

Minutes of the Special General Meeting of New Zealand Masters Athletics held at Novatel, Ellerslie, Auckland on Saturday 6 August 2016 commencing at 5pm.

Present; Mr A W Stark presided over the meeting comprising delegates from the following NZMA Centres,

Northland	Mrs M Crooke and Mr I Carter
Auckland	Messrs C Thompson and T Deleiros
Waikato Bay of Plenty	Mr M Clarkson, Ms F Riley
Taranaki	Mesdames K Gillum-Green and L Mackay
Hawkes Bay Gisborne	Mr C Thompson (Appointed Delegate)
Wellington	Mr M and Mrs S Wray
Tasman	Messrs D Shaw and I Carter
Canterbury	Messrs P King and M Bond
Otago	Mr R Homan
Southland	Mr D Grieve
Secretary	Mr S T Foster
Additional members	5

As the number of centres represented exceeds the minimum requirements (7) the meeting was able to proceed.

Apology: An apology was received form Mr J Blair MNZM and Mr J Campbell

Purpose of meeting: The purpose of the meeting was:

(1)To approve the adoption of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between New Zealand Masters Athletics (Incorporated) and Athletics New Zealand. The purpose of the MOU is the sharing of Membership information.

(2) Review the subscriptions for the year 2016/2017.

The Chair reported on the background to the proposal of the MOU and his discussions with the CEO of ANZ. The question of the publication of the updates since the Board meeting held was questioned as they had not been sent to centres. The chair explained that the MOU is not a legal binding document and can be rescinded by either party at any time. The current subscription structure was discussed and the MOU would eliminate some of the anomalies, particularly where competitive ANZ athletes were paying subscriptions to both associations. It was anticipated that ANZ Club Members would filter down to competing in NZMA competitions.

After limited discussion it was agreed that the MOU proceed and be duly signed.

The motion was put and passed 17/2

Subscriptions: The Secretary brought to the attention of the meeting the need for the athlete to join an NZMA centre to qualify for participation in OMA and WMA events. Lengthy discussion took place concerning the fee structure. The fee structure effective from 1 September 2016 was agreed as follows;

NZMA competitive member \$60.00 including Vetline subscription
NZMA social member \$45.00 including Vetline subscription
ANZ competitive member \$0.00
Vetline subscription (to ANZ members) \$25.00

Irrespective of the requirements of the Constitution, and the opinion expressed by the NZMA honorary solicitor the Chair ruled that the matter is to proceed and any amendments to the constitution are to follow later.

Moved K Gillum Green/ S Wray "That the matter proceed and as a result constitutional changes will need to be made to ensure the MOU is effective."

The Motion was put and carried.

Closure: The Chair thanked the meeting for their attendance and formally closed the meeting at 5.47pm.