

PGC Annual General Assembly



- Welkam / Welcome / Bienvenue
- 10 -11 May 2016
- Le Lagon Resort Hotel, Port Vila



PGC Annual General Assembly



- Circulation of meeting documents:
- Meeting Agenda -18 March 2016
- Sport Program Review -15 January 2016
- Previous Minutes - 6 August 2015
- Audited Finance Report - 14 April 2016



- All re-circulated 26 April 2016
- 1 hard copy per PGA at registration

Executive Board Report

2015:



- Completed oversight of Port Moresby 2015 Pacific Games – July
- Transfer of Knowledge Visit to PNG with Tonga 2019 Games Organising Committee – September
- Invitations to all PGAs and Oceania Federations to make submissions to the Sports Committee's quadrennial Sports Program Review
- Meeting in Port Vila: 1-3 December
 - Rectified Vanuatu 2017 Pacific Mini Games Host Contract
 - Consideration of Sports Committee's Sport Program Review and Development of Recommendations to 2016 General Assembly
 - Finalised Invitation to Bid for 2023 Games



Executive Board Report



2016:

- Completed 2015 Audited Financial Statements
- Evaluation of 2023 Pacific Games Bids – March
- Oversight of Games Organising Committees
- Attended meeting of the Tonga 2019 Audit & Governance Authority – 20 April
- Meeting in Port Vila – 7 May



Executive Board Report

Next 18 Months



- Incoming Executive Board to meet later in 2016
- Develop Next Business Plan 2017-2020
- Activation of the new Committee structure:
 - Sports
 - Marketing
 - Audit & Finance
- Oversight of Preparations for Vanuatu 2017, Tonga 2019, CNMI2021, OC2023
 - Development of Sponsorship & Marketing
 - MOU Agreements with Oceania Federations whose sports are in these two Games
 - Technical Officials Development/Travel
 - Sports Equipment/Technology



Treasurer's Report

Trésorier Rapport

John Tierney



2015 Financial Statements

- Audited Financial Statements sent to PGAs on 14 April
- First audit under new company Pacific Games Council Ltd
- Incorporated in Cook Islands 20 January 2015 following resolutions of the 2014 General Assembly in Port Moresby
- Recognises each PGA has been issued with a \$20 limited liability share, paid up share capital equates to \$440
- Pacific Games Council Limited assumed all assets and liabilities of former entity, Pacific Games Council
- 2015 Audited Financial Statements includes transactions for period 1-19 January 2015

Auditors Report for 2015

Rapport D 'Audit

➤ **Scope of Audit**

- “We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Pacific Games Council Limited which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2015, and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes”
- “We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing....We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion”.



Auditors Report for 2015

➤ **Audit Opinion**

- “In our opinion:
- A) proper books of account have been kept by the Company
- B) the accompanying Financial Statements which have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards for Small and Medium-sized Entities:
 - i) are in agreement with the books of account; and
 - ii) to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us
 - A) give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at 31 December 2015 and of its financial performance, changes in equity, and its cash flows for the year ended on that date; and
 - B) give information required by Cook Islands International Companies Act
- We have obtained all the information and explanations which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, were necessary for the purposes of our audit”
- Signed Ernst & Young 7 April 2016



Summary of 2015 Financial Statements

Position	2014	2015
Net Surplus	\$ 286,873	\$70,309
Total Assets	\$1,136,236	\$1,358,230
Total Liabilities	\$ 4,828	\$ 156,073
Members Equity	\$1,131,408	\$1,202,157



2015 Financial Statements



- 2015 Income \$425,868
 - \$654,370 in 2014
 - Predominantly 2015 Pacific Games sponsor revenues shared with GOC
- 2015 Expenditure \$388,401
 - \$367,497 in 2014
 - 2015 Games PGA Marketing Grant



- 2015 Equity \$1,202,157
 - \$1,131,408 in 2014
 - 6% increase
 - Cash & cash equivalents of \$1,204, 034

Budget 2016-2020

- Executive Board maintains a five year forward budget
 - Cash Flows revised twice each year by Executive Board
- Income/Expenditure 2016-2020
 - Locked into four year revenue streams for Pacific (& Mini) Games
 - Maintaining low overhead expenditure base with Secretariat

RESERVES

➤ Council Reserves

- Constitutional Recognition of Reserves in 2014 - Article 16.2.n
 - Required to set Reserve if less than 4 years expenditures (\$1,289,562)
 - 2014 General Assembly Agreed to a \$600,000 Reserve as a first step; increased to \$700,000 in 2015
 - Reserve to be increased to \$740,000 in 2016 based on Council's surplus achieved in 2015

Protocol 7 Penalty Fees

- Penalty fees under the Charter for withdrawing from sports
- Protocol 7.8: \$1,000 per sport by gender @ 12 months to go
- Protocol 7.10: \$2,000 per sport by gender @ 6 months to go
- \$153,000 in 2015 Pacific Games penalties were levied and payable by 19 PGAs
- \$29,000 paid by 6 PGAs, \$124,000 remains outstanding from 13 PGAs who have been presented with and signed acknowledgement letters with recovery options
- Protocol 7 Entry Processes will be reviewed under Agenda Item 7a – Sport Program Review

Adoption of Financial Statements

- My pleasure to move the adoption of the Pacific Games Council Limited's 2015 Audited Financial Statements
- M. Le Président j'ai le plaisir de présenter à l'approbation les comptes certifiés de 2015 du Conseil des Jeux du Pacifique

MARKETING COMMITTEE REPORT

23-25 September in Port Moresby



COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

- John Tierney, Chairman
- Peter Stewart (PNG2015)
- Fred Sevele and team (Tonga 2019)
- Andrew Minogue, CEO
- Atma Maharaj (PGC Adviser)



TRANSFER OF KNOWLEDGE to TONGA 2019

MET WITH BSP BANK : Official Sponsor 2015

MARKETING COMMITTEE OUTCOMES



- Developed PGC Marketing Plan for post 2015 era
- PGC committing resources in host markets & new rights ownership model - Article 27
- Prospectus drafted for next Games cycle and will enter the market shortly
- More cost-effective Host Broadcast model developed with the PNG2015 Host Broadcaster



- Upcoming Games to be held in smaller host markets than 2011 and 2015
- BUT still good opportunities to commercialize the Pacific Games and enhance the value of the brand
 - Inclusion of Australia, New Zealand as a trial
 - Qualification events in more sports

SPORTS COMMITTEE REPORT

- Article 23.6: Sports Program Review mandatory after each major edition of Pacific Games
- Terms of Reference for Sport Program Review presented at 2015 General Assembly:
- Size of Pacific Games sports program
- The Compulsory Sports
- Australia and New Zealand Participation
- Youth component at Pacific Mini Games
- Athlete Eligibility & Entries processes
- Technical Officiating
- Changes to events schedule within sports
- Also considered amendments to Tonga 2019 sports program



SPORTS COMMITTEE REPORT



- PGAs and Oceania Federations invited to make submissions; which were received from:
 - 7 PGAs, 24 Oceania Federations
 - Port Moresby 2015 Games Organising Committee & Host Broadcaster
 - Tonga 2019 Games Organising Committee
- Met 2-3 November at Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games Head Office



- Marcus Stephen (Chairman)
- Michel Quintin (NC2011)
- Tamzin Wardley (PNG2015)
- Joe Carlo (VAN2017)
- Fred Sevele and team (Tonga 2019)
- Ryan Pini (PGC Athletes' Representative)
- Yvonne Mullins (OSFO/Oceania Athletics)
- Jeff Chelpi (COWF2013, late apology)

SPORTS PROGRAM REVIEW



- Reported to the Executive Board on each of the Terms of Reference for Sport Program Review
- Executive Board considered the report in December and adopted it in full
- Report and recommendations circulated to PGAs on 15 January



- Proposals to be considered under Agenda Item #7
- Thank you Mr Chairman and thank you to everyone who participated in the review

WOMEN IN SPORT

Frida Delmau



- Progression of Women's Participation at the 2015 Pacific Games, but more work to do
- 64% of sports have the same number of events for Women as exist for Men
- 8 of 24 participating countries (33%) had more female medalists than male medalists
- Only 2 sports had more PGAs entered in the Women's event than in the Men's event



WOMEN IN SPORT

Frida Delmau



- 7 out of 28 Technical Delegates from IFs were female (25%)
- 5 of 24 Chefs de Mission were female (20%)
- Proposal in Sports Program Review to promote Women's Football to compulsory list meaning all compulsory sports will be offered for Men and Women



ATHLETES REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Ryan Pini



- Elected in 2015 – 1386 (45%) athletes voted; 878 (33%) voting athletes at 2011 Games
- 1852 athletes educated at well located VOA booth
- Participated in all Executive Board activities; Member of Sports Committee; participated in Sports Program Review meeting



- Member of ONOC Athletes Commission
Ensuring athletes aware of latest developments in the Pacific Games and ready to assist PGAs to develop or improve their Athletes Commissions
- Predecessor Carl Probert appointment to Board of World Olympians Association

SPORTS PROGRAM REVIEW

1. Overview - Key Points



- Very successful 2015 Pacific Games
- Charter operating efficiently – major changes not recommended
- Refinements still needed to keep up with changing face of sports internationally, attract the best athletes, and keep Games sustainable
- More emphasis on “adding value” to the athlete experience; e.g. qualifications, rankings, given the high costs of travel and other events on offer
- Must maintain an attractive sports program for the athletes, sponsors, media, general public and Governments who we need as hosts



2. PACIFIC GAMES SPORTS PROGRAM

A. Introduction



- Article 23.6: Sports program and the compulsory sports must be assessed each four years after the major edition of the Pacific Games
- Ten years since Apia Charter 2006 reforms reduced program from 33 sports in Samoa 2007 to 28 sports at Port Moresby 2015



- 2019 Pacific Games – reduced further to 26 sports in 2012 Sports Program Review following review of New Caledonia 2011 Games (27 sports)
- Compulsory Sports generally performing well
 - 12 compulsory in the 2007 Games
 - 14 compulsory in the 2015 Games

2. PACIFIC GAMES SPORTS PROGRAM

B. Size of the Games – Number of Sports



(i) Minimum 6 PGA entries

- Remains the best measure of credible competition
- 24 sports reached this standard in 2011 and 2015
- Not easy to reach nowadays with event calendar
- NC2011 OC recommended 24 sports in 2012 SPR
- 2012 General Assembly lowered maximum from 28 to 26 for 2019 Pacific Games
- Port Moresby 2015 OC recommended 20 sports
 - 16 compulsory and 4 optional (only 2 for teams)
- Maximum 24 sports recommended – hopefully the final reduction in the number of sports



2. PACIFIC GAMES SPORTS PROGRAM

B. Size of the Games – Number of Sports



(ii) Sustainability – Participant & Venues Numbers

- Design size of the sports program to target a maximum of 4,000 athletes and officials
- 24 sport program could achieve this target
- IOC and CGF set targets which send a message of sustainability for prospective hosts
- Especially in the requirements for new venues
- Biggest risk area in countdown to Pacific Games



2. PACIFIC GAMES SPORTS PROGRAM

B. Size of the Games – Number of Sports



(iii) Limits to Team Sport Program

- Not recommending a limit on the number of team sports which can be chosen by the host PGA
- Treat all sports equally
- Further encourage small-sided events: Rugby 7s, League 9s, and the debut of Hockey 5s in 2015



2. PACIFIC GAMES SPORTS PROGRAM

B. Size of the Games – Number of Sports



(iv) Quotas/Qualification Standards

- In place for Olympic & Commonwealth Games but Pacific Games is an athlete development event; many sports have weak rankings systems in region
- Not recommending now, but may need to be considered in future for the sustainability of Games
- Manage sustainability by reduction to 24 sports
- Quota offered by FIBA Oceania Basketball:
8 Men's & 8 Women's teams for Tonga 2019;
teams to qualify at 3 sub-regional tournaments
 - Recommended as a trial



2. PACIFIC GAMES SPORTS PROGRAM

B. Size of the Games – Number of Sports



(v) Events Based Sport Program

- IOC vision 2020 ; CGF Transformation 2022
- Allows more sports to be offered by reductions to event programs within existing program sports
- Emulate where possible but guard against imposing additional venue needs in Pacific Games
- That the Council retains its commitment to selecting sports rather than events as the basis for competition, but that the Council continues to promote flexible approaches within each sport's event schedule – e.g. Kayak into Va'a program



2. PACIFIC GAMES SPORTS PROGRAM

B. Size of the Games – Number of Sports

(vi) Games Programming recommendations



- 1. That the Council, via MOU agreements with each Oceania Federation, impose disciplines on each sport's technical requirements, scheduling, equipment needs and officials.
- 2. That the vast majority of sports be required to conclude within 5-6 days so as to enable athlete departures on Saturday evening of week one and reaffirm no Sunday play.
- 3. That the General Assembly empowers future GOC's to provide a bed limit of 65% of a 'large' PGA's total delegation.



2. PACIFIC GAMES SPORTS PROGRAM

C. Compulsory Sports



- (i) Analysis by Number
- Best practice - maximise the compulsory list for more consistency between Games, stronger brand
- Port Moresby GOC recommendation was for 16 out of 20 (80%) to be compulsory



- Amend Article 23.6 to adjudge the compulsory program not only by PGA entries but also by:

“those sports capable of offering superior resource support to Games hosts, and/or those sports offering qualification pathways to international events especially Olympic sports; and/or a particular sport’s anti-doping compliance”.

2. PACIFIC GAMES SPORTS PROGRAM

C. Compulsory Sports



- *(ii) Analysis of Current 14 Compulsory Sports*
 - *Athletics, Basketball, Boxing, Football, Golf Judo, Rugby 7s, Swimming, Table Tennis, Taekwondo, Tennis, Volleyball – Beach/Indoor Va'a, Weightlifting*
- Most compulsory sports performing very well; justifying their status based on PGA entries
- Also accord with the “most effective TV impact”
- That all 14 compulsory sports retain their position in Article 23.1, with Boxing (governance) and Va'a (PGA entries) to be closely monitored.



2. PACIFIC GAMES SPORTS PROGRAM

C. Compulsory Sports



- *(iii) Candidates for Promotion*
- Football – Women: all compulsory sports would thus be compulsory for men and women
- Bodybuilding, Netball, Powerlifting, Shooting on watch list for review in the next cycle
- Sailing and Triathlon recommended for promotion
 - Olympic sports with good entries in 2011, 2015
 - Amend Sailing Regulation 5.13 to allow host to offer a minimum one instead of two disciplines
- Enables two-thirds of program to be compulsory (up from 53% now)
- Offers host PGAs a choice of 8 sports; one-third



2. PACIFIC GAMES SPORTS PROGRAM

D. Review of Sports with Low Event Entries



- Not recommended to delete events with low entries
 - Some Female events
 - Some Lighter weight categories
 - Some Longer Distance Events; Field Events
- Athletics, Bodybuilding, Boxing, Powerlifting, Shooting, Swimming, Taekwondo, Va'a, Weightlifting
- The Council to address these issues individually with Oceania Federations.



2. PACIFIC GAMES SPORTS PROGRAM

E. Summary of Recommendations



Amend Article 23.1, 23.2 and 23.6 of the Constitution and yield the following outcomes for the 2023 Pacific Games bid process and sports program:

- Maximum 24 Sports program for Pacific Games; double the maximum 12 Sports permitted in the Pacific Mini Games program
- Address sustainability, venue costs and delivery risks by working towards a Pacific Games of no more than 4,000 participants - to be achieved by reducing the maximum number of sports to 24 as a priority before imposing quotas or qualification standards



2. PACIFIC GAMES SPORTS PROGRAM

E. Summary of Recommendations



- Trial a quota of 8 Men's and 8 Women's Basketball teams at the Tonga 2019 Games as recommended by FIBA Oceania
- Emulate the Events Based Program of the IOC Vision 2020 where sustainable to do so
- Review with Oceania Federations events where lighter weight category and/or female entries are low, plus Athletics and Swimming programs with low entries in some distance and/or field events



2. PACIFIC GAMES SPORTS PROGRAM

E. Summary of Recommendations



- Retention of the current 14 Compulsory Sports:
 - Athletics, Basketball, Boxing, Football, Golf Judo, Rugby 7s, Swimming, Table Tennis Taekwondo, Tennis, Volleyball: Beach/Indoor Va'a, Weightlifting



- Gender equity achieved in all Compulsory sports by promoting Women's Football
- Performance of Boxing and Va'a to be carefully monitored over the next Games cycle with an MOU in Boxing to be high priority

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2. PACIFIC GAMES SPORTS PROGRAM

E. Summary of Recommendations



- Seek to further build the majority of sports as compulsory (currently at 53%) for long term program consistency and marketability of the Games, rather than abandoning the concept of compulsory sports or reducing their number
- Promote two Olympic Sports, Sailing and Triathlon, to compulsory list with Regulation 5.13 amended to allow a host PGA to offer a minimum of one rather than two Sailing disciplines
- 16 out of 24 sports, or two-thirds (66%) of the program, to be Compulsory sports moving further towards emulating international best practice of the IOC and CGF

2. PACIFIC GAMES SPORTS PROGRAM

E. Summary of Recommendations



- Maximum 8 Optional Sports to be selected by PGAs bidding for 2023 Pacific Games, providing sufficient optional sports to cater for the specific requirements of host PGAs
- Bodybuilding, Netball, Powerlifting & Shooting to be reviewed for promotion next time
- By amendment to Article 23.6, future reviews of the compulsory sports program to consider, in addition to PGA entries, International Federation resourcing and qualification pathways, especially Olympic sports, and a sport's anti-doping compliance
- GOCs to provide 65% of beds for the 'large' PGAs



3. AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND PARTICIPATION

A. Introduction



- ONOC-PGC 2014 MOU Agreement

➤ *“Support the gradual inclusion of Australian and New Zealand athletes, starting with a ‘limited trial’ of invitations to their respective NOCs to attend the 2015 Pacific Games in a small number of Olympic sports on terms and conditions as agreed by the PGC membership.*



➤ *“Review the outcomes of the ‘limited trial’ during the PGC’s quadrennial Sport Program Review in 2016, with the prospect of extending the trial to future Pacific Games and Pacific Mini Games already under Host Contract”.*

3. AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND PARTICIPATION

B. Review of Port Moresby 2015 Trial



- Successful
- Added to the quality of competitions in each sport
- Boosted media coverage and broadcast reach
- Pathway event for aspiring Rio 2016 athletes
- Generous support from ONOC and endorsement from IOC President
- Importance of invitation being issued to the NOC and for inclusion in the Pacific Games event rather than a separate Oceania championship



3. AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND PARTICIPATION

C. Basis for Future Invitations



- For 2019 Games cycle, focus on “extending the trial” as per MOU rather than membership
- Facilitate the further gradual inclusion by targeting approximately eight sports for 2019 cycle – same number as original 2013 Joint Committee proposal
- Invitations in 2016 to allow adequate preparation
- Principles for Sports under consideration:
 - Olympic sports
 - Competitive gap not too large; aid development
 - Sports where Olympic Games/World Champ’s qualification event can be organised and a duplicate Oceania event avoided



3. AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND PARTICIPATION

D. Proposed Invitations: 2017 & 2019



- Same terms and conditions as 2015 invitation:
 - *All relevant provisions of PGC Charter apply*
 - *GOC not unduly financially burdened*



- Continue with each of the sports trialled in 2015
- Due to short lead time, no new sport invitations for Vanuatu 2017 – just Rugby 7s, Weightlifting only

3. AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND PARTICIPATION

D. Proposed Invitations: 2017 & 2019



- Tonga 2019 – 8 sports
- Athletics – Cap of 25 Athletes and Officials each; will target certain events and/or ages with OAA
- Beach Volleyball
- Football – NZL only (member of OFC)
- Judo
- Rugby 7s
- Sailing* (Agenda Item #8)
- Taekwondo
- Weightlifting
- Reserves: Triathlon, Para-Sport Table Tennis



3. AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND PARTICIPATION

E. Guidance for 2023 Pacific Games Bids



- Invitation to Bid advised PGAs that Australian and New Zealand participation may be possible in a limited number of sports
- Forms part of the Host Country's expectations in staging the Games
- Port Moresby 2015 accommodated the invitations after signing their Host City Contract



3. AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND PARTICIPATION

F. Summary of Recommendations



- The trial inclusion of Australia and New Zealand in the 2015 Pacific Games be considered a success from the perspective of raising the standard of competition and the development of Pacific athletes.
- Future invitations continue to be issued directly to the respective Australian and New Zealand NOCs under the same terms and conditions as Port Moresby – all relevant provisions of PGC Charter apply to the invited athletes.
- Future invitations are issued for the Pacific Games event itself rather than in a concurrent event



3. AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND PARTICIPATION

F. Summary of Recommendations



- Rather than consider Council membership, extend the trial as foreshadowed in the ONOC-PGC MOU, to facilitate the further gradual inclusion of Australia and New Zealand by targeting approximately eight Olympic sports for the 2019 cycle, with invitations issued in 2016 to allow for adequate preparation time



- Invitations be issued to Australia and New Zealand for the 2017 Pacific Mini Games in Rugby 7s and Weightlifting

3. AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND PARTICIPATION

F. Summary of Recommendations



- Invitations be issued to Australia and New Zealand for the 2019 Pacific Games in Athletics (20 athletes and 5 officials each), Beach Volleyball, Football (NZL only), Judo, Rugby 7s, Taekwondo and Weightlifting



- To achieve a balance in the competition and to maximise the benefits to PGA athletes, the Council will negotiate with the respective Oceania Federations to develop a priority target for the desired type of athletes to be invited from Australia/New Zealand – e.g. focus on particular events within the sport; or youth athletes; or regional athletes

3. AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND PARTICIPATION

F. Summary of Recommendations



- Triathlon be the 8th and final sport for invitations unless Sailing is added to the 2019 program, in which case Triathlon would join Table Tennis (Para Events) as a reserve



- Prospective bidding PGAs for the 2023 Pacific Games be advised that Australian and New Zealand participation may be possible in a limited number of sports.

4. FUTURE OF PACIFIC MINI GAMES

- No consensus for major change to a Youth Games or to dissolve into three sub-regional Games

- *Recommendations:*

- Retain Pacific Mini Games and not fully convert the event to a Pacific Youth Games

- That Article 24.5 of the Charter be amended :

“As far as possible the events and disciplines to be included in each of the sports chosen are to be the same as for the Pacific Games however the Executive Board shall have the right to vary the program of events following consultation with the Sports Committee and the IF, which may include designating some events, or a percentage of entries in some events, for youth age athletes”.



4. FUTURE OF PACIFIC MINI GAMES

- Sports Committee prefers organising Youth age competitions as better first step than mandating a mix of junior and senior athletes within a sport.



- **Recommendation:**
- *Subject to agreement by the Vanuatu PGA and facilitation by the respective Oceania Federations, endorse a trial at the 2017 Pacific Mini Games whereby **Golf, Table Tennis and Tennis** will be organised as Youth age competitions.*



- **Golf** – parties in agreement
- **Table Tennis** – Vanuatu PGA opposed; Oceania Table Tennis Federation open to concept at future Mini Games after 2017
- **Tennis** – Vanuatu PGA and Oceania Tennis Federation opposed; other junior events occur

5. Athlete Eligibility & Entries

Athlete Eligibility



- No consensus to discard residency criteria or adopt IF eligibility rules across the board
- Article 26.1d(iii) discretionary power to use IF eligibility working well and sparingly (6 sports)
- **Proposed amendment:** Reduce timeframe for exercising this power from two years before Games to 15 months before Games
 - Provides additional flexibility for IFs to organise qualification/rankings event

5. Athlete Eligibility & Entries

Athlete Eligibility Cont'd



- Retain 10 day “*protest*” window - Article 26.7
 - PGC lacks resources to allow protests on eligibility all the way through the Games

Athlete Entries



- Retain 45 days entry by name deadline: Article 26.4
 - Cannot reduce further given “*protest*” rights in Article 26.7 and requirement to ascertain residency
 - Late entries to remain prohibited: Article 26.5

5. Athlete Eligibility & Entries

Athlete Entries Cont'd



- Protocol 7 Penalty Fees for Withdrawals by Sport
 - Abolish Penalty Fees regime - it has not worked
 - Implement up-front deposits to secure entries
 - Forfeited if sport withdraws or deduct from per diem if the sport actually participates



- **Proposed Amendments to Protocols 7.7 - 7.10**
- **Pre-DRM – proposed Amendment to Protocol 7.11:**

“A pre-DRM in person, or through the use of technology, shall occur within five days after the further confirmation of entries 30 days before the Games “

6. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

- Capacity in host countries and across the Pacific remains a weakness in most sports
- Port Moresby GOC paid all I.T.O. travel costs
 - Unsustainable for future hosts
- The Council to develop rigorous MOUs with each Oceania Federation to reduce a GOC's exposure to ITO travel costs

Recommended Amendment

- Protocol 16.1.c.4.d address the division of ITO airfare costs: *"Airfare costs will be divided between the OC and the International Federations as agreed with the Council"*
- That a "technical officials committee" be created with input from ONOC and OSFO; improve technical officials' development



7. INDIVIDUAL SPORT CONSIDERATIONS

Oceania Federation Submissions



- Conservative approach to expanding events
- Maintain sustainability and affordability
- Only recommending the most meritorious proposals - gender equity, social inclusion - but requiring strong evidence of sufficient entries



- Rejected proposals to expand events in:
 - Bodybuilding – more Women's events
 - Rugby League 9s – Women's event
 - Surfing – Stand-Up Paddling
 - Swimming – Para events

7. INDIVIDUAL SPORT CONSIDERATIONS

- Recommending the following new events:



- Basketball

- Add 3x3 format as an option

Regulation 7: four players per team and
Regulation 9B: one official per team

- That a future Games Organising Committee only be permitted to offer both formats if a quota operates in the 5-a-side format to control overall athlete numbers.



- Shooting

- Add Teams event to all ISSF events in Regulation 5.14 and remove cap of maximum 9 athletes in Regulation 6.14, so as to be consistent with DTL/CPSA events

7. INDIVIDUAL SPORT CONSIDERATIONS

- Other recommendations:



- Para Sport (Athletics & Table Tennis)

- Amend Regulations 5.2 (Athletics) and 5.19 (Table Tennis) to require athletes to be “internationally classified”
- “Results in competitions comprising athletes with different classifications to have an agreed table for results calculation”



- Table Tennis

- Regulation 6.19 amended to add one extra male and female entry for Para events
- Offset by reduction in able-bodied entries from 5 men/5 women to 4 men/4 women

7. INDIVIDUAL SPORT CONSIDERATIONS

- Other recommendations:



- Sailing

Sports Committee to coordinate with ISAF/OSAF to modernize the events list and better align with international classes

- Touch

No change to Regulation 7 for composition of Mixed teams, but ensure rest day before mixed competition commences



- Va'a

Regulation 6.23 to be amended
Maximum 14 male and 14 female athletes

8. ADJUSTMENTS TO TONGA 2019 PROGRAM

Reviewed all sports with less than 6 PGA entries in 2011 & 2015, including Hockey and Men's Cricket

Recommendations:

- 1. That Tonga be relieved from its obligations to organise Baseball and Softball competitions:
 - Complete failure of Softball in Port Moresby
 - Likelihood Baseball will not get 6 PGA entries
- 2. That Tonga be encouraged to add the compulsory Women's Boxing and Rugby 7s disciplines to its program.
- 3. That if Women's Boxing and Rugby 7s are included, Shooting and Sailing (in that order) be approved for addition to 2019 program as requested by GOC and host PGA.



OTHER CHARTER REFORM PROPOSALS

- New Bid Protocol 1.7 for Ratification
- Compliance bond to ensure Host Contract respected and valuable time not lost after bid
- Set at \$100,000 for 2023 Games bidders

“The PGA of each candidate country shall when furnishing the Bid document pay a bond, in the amount to be determined by the Executive Board, to be released back immediately to an unsuccessful candidate country and to be released back to the successful candidate country at the end of the Games upon the achievement of all milestones outlined in the contract including the formation of the Organising Committee and Audit and Governance Authority.”



OTHER CHARTER REFORM PROPOSALS

Amendment: Protocol 9.1 & 9.3, Regulation 12.1
Pacific Games Village
Port Moresby GOC Proposal for Ratification



- should open 4 days (instead of 3 days) before the Opening Ceremony to allow more time for Delegation Registration Meetings with PGAs;

- should open for a “maximum” 25 days - instead of ‘at least’ 25 days;



- per diem should not be discounted 50% for those residing outside the Village as all participants should be encouraged to stay there;
- there must be a minimum 3 meals per day, each with a minimum 3 hour session.

OTHER CHARTER REFORM PROPOSALS

Amendment: Protocols 22.9 & 24.11 Pacific Games Relay



Port Moresby GOC Proposal for Ratification

- the deletion of references to “torch” and “cauldron” from the Opening Ceremony Protocol 22.9 and references to “extinguishing the flame” from Closing Ceremony Protocol 24.11.



- These changes are in line with amendments made in 2010 to change perceptions of the Games Relay away from an Olympic-style “torch” towards more Pacific-style solutions.

EXECUTIVE BOARD ELECTIONS 2016-2020

Article 15 Constitution; Nominations called 14 January and received by 12 February:



President: Vidhya Lakhan (Fiji)

VP-Sport: Robert Graham (Cook Islands)
Marcus Stephen (Nauru)
Emma Waiwai (Papua New Guinea)
Tauhiti Nena (Tahiti Nui)



VP-Marketing: Laurent Cassier (New Caledonia)
Charles Tauziet (Tahiti Nui)

VP-Audit & Finance: Frida Delmau (Palau)
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