

Magpies Sporting Club Ltd

Minutes of the Thirty-ninth Annual General Meeting held on Monday 25 November 2019
At Sky's Function Venue Glenella Road Glenella

Meeting Opened: 7:10 pm by the Chairman, Raymond Golding

Present: As per attendance book

Apologies: John Talbot, Ross Wallace, Robb Sinn

Welcome: Raymond Golding Chairman welcomed all attending.

Silence: Raymond Golding asked all to stand for a minutes silence for all members who have passed on during the year

Minutes of Previous AGM:

The Chairman asked if someone would move the minutes of the Thirty-eighth Annual General Meeting

Ian Quinn said that no one has had sufficient time to read the minutes. Time set aside for all members in attendance to read the minutes.

Business Arising:

Nicola Hay from Magpies Netball – History of Sporting Club

In last year's minutes John Talbot requested the history of the Sporting Club in writing – is there any display available now?

Ray Golding responded this was in progress.

Ian Quinn - 2018 AGM

- Apologised to Jason Egan for his comments last year regarding the number of meetings missed. At the time he did not realized that it was based on Paul O'Brien's Roster
- Paul O'Brien should be legally dismissed after last year's AGM.
- Lee's letter to the public states the meeting was unconstitutional and that the appropriate bodies should be notified. Paul responded that OLGR and Clubs QLD had been notified.
- Sandi Egan's suggestion that a special meeting be called in January to give everyone the opportunity to vote should have been adopted.
- There has been no apology nor explanation for the actions at the 2018 AGM
- We do not embrace our membership. Emails are not sent to members to keep them informed.

Ian Quinn – 2018 AGM continued

- The opening of the Sologinkin Amenities – only 30 people attended, the Mayor attended and no members were invited
- Apologies should have been made at the start of the meeting for the actions taken at the 2018 AGM.
- Paul O'Brien apologized to the members and accepted that he got it wrong
Ian stated that anyone has the right to challenge as Chairman and the vote was personal.
- The minutes state that "Lee advised the Club needs \$850,000 from Sponsorships, Gate Takings and Player payments" This amount was never stated at the meeting.
- Big decisions are being made by the board and not communicated to members
Paul responded that there had been the opportunity to ask questions for the last 12 months.
Ian stated this is not how it works
 - Some people receive messages, some have not, there is inconsistency
 - The financial results are not that good
 - Members are not being kept informed

Teresa Dreghorn – Financial Statement Availability

- Last year it was requested that the financial statements be made available earlier. It would be good to have the time to review prior to the AGM
- Ray responded that there were issues in printing hence the delay
- Rodney Kunst – it should be ensured that this does not happen again. They could be emailed a week before hand and put on the website also
- Paul O'Brien – everyone needs to record their email addresses

Ian Quinn – Lee's letter

- Lee's letter was distributed to the public. Paul stated that it should only have been to the board. Ian stated that Lee's letter states "I write for the public record"

Ian Quinn – Membership

- Membership numbers quoted are incorrect
- Darren explained that the membership numbers quoted are at two different dates – one at end of financial year as part of the financial statements the other quoted at December 2018
- Paul commented that a portion of each of our memberships is donated – that is what differentiates us from the other clubs with lower membership fees.
- Ian stated this just needs to be explained – information needs to be sent out and provided

Martin Pollock – Questions

- Why don't Magpies put information on the website?
- Why are emails not being sent?
- Who is going to own it?
- **Ian Quinn** – you should be thinking about the business and planning ahead. Money is made here and not in the grounds. We should not be running another club.

Ray Golding – seeking clarification

The request is for more information to be passed on to members on the AGM and all activities through the year – confirmed yes

Rodney Kunst – we are discussing the minutes and valid points have been made. Let's pass the minutes and move on. Paul O'Brien has apologized and the \$850,000 as stated is not correct.

Sandi Egan – the meeting should be recorded so that this does not happen again. Sandi stated the members could be asked for acceptance of this procedure. Sandi asked if anything was in the constitution in this regard – Ray Golding advised no. Ray Golding responded that he would need to seek legal advice and will contact Dan Nipperess from Clubs QLD.

Ian Quinn – can we aim to have the AGM minutes a week earlier

Alan Harris – the minutes can be changed to rectify the errors.

