



SINGAPORE HOCKEY FEDERATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday, 7 August 2018 at 7.30pm
Sengkang Hockey Stadium, VIP Lounge, Level 4

The 26th Annual General Meeting was held on 7th August 2018 (Tuesday). It commenced at 7.55pm when a quorum was attained. Please refer to **Appendix 1** for the attendance list.

1. PRESIDENT'S WELCOME ADDRESS

1.1 The President, Mr. Mathavan Devadas, welcomed all present to the 26th Annual General Meeting of the Federation.

1.2 The President mentioned that we had just completed the 3rd National Games with the inclusion of Hockey 5s as a sport, and we had about 700 players who had participated.

1.3 The President also highlighted that just six weeks ago, the Men's and Women's national team participated in the Hockey Series Open. The Men's team won the first gold medal in an international event since the SEAP Games in 1973. With this success, the Men's team have qualified to participate in the Hockey Series Finals in 2019.

1.4 The President then highlighted that besides Hockey 5s which is now firmly established in the tournament calendar, Indoor Hockey is another complimentary game which has progressed with the introduction of the indoor league in 2017. Schools hockey will also transition to this complimentary form to enable more school's participation in 2019.

1.5 The President highlighted that the hockey fraternity watched the live streaming of the NHL 1 and NWL 1 matches, through social media which proved to be very popular. It is a venture which has increased the visibility of our leagues and it is hoped that it can be continued in the future with the possibility of attracting sponsorship for our national competitions.

1.6 The President then talked about the ActiveSG Hockey Academy, which will begin operations in the coming months. This will bring hockey to the community and help create new participation opportunities for players and coaches alike.

1.7 Lastly, the President thanked all affiliates, players, the SHF staff and stakeholders for their contribution and dedication to the sport and hoped for their continued support in growing the sport. His Welcome Address is attached at Appendix 2.

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE AGM HELD ON 03RD AUGUST 2017

2.1 The President directed the members to the minutes and asked if there were any comments.

The minutes were passed without any additional comments.

Proposed by: Mr. R Kumarasan [Vanquishers Hockey Club]

Seconded by: Mr. Joshua Tan [Hypernovas Hockey Club]

3 APPROVAL OF ANNUAL REPORT

3.1 The President, Mr Mathavan Devadas, began by making certain clarifications to the annual report. Firstly, he pointed out that there were some changes to the EXCO and Council staff and over the course of the year, new administrative staff had also joined the federation and some left. However, the coaching team has remained the same over the last 2 years. He also pointed out that Ms Annabel Pennefather had resigned from the Appeals Board as she has been appointed as Judicial Commissioner for the FIH.

3.2 The President then mentioned that there has been a slight improvement in our reserves.

3.3 The President also mentioned that the Federation's bankers with whom the bank accounts are maintained, remain the same – United Overseas Bank.

3.4 High Performance & Athlete Selection section

He mentioned that our U14 Boys and Girls participated in the MHC Milo Cup in Kuala Lumpur where the boys finished 11th out of 15 teams and the girls finished unplaced.

3.5 Boys Rising Stars

The team participated in the NHL 4 last year and finished champions and are currently competing in the ongoing NHL 3.

3.6 Girls Rising Stars

The team Squad participated in the NWL 2 and finished 7th out of 7 teams.

3.7 U18 Boys

The U18 Boys Participated in the 2nd TNB Thunderbolts U18 Cup and unfortunately, they lost all their games in the round robin phase and were unplaced.

3.8 U21 Boys

The U21 Squad participated in the Pre-Sukma Games in Ipoh, where they finished 3rd.

3.9 Men's Senior Team

The Men's and Women's Senior Team participated in the 29th SEA Games where both teams brought home the Bronze medal. The Women's Senior Team also participated in the 9th Women's Asia Cup and unfortunately finished 8th out of 8 teams. This was unfortunate as they had lost the shootout to Thailand. Lastly, the Men's and Women's Indoor Hockey team also participated in the 29th SEA Games whereby the Men's team brought home the Bronze medal and the Women's team finished 4th.

3.10 Youth Development

Mr Paul Lim queried on the efforts being made by SHF stem the decline in the schools which are playing hockey. Mr Mathavan pointed out that there were several reasons why schools stopped offering Hockey as a CCA, one of which was declining birth rate. Mr Hector Gomez added that schools also found the cost as a barrier to participation. Mr Paul Lim informed of the case of St Nicholas Primary where the old girls had raised \$40,000 to keep the Hockey program going, but the principal was still intending to close the sport. Mr Hector Gomez informed that he has been alerted about this by the SHF and efforts had been made to persuade the school to keep Hockey and principal was now reconsidering. Mr Mathavan also informed that multiple approaches were necessary to start Hockey in a school and pointed to recent successes with Woodlands Ring Secondary and Teck Whye Primary.

Following the above comments, the Annual Report was passed.

Proposed by: Mr. Tan Keng Siong [Barkerites Hockey Club]

Seconded by: Mr. Olaf Kwakman [HollandseHockey Club]

4 APPROVAL OF AUDITED ACCOUNTS

4.1 Mr Mathavan directed everyone's attention to the audited accounts and requested Ms Lim Siew Li the Asst Treasurer to further explain the breakdown of the audited accounts for the last financial year.

