

Minutes

AGM 2018 Fencing Victoria

Fencing Victoria Inc.
2018 Annual General Meeting (AGM)
Minutes: 22 May 2019
Venue: Arden St, State Fencing Centre
Level 1, 204 Arden St
North Melbourne Vic 3051



Minutes Secretary: Simon Hamm
President: Kayt Spano

Item #	Minutes	Status
1. Meeting opened	The President opened the meeting at 7:00pm.	
2. Attendance	Kayt Spano (VRI), Norbert Riedl (SFA), Carol Bond (DRG), Emily Marotta (CXS), Simon Hamm (VRI), Julie Burbidge (MFC), Helen Smith (DRG), Jenny Shaw (WHC), Deborah Gough (VFA), Monica Simon (MFC), Michelle Bolwell (MFC), Geoff Webber (BFC), Lydia Mentor (CXS), Matt Faria (SFA), Tim Davis (WHC), Tim Leung(LUni), Graeme Orrman (VFA), Kesara Gunaratne (CXS)	
<i>Present:</i>		
<i>Clubs</i>	Blacklords Fencing Club (BLK), Cross Swords (CXS), Dragons Fencing Club (DRG), La Trobe Uni Fencing Club (LUni), Melbourne Fencing Club (MFC), Sword Fighters Australia (SFA), Victorian Fencing Academy (VFA), VRI Fencing Club, and Whitehorse Chevaliers (WHC)	
<i>Proxies</i>	<p>Kayt Spano (VRI) proxy for: Gabi Huber (BLK), Taneka Huber(BLK), Jasper MacCuspie, Ava MacCuspie (BLK), . Jin Liu Vicky, (VRI),Ovidiu Palosanu (VRI), Joanna Kapsalos (VRI), Andrew Moffat (VRI), Mhairi Nicolson-Biggs (VRI), Gabriel Spano (VRI), Rebecca Stewart (VRI), Dianna Gu (MelbUni), Simon Summerfield (MelbUni), Caroline Fittall (WHC), Sarah Hardwick (GFC), Amelia Murrell (GFC), Farhad Tehranipour (FV), Aron Snider (DFRG),</p> <p>David Hubbard (SFA) proxy for: Alexander Karnowski (SFA), Mark Goite (SFA), Shane Dare (SFA), Nick Xiang Li (SFA), Paul Bongiovanni (SFA), Ben Morgana (SFA), David Pilkington (SFA), Chris Jones (SFA).</p> <p>Jenny Shaw (WHC) proxy for: Lisa Lagergren (WHC), David Cook (WHC),</p> <p>Graeme Orman (VFA) proxy for Pieter Leeuwenburgh (VFA), Caroline Buchanan (VFA), Trevor Plant (VFA), Sidhra Fernando-Plant (VFA), Laura Goodin (VFA).</p>	
<i>Apologies</i>	None given	
<i>Absent</i>	Fioretto Fencing Club (FFC), Geelong Fencing Club (GFC), Monash University Fencing Club (MUni), Olympia Fencing Club (OFC), Peninsula Fencing Academy (PFA), Phoenix Fencing Academy (PFA), Spatha (SP), Touché Fencing Club	

3. Conflicts of interest	None declared.	Accepted (No objections)															
4. Minutes 2017 AGM	<p>The minutes of the previous AGM (2017) were tabled for acceptance. The President made note of the fact that the minutes from last year was missing an item regarding the annual membership fees. This error was due to a problem with the electronic version of the minutes and a loss of this item during transcription. However, it was agreed by those members at this meeting that the minutes would be accepted as a fair and reasonable account of the proceedings of the last AGM.</p> <p>Motion: to accept the Minutes of the 2017 AGM: <i>Proposed: Helen Smith Seconded: Geoff Webber</i></p>	Accepted (No objections)															
5. Financial Report	<p>The Board of Fencing Victoria signed (President & Treasurer) and accepted the Financial Report on 15 May 2019. The Treasurer, Carol Bond tabled financial report at the AGM. The \$64,690 profit in 2018 was an increase of \$15,761.00 since the last financial result of \$48,929.00 in 2017. The Treasurer noted that this was an excellent result given that there was a considerable financial outlay of capital works and equipment purchases for the fencing centre. These improvements were necessary given the wear and aging of some of the equipment and outdated technology used across the centre: cameras, TV monitors, software, wiring and installation costs, security upgrades. The Treasurer noted that the financial statements were prepared on the basis that Fencing Victoria is a non-reporting entity; it is a special purpose financial statement which meets the requirements of the <i>Corporations Act 2001</i> (the Act); is in accordance with the relevant standards of the Australian Accounting Standards; and is prepared on an accrual basis.</p> <p>The special purpose statement was independently reviewed by W.A. Nutton & Associates.</p> <p>Motion: to accept the Financial Report tabled by the Treasurer <i>Proposed: Geoff Webber Seconded: Norbert Riedl</i></p>	Accepted (No objections)															
6. Confirm or vary the Amounts (if any) of the annual subscription and joining fee	<p>The membership fees of the association are to be decided at the annual general meeting.</p> <p>The Board of Directors proposed the following changes from the previous year remain the same as listed below:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="438 1758 1093 1980"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="3"><u>FV Affiliation Fees</u></th> </tr> <tr> <th><u>Members</u></th> <th>2017</th> <th>2018</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Base School/Club</td> <td>\$30.00</td> <td>\$30.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Junior Upgrade</td> <td>\$55.00</td> <td>\$55.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total Junior</td> <td>\$85.00</td> <td>\$85.00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	<u>FV Affiliation Fees</u>			<u>Members</u>	2017	2018	Base School/Club	\$30.00	\$30.00	Junior Upgrade	\$55.00	\$55.00	Total Junior	\$85.00	\$85.00	Accepted (No objections)
<u>FV Affiliation Fees</u>																	
<u>Members</u>	2017	2018															
Base School/Club	\$30.00	\$30.00															
Junior Upgrade	\$55.00	\$55.00															
Total Junior	\$85.00	\$85.00															