- Page 12 on announced Ballot result should read : For Paul “O'Brien and not Chairman
- \$850,000 was not mentioned

Ken responded that the \$850,000 was mentioned and believes it was in the context of a drop in income

Moved that the minutes of the previous AGM as read, be accepted with the following changes

- 1. Reference to Chairman on Ballot result to be changed to Paul O'Brien*
- 2. Strike out \$850,000*

Pita Beraciri/Damian Smith - All in favour–Carried

Correspondence: None

Chairman's Report: Tabled as per the Annual Report and spoken to by Raymond Golding

Comments from the floor:

Ian Quinn

We have had a master plan since the club started. He would like the master plan explained to members.

Kate Meredith (Social Member)

Was not given a booklet as she was not a voting member. The last paragraph of the Chairman's report thanks members for loyalty and support but the members do not see this.

Ray advised only bronze members can vote

Kate responded that members are given a copy at other clubs even though they are not allowed to vote. You thank the members but they don't see that.

Barry Fahey – AGM report should be on the website

Darren responded that it is on the website and will ensure that it is available next year.

Moved that the Chairman's Report be accepted as tabled

Rodney Kunst/Pita Beraciri - All in favour – Carried

General Manager's Report: Tabled as per the Annual Report and spoken to by Darren Smith

Comments from the floor:

Damian Smith – Paul Kocour deserves credit for the good work they do. How many games are played on field 2?

Darren Smith responded in excess of 150 games

Damian wanted to highlight this

*Moved that the General Manager's report be accepted as tabled
Ian Quinn/Nicola Hay - All in favour – Carried*

Financial Statements: Christiane Christoffel presented the report and the audited statements for the period as outlined in the Annual Report.

*Moved that the Financial Report be accepted as tabled
Charles Ogilvie/Barry Fahey - All in favour – Carried*

Comments from the floor:

Ian Quinn – questioned increase in tax. Christiane explained that \$3.6M was paid in Gaming Tax which is charged purely on Gaming revenue. This was against \$3.5M in the previous financial year hence the increase of \$100,000

Ian Quinn – questioned the increase in wages. Christiane explained that each week we generally pay 100 staff. The wages include Magpies Crusaders, the 3.3% wage increase and also additional administration wages for additional staff engage to manage the increased work load

Ashley Hughes – stated that Magpies Football Club was not listed in Note 18 Related Parties in the Financial Statements. Christiane apologized for the omission – it is an error that was not picked up.

Teresa Dreghorn – The amount of \$3.8M noted under community as Affiliated Sporting Clubs – was this amount purely for affiliates. Christiane responded yes, it includes Sologinkin Amenities at a cost of \$2.4M with the remaining \$1.4M in cash contributions and contributions in kind.

Election of Office Bearers:

The Chairman advised that there were two full three year term positions and two 1 year term positions available and six nominations have been received.

Nominees are:

- Steven Graham Payne
- Kenneth William Shuttlewood
- Jason Kelvyn Egan
- Ngaire Carol Hodge
- Ian Donald Quinn
- Mark Wayne Kaesler

Result of Election:

2 x 3 year terms – Steven Graham Payne and Kenneth William Shuttlewood

2 x 1 year terms – Jason Egan and Ian Quinn

Appointment of Auditors

*Moved that Brown & Bird be reappointed as auditors for the 2020 financial year.
Raymond Golding/Charles Ogilvie – All in favour – Carried*

Election of Life Members – Raymond Golding

No nominations to put forward

General Business

No notice of general business has been received.

Raymond Golding (Chairman) called the floor open for questions & suggestions

Discussion from the floor

Rodney Kunst

His nephew asked why Magpies membership was dearer than other clubs.

Rodney let him know that donations were contributed by the club from the membership. His nephew commented “why don’t they tell you”

As an improvement – Members need to have more knowledge. There needs to be a system so members particularly new members have information and that it is more user friendly.

Raymond Golding commented that this was discussed with Darren last week and is in progress as we speak.

Kate Meredith

Rang to confirm details of the AGM and ask if anyone could attend and the receptionist did not know.

Pita Beraciri

Electronic signage roadside is working really well and is being put to good use providing information.

Ian Quinn - Election

Thank you very much on election to board. Please check my age, there may be a provision that at a certain age term is for one year requiring reelection on an annual basis.

Ian Quinn – Suggestions

- Electronic Scoreboard – have a notice board put on the back of it. It can be used to sell sponsorships.
 - Send emails to invite people into the club
 - Darren Smith responded – takes this on board. We do an excellent job on social media but we are not big on emails and will rectify
 - Raymond Golding – the need for more signage was discussed at the last board meeting and this is in progress
 - Members were not notified of the \$10,000 given to the Magpies SRL 100 year event function. We need to promote ourselves.
 - Raymond Golding – we have provided a new version AGM report to include all this information and agrees with Ian’s comments
 - 30 people attended Sologinkin Amenities opening whereas Magpies SRL 100 year functions saw significant numbers attending. It is hard to request funding/Grants if we can’t get the attendance for these events.
 - Magpie of the year – did not know that is was on. This event needs to be opened up to members. Paul stated there was limited room and the event had to be opened to Affiliates first. This is an operational matter. Ian disagreed stating it is a function.
 - Ian asked did the board have any involvement in Magpie of the year. Paul responded it is an operational job.
 - Ian believes Magpie of the year is not travelling well because members are not aware that it is on.
- Paul Obrien stated he has been a member for a long time and this is a great club with a lot of positives and many good things are happening. Everything being brought back tonight is negative.
- Rodney Kunst – the board does a great job. Kate Meredith has made some good points. All clubs need looking after and members made to feel welcome.
- Paul O’Brien – point taken

Peter Beraciri

Social media is huge including face book and all affiliates do a great job or promoting the club. If we build on that we will go forward. Everyone has a phone.

Sandi Egan – Loan Refinance

Was external advice requested on change from NAB to ANZ?

Ray advised this was considered internally. ANZ approached Magpies with a good proposal which NAB could not match.

Steve Payne

A term paper was presented by ANZ. NAB was approached to consider what they could do with their pricing. We went back to ANZ to review terms and covenants and they were extremely favorable. NAB were given every opportunity but they were not hungry enough.

Sandi asked if anyone else was approached

Steve responded we have a history with BOQ and CBA. It was a good offer and went through an extensive review process.

Ray commented that Westpac was the bank that folded on us.

Jamie Woods – Life Membership points system

Asked for an explanation of the points system criteria.

Ray said he did not have it available now but would provide this information

Jamie stated that if people are knocked back they should know why. The Board is the gate keeper – members do not decide if the Board do not first approve.

Ray – noted accordingly and will advise

Martin Pollock - Communication

This meeting has been about a lack of communication. What correspondence is provided to the members?

Darren Smith stated that there were no specific guidelines. We communicate well with 18-40's via social media targets but we can do better. Direct Mail-outs are not budgeted for but can be done however emails and social media are significantly cheaper.

Martin Pollock – surely there is a system with all members that at the press of a button x number of copies can be generated. Darren said we can review our processes over the next 12 months.

Jamie Woods – Minutes

Asked if minutes can be publicized.

Ray advised they can be read on premises but not taken away. Application to the board must be made to come in and read the minutes.

Rodney Kunst – should be quite comfortably broadcast. If you want to be on the front foot and open, just have an honest open discussion – there is nothing wrong with providing that information.

Cherie Abell

Asked where on form it asks how you would like to receive communication. Darren stated it is on the membership form.

Ian Quinn

Rental property – is an investment – is it with BOQ? Principal and Interest? Does FBT apply? Christiane advised it was no longer with BOQ. It has been consolidated with ANZ and is principal and interest. It is an investment property rented through an agent to an external party. As it is not rented to an employee there is no FBT.

What is the credit card used for?

Christiane responded it was often for online purchases for example for gaming promotions the Coles vouchers and Grocery Grab items. Also Flights and accommodation. Not used to pay local suppliers.

Directors Club Card – how does that work?

Ray responded that each Director is given a card with a limit. It is a promotional card. Ian said there is no information in the financial statements to say what it is and asked what the Chairman's Limit is? Ray answered it is nothing to do with you.

Rodney Kunst – surely the membership should know what the limit is. Don't say it has nothing to do with us. It is a great concept, keep them but do not say it has nothing to do with us.

Paul O'Brien – this information will be disclosed next year

Raymond Golding – apologized for losing his cool

Peter Beraciri

Thanked Carol very much for everything she has done for Magpies and all the sporting events that she has attended.

Nicola Hay also passed on her thanks.

Members and guests were invited to partake in light refreshments at the conclusion of the meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10:07 pm.