4.2 Ms Lim mentioned that the Federation operated at a net loss of \$23, 825 but the balance sheet reflected that the Federation is still financially healthy. The net loss was primarily due to the national team program as the SHF sent 4 teams to the SEA Games.

4.3 Ms Lim asked if there were any further questions, pertaining to the audited accounts.

4.4 Mr Paul Lim queried why there is an income component under the appointment of umpires. Mr Mathavan explained that the funding was given by MOE to pay the umpires. Previously the schools paid the umpires directly, but from 2017 the SHF was appointed to pay the umpires and the MOE paid the SHF which in turn paid the umpires.

4.5 Mr. Joshua Tan queried on the booking of pitches and the fees attached to it. Schools always try and book for their training sessions, but it is not always available. Mr Nicholas from ORA also

queried if ActiveSG could provide some form of subsidy, due to the costs of booking a pitch and if this was only for the sport of Hockey or was this inclusive of other sports as well. Mr. Kartik from SportSG informed that the cost of pitch booking is determined by statute and schools in fact receive a subsidy as opposed to the clubs and other commercial hirers.

4.6 Mr Paul Lim pointed to the League Income for the year and asked if the SHF was charging the teams too much given that there was a surplus as against the League Expenditure. Mr Mathavan pointed out that in addition to the pitch bookings and umpires' fees, the salary of the staff hired to do the tournament work also contributed to the cost of running tournaments. The staff salary was not captured under League Expenses. In addition, other costs such as internet, electricity were also shared expenses with tournaments and could not be included in League Expenses. Ms Lim also pointed out that the SHF was in deficit for the year and as such league fees paid by clubs were not accumulated into any reserves.

4.7 Mr Karthik from SportSG replied that there is a subsidy for running tournaments, but this covers all aspects of the tournaments that are organized by SHF, and not just the leagues. Mr Mathavan pointed out that besides the leagues, the SHF runs Hockey 5s and Plate and Bowl competitions for schools, all of which attract a cost.

4.8 Mr Ramesh Appoo stressed that the Tournament Committee is always looking to strike a balance between running the league and keeping the wage costs low. However, this is not always possible as there will always be unseen costs that arise. The SHF cannot be budgeting to run tournament at a loss and must at least break even.

4.9 Mr Paul Lim also mentioned that certain clubs were thinking of merging due to the fees.

4.1 Following the above comments, the Audited Accounts was passed.

Proposed by: Mr. K Rajaram [Life Member]

Seconded by: Mr. K Ramamoorthy [Republic Polytechnic]

5 ELECTION OF COUNCIL FOR THE TERM 2018 TO 2020

5.1 Mr. Mathavan then informed that at the close of nominations on 27 July 2018 the following nominations for EXCO were received:

Mr. Mathavan Devadas (President),
Mr. Ramesh Appoo (Deputy President)
Mr Aw Bang Hui (Vice-President)
Mr Tan Sain Kon Jevan (Vice-President)
Mr. Jaya Moorthi s/o Sinniah Pillai (Vice-President),
Ms Vimalatulasi d/o Vetrivel (Vice-President)
Mr Abdul Samad bin Mohamed Ismail (General Secretary),
Ms Rilaini Bte Sapari (Asst General Secretary)
Ms. Lelaina Lim Siew Li (Treasurer)
Mr. Ramamoorthy s/o Krishnan (Asst Treasurer)

Mr. Mathavan informed that the above-mentioned persons would therefore be elected as EXCO for the term 2018 to 2020.

5.2 Mr. Mathavan then informed that as of 27 July 2018, the following nominations were received for Ordinary Council Members:

Mr. Ravin Periasamy
Mr. Joginder Singh
Ms Tan Ling Yen Janice
Mr. Ang Chee Kiong
Mr. Amarjeet Singh
Ms. Siti Amalina Bte Mohamad Said
Ms Amirah Bte Ariffin
Ms Tan Sue Taime Bernetta
Mr Bala Muraly s/o Anchang
Mr Tan Yu Wei Joshua

Mr. Mathavan then informed that the above-named persons would be elected as Ordinary Council Members for the term 2018 to 2020.

6 CONFIRMATION OF AUDITORS

6.1 Mr Mathavan, informed that the current auditors M/s Kong Lim & Partners worked well with the Secretariat and the SHF's accountants and were willing to continue to be the approved auditors for the next Financial Year. Mr Mathavan requested for proposers and seconders that M/s Kong Lim & Partners be appointed as the Federation's external Auditors for the period until the next Annual General Meeting.

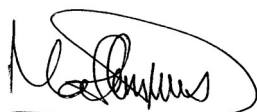
Following the above comments, the Confirmation of Auditors was passed.

Proposed by: Mr. G Ramatas [Buccaneers Hockey Club]

Seconded by: Mr. Abdul Samad [Hawks Hockey Club]

7 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 As there was no other business, Mr. Mathavan Devadas