

AWF MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Directors / State Members
CC: Australian Sports Commission
From: Matthew Curtain
Re: Summary of Decisions, AWF Board Meeting – 19 July 2009

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Victorian Weightlifting Stadium, (34 Linda Crescent, Hawthorn VIC 3122)
Sunday, 19 July 2009 at 0930hrs

Attendance

Robert Kabbas (President), Boris Kayser, Mary Macken, Robert Mitchell, Danielle Waller, Lyn Jones, Phil Maunder & Matthew Curtain (Chief Executive Officer)

By Invitation

Michael Keelan (HPM) & Renee O'Callaghan (ASC)

Australian Sports Commission CEO Breakfast

In the absence of the CEO, President Robert Kabbas attended the ASC breakfast hosted by its new CEO, Matt Miller held on 12 June 2009.

Name Change, Weightlifting Australia

The CEO reported that correspondence had been sent to Consumer Affairs and ASIC outlining the non-compliance of 'Weightlifting Australia' and that the Australian Weightlifting Federation should be the rightful owner of the trading and business name.

Awaiting response from Consumer Affairs and ASIC.

Governor General, Patronage Request

The CEO reported that Her Excellency, Ms. Quentin Bryce had accepted the AWF's invitation to serve as Patron.

Correspondence

Iran Weightlifting Federation

The President reported that a formal response had been sent to the Iranian Embassy outlining the Federation's resolution with respect to future cooperation.

ASC 2009 / 2010 Funding Level Service Agreement

Contingent upon the following requirements, the CEO tabled correspondence from the ASC notionally approving the financial assistance of \$384,000 for the period 2009/10

- Quarterly Financial reports and Audit Committee minutes
- Preparation of 2010 – 2014 Strategic Plan by 30 June 2010
- CEO recruitment advertisement to be disseminated to the wider sporting community.

Membership request – Lad Singh (India)

The CEO reported that no response had been received by the Indian Weightlifting Federation.

D2010 EAD Powerlifting Funding Allocation

The Board noted the funding allocation received from the ACGA.

ASADA approval – Lyn Jones, D2010 Section Manager

Having received notification from ASADA, the Directors formally confirmed the appointment of Lyn Jones at the 2009 / 2010 National Team Manager (including 2010 Commonwealth Games Section Manager).

Be Family – Permanent Residency

The CEO reported that Vannara & Socheata Be had attained Permanent Residency status and that work had commenced to assist their endeavours to become Australian citizens immediately – so both athletes would be eligible to compete at forthcoming international events.

Nigeria Weightlifting Federation

The Directors noted correspondence inviting the AWF to participate in Nigeria in a coordinated training camp.

HPAC Resignation

The resignation of Luke Borreggine from the HPAC was noted by the Directors.

Finance

Finance Report

Danielle Waller, on behalf of the Finance Committee, presented the following monthly reports for consideration, analysis and scrutiny:

- May 2009

Considering ASC funding, post 30 June 2010 is unknown, the Board resolved to prepare two 2009/2010 budgets for approval at the next Board Meeting.

Reports

Australian Sports Commission

- The CEO reported that together with the High Performance Manager, the preparation of the 2009/10 Operational Plan had commenced.
- Pending further rationale from the ASC, the AWF Board remained unconvinced that changing its legal status to a 'Company limited by guarantee' was in the best interest of Australian Weightlifting.

Anti Doping

No report

World Junior Championships 2009

Lyn Jones reported that Davina Hughes finished 12th at the event while Malek Chamoun placed 16th. In addition, both athletes achieved personal best totals.

Australian Senior Championships 2009

Matthew Curtain reported that Victoria dominated the 2009 National Championships by winning both team shields. Simplice Ribouem (VIC) and Seen Lee (VIC) were also judged as the best lifters of the event.

2010 Delhi Commonwealth Games

Expression of Interest – Technical Officials

Having received applications from Boris Kayser, Leo Ryan, Pedro Sanchez, Jenny Sanchez, Eric Rosario, Bob Hemery, Jack Walls and Max Ryan, the Board endorsed the recommendation, as received by the sub-committee comprising of Sam Coffa, Robert Kabbas and Matthew Curtain

- Pedro Sanchez, Jenny Sanchez and Boris Kayser.

Director, Boris Kayser did not vote in this matter.

2010 Commonwealth Games Trials

Upon the recommendation of the HPM, the Board agreed that the 2010 Commonwealth Games Trials be held on Saturday, 19 June 2010.

International Weightlifting Federation [Bucharest Meeting – June 2009]

Executive Board

The reported prepared by IWF Vice President, Sam Coffa was tabled.

Technical Committee

The reported prepared by IWF TC member, Pedro Sanchez was tabled.

Coaching & Research Committee

The reported prepared by IWF C&R member, Lyn Jones was tabled.

Capitations – 30 June 2009

The Board ratified the National Capitations for the period ending 30 June 2009:

Year to Date, as at 30 June 2009				
State Member	Over 17	Under 16	Others	Sub Total
Victoria	80	19	32	131
New South Wales	68	6	22	96
South Australia	26	3	15	44
Western Australia	39	13	37	89
Queensland	93	17	39	149
Northern Territory	4	2	2	8
Tasmania	7	9	9	25
Australian Capital Territory	6	0	0	6
Total				548

2009 World Masters Games – Athlete Selection Process

As recommended by Lawrie Townsend, the Board approved the athlete selection criteria for the 2009 World Masters Games.

In addition, Lawrie Townsend was appointed as the Team Manager for the event.

The agreed to provide team uniforms for the 15 selected Australian representatives. Moreover and subject to available finance, a subsidy would be provided to the other participants to assist with the purchasing of team apparel.

High Performance

Meeting, 17 July 2009

The Board approved the HPAC's recommendations from the meeting held on 17 July 2009.

Team Officials Nomination Panel

In line with the nomination of the D2010 Section Manager, the Board agreed that the same members be charged with recommending the team officials for the 2010 Commonwealth Games and other international events. That being; Robert Kabbas, (Chairman), Michael Noonan and Martin Leach.

Coach Education Program update

Item deferred

Contract of Services

No update

Strategic Plan

Item deferred

General Business

Date of 2009 Annual General Meeting – 07 November 2009

The Board confirmed the date of the 2009 Annual General Meeting as being Saturday, 07 November 2009 (venue - to be confirmed).

CEO Review Committee

Item deferred

CEO Succession Plan

The Board accepted the CEO's resignation, effective from 14 November 2009.

Review of AWF Committees

Item deferred

Board Procedures

Item deferred

Marketing and sponsorship opportunities

Upon the recommendation of the President, the Board agreed to the establishment of the Marketing & Sponsorship Committee comprising of Phil Maunder & Craig Wegert.

AWF Hall Of Fame – proposal

Item deferred

Athlete historical numbers of representation – proposal

Item deferred