purpose;

(c) signed by an authorised representative from two (2) States and/or Clubs;

(d) certified by the nominee (who must be an Individual Member) expressing ~~his~~ **their** willingness to accept the position for which ~~she is~~ **they are** nominated; and

(e) delivered to the Association not less than ~~thirty five (35)~~ **thirty (30)** days before the date fixed for the Annual General Meeting.

16.3 Term of Appointment for Appointed Directors

(a) Appointed Directors may be appointed by the elected Directors under this Constitution for a term of ~~two (2) years, which shall commence from the first Board meeting after the Annual General Meeting until after the conclusion of the second Annual General Meeting following~~ **their appointment until the next Annual General Meeting.**

17.1 Casual Vacancies

Any casual vacancy occurring in the position of Director may be filled by the remaining Directors from among appropriately qualified persons. Any casual vacancy may only be filled ~~for the remainder of the Director's term under this Constitution.~~ **until the next Annual General Meeting.**

17.2 Grounds for Termination of Director

(e) is absent without the consent of the Board from meetings of the Board held during a period of ~~six (6) months~~ **2 consecutive meetings;**

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(e) is absent without the consent of the Board from meetings of the Board held during a period of ~~six (6)~~ **three (3) months;**

17.3 Board May Act

The Board may grant a Director personal leave for a period of up to six (6) months. During this period the Board must assignment the portfolio of the Director on leave to one or more of the remaining Directors.

In the event of a casual vacancy or vacancies in the office of a Director or Directors, the remaining Directors may act but, if the number of remaining Directors is not sufficient to constitute a quorum at a meeting of the Board, they may act only for the purpose of increasing the number of Director to a number sufficient to constitute such a quorum.

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(h) in the opinion of the Board (but subject always to this Constitution):

(i) has acted in a manner unbecoming or prejudicial to the Objects and interests of the Association; or

(ii) has brought the Association into disrepute; or

(iii) has been derelict in their duties and responsibilities as a director for a period of greater than 31 days.

26. NOTICES OF MOTION

(a) Members entitled to vote may submit notices of motion for inclusion as special business at a General Meeting. All notices of motion must be submitted in writing to the Executive Director not less than ~~thirty-five (35)~~ thirty-one (31) days (excluding receiving date and meeting date) prior to the General Meeting.

(b) A call for submissions for motions must be made by the Board no less than 60 days prior to the meeting.

5.1 Categories of Members

The Members of the Association shall consist of:

(a) States, which subject to this Constitution, shall be represented by a Delegate, ~~and who shall have the right to receive notice of General Meetings and to be present, debate and vote on behalf of the State at General Meetings;~~ and who shall have the right to receive notice of General Meetings and to be present and to debate at General Meetings, but shall have no voting rights;

28.1 Members Entitled to Vote

Each ~~State and~~ Club shall be entitled to one (1) vote at General Meetings which, subject to this clause shall be exercised by the ~~State or~~ Club's Delegate. No other Member shall be entitled to vote but shall subject to this Constitution have, and be entitled to exercise, those rights set out in clause 5.1. The Directors shall have no right to vote at General Meetings.