Senior Upgrade	\$125.00	\$125.00
Total Senior	\$155.00	\$155.00
Coach Upgrade	\$60.00	\$60.00
Total Coach	\$90.00	\$90.00
Clubs	2017	2018
Star 0 (new club in 2018)	\$450.00	\$450.00
Star 0 (affiliated before 2018)	\$450.00	\$500.00
Star 1	\$205.00	\$205.00
Star 2/3	\$-	\$-
Schools (L0 or NO Coach)	\$450.00	\$450.00
Schools (L1/L2/L3 Coach)	\$100.00	\$100.00

Proposed: Carol Bond Seconded: Helen Smith

7. President's Annual Report

The Annual Presidents Report on the Activities of the Association was presented by the President, Kayt Spano.

The President thanked Geoff Webber as the outgoing President for his work on the board and the support he has given to the new President especially during the transition period and his continued support of the board and Fencing Victoria in general.

Other items discussed in the President's report are listed below

1. Overview of the changes to the board over the last 12 months
2. Change in role for Robyn Hunter (newly created Operations/Squad Manager) to ensure greater access and communication improvements for fencers especially for piste hire and other operational matters
3. Fencing Victoria has met all its compliance requirements with Sports & Rec Victoria
4. Governance Matters – all board members have completed an introductory governance course; ongoing MPIO training for those members involved in member protection issues, especially at a club level
5. In the last quarter of 2018, an SGM was held to discuss fees for using the centre and for the first time since moving to North Melbourne, the piste hire fees were increased slightly to cover the increasing costs of running the centre
6. The President noted the improved relationship between those entities sharing the building including the City of

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided other input, specific to veteran fencers, for inclusion in other state funding submissions <p>Motion: to accept the Vice President’s report: <i>Proposed: Jenny Shaw</i> <i>Seconded: Tim Leung</i></p>	
<p>9.Sport Development Manager’s Report (PL)</p>	<p>The State Development Officer’s report by Pieter Leeuwenburgh was presented by Kayt Spano.</p> <p>Highlights of the report included:</p> <p>FV Community Benefits</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2 x Club referee courses held (38 participants) 2. Level 1 coaching course held (6 participants) <p>Participation (Metro & Regional)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 3309 students introduced to fencing (1633 males, 1676 females) 2. Over 362 fencing classes held in Victoria schools <p>Centre Based Participation (schools)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 20 sessions (78 participants) Simmonds College 2. Girls’ Sports Victoria – 5 week session introduction to fencing <p>The Schools League has reached maximum numbers (the Fencing Centre has an over-capacity level) – it was suggested that a larger venue be used if these numbers continue to grow. The following coaches assist PL – Chris Jones, Lisa LARGERGREN, Aleksey Danilov and Tim Luong. Matt Foster, Tim Leung, Imogen Fitzgerald and Ned Fitzgerald have a level 1 coaching qualification.</p> <p>Motion: to accept State Development Officer’s report: <i>Proposed: Geoff Webber</i> <i>Seconded: Kayt Spano</i></p>	
<p>10.Election of vacant Board of Director positions for 2019</p>	<p>Fencing Victoria’s constitution that those members of the Board of Directors who have served a two-year period must retire. However, they are eligible for re-election at this annual general meeting if they have not served 9 or more consecutive years. Simon Hamm is stepping down after two years as Secretary and Emily Marotta position is vacant – however she is re-nominating – therefore there are four positions available on the board. Norbert Riedl had been appointed as a director, for the period of one year and was nominating for election in order to continue with the board</p> <p>Based on retirements and vacancies four positions were on offer to the FV board. Nominations were presented by Julie Burbidge, Norbert Riedl, Deborah Gough & Kesara Gunaratne</p>	

	<p>After a vote: Emily and Norbert were successful in their bid to remain on the board and Julie, Deborah & Kesara were successful in their bid to join the board as new Directors.</p> <p>The President and those present congratulated the returning board member and the three new directors.</p> <p>The President thanked Simon Hamm for his work as the Secretary of the Association, particularly in liaison with the Department of Sport & Rec and keeping of the records of the Association.</p> <p>Simon thanked his fellow board directors and praised their hard work on behalf of the Victorian fencing community and wished the Association well for its future efforts in expanding fencing participation in Victoria.</p>	
11.Meeting closed	The President closed the 2018 AGM at 8:55pm.	Closed