

Fencing Victoria Inc

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Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 27th May 2105

State Fencing Centre,
204 Arden Street, North Melbourne

Minutes

Minutes Secretary : Caroline Fittall

President Geoff Webber **opens** meeting at 7.30pm

1. Attendance:

Victoria Fitzgerald (Blk), Grant Foster (Blk), Geoff Webber (Blk), Carol Bond (DR), Helen Smith (DR), Damon Fowler (FFC), Maxwell Dicks (LAT), Trevor Plant (LAT), Alec Bolwell (MFC), Michelle Bolwell (MFC), Jack deMarie Smith (MFC), Joshua Harmer-Ross (MFC), Emily Simon (MFC), Monika Simon (MFC), Nigel Bacon (PFA), Frank Barret (PFA), Jan Hannah (SP), David Hubbard (SW), Brian Morison (SW), Adam Reynolds (SW), Evelyn Halls (VFA), Pieter Leeuwenburgh (VFA), Sam Auty (VRI), Andrew Moffat (VRI), Jenny Shaw (WHC), Andrew Cobb (FFC), Caroline Fittall (FFC), David Jewell (FFC), Kayt Spano (VRI), Natalie Bennett (TFC), Peter Dinsdale (not affiliated), PB.. ...unclear (TFC).....32signatures

Key :

Blacklords Fencing Club = (Blk)

Fioretto Fencing Club = (FFC)

Dragons Fencing Club = (DR)

Geelong Fencing Club = (GFC)

La Trobe Uni Fencing Club = (LAT)

Melbourne Fencing Club = (MFC)

Monash University Fencing Club = (MON)

Olympia Fencing Centre = (OFC)

Peninsula Fencing Academy = (PFA)

Spatha = (SP)

Sword Fighters = (SW)

Victorian Fencing Academy = (VFA)

VRI Fencing Club = (VRI)

Whitehorse Chevaliers = (WHC)

Touche Fencing Club (TFC)

Observers:

Maybe 6 pax

Proxies:

Kayt Spano

Absent :

No representatives from: Geelong FC, Monash Uni FC, Melbourne Uni FC, Olympia FC

2. Apologies:

Robyn Hunter (DR), Simon Hannah (SP), Peter Osvath (VFA), Derek Flood (LAT)

3. 2014 Minutes of AGM 28th May 2014

Printed handout; also available on website.

Acceptance Prop: Carol Bond, 2nd : Kayt Spano, carried, no objections

4. President's report from Geoff Webber

Printed handout

Summary

- \$194 000 donation to FV was from Simon Auty
- Financial records subsequent to FY2010 were missing, incomplete or inaccurate
- Transactions in FV accounts were investigated
- Accountants LSA Partners were appointed
- W.A. Nutton & Associates have independently reviewed the accounts as auditors
- Membership ending 2014 was 747 affiliated members. As of 26th May 2015, there are 654 members
- Touche Fencing Club is new to FV
- A sabre focused club is possible in future
- Level 1 Coaching course currently has 9 trainees
- Competitions are busy under Sam Auty's management
- New FV constitution based on model rules is forthcoming

prop: Helen Smith, 2nd: Evelyn Halls, carried, no objections

5. Finance Director's Report from Geoff Webber

Printed handout

Summary

- Accounts have been reconstructed from fragmented and incomplete records. Taking some 300 man hours
- members are urged use their skills and energy in volunteering rather than stone throwing
- all bank accounts not reconciled prior to 31st Dec 2013 are now complete
- FV is current with BAS reporting
- New FV committee will withdraw and resubmit 2012 and 2013 financial statements to C.A.V
- Financial statements created by LSA Partners and audited by W.A. Nutton & Associates.

Discussion:

1. Report displays 2014 as compared to 2013 but 2013 is not accurate.
2. Appointed accountants and auditors are independent of FV.
3. Some account headings in report do not adequately represent content.

Motion:

"That the financial statements for the year ended 31 Dec 2014 be accepted, subject to "the issues" with the reported figures for the financial year ended 31 Dec 2013 (included for comparison purposes), which are identified in the President's report tabled and approved at the meeting. "

prop: Maxwell Dicks, 2nd: Pieter Leeuwenburgh, one abstain, carried

6. Election of new Executive and Office Bearers

Geoff Webber hands meeting over to Grant Foster

Outgoing executive :

Simon Auty (deceased), Geoff Webber, Sam Auty, Grant Foster, Robyn Hunter, and Kayt Spano.

Election of new officers in keeping with current constitution.

- Nomination from Andrew Cobb received
- No Nominations received from outgoing executive.

Position : President

Nomination from floor

Geoff Webber prop: Helen Smith, 2nd: Jan Hannah, carried

Position : Directors

Nominations from floor

Kath Harmer – not valid

Kayt Spano	prop: Jenny Shaw,	2 nd : Helen Smith
Robyn Hunter	prop: Geoff Webber,	2 nd :: Caroline Fittall
Carol Bond	prop: Helen Smith,	2 nd : Geoff Webber
Andrew Cobb	received prior to meeting	

Four Directors elected, carried

7. General Business

Geoff Webber returns as President elect

Position : State armourers

Peter Osvath and Derek Flood. Nominations prop: Geoff Webber

Selection commission

Discussion: not needed; it is operationally redundant.

Positions within new Executive

To be decided at next meeting of Executive

Urgent business

None

Position : Competitions Manager

Sam Auty has stepped down. Position is vacant. Available now. No interest displayed by members.

President closed meeting at 9.11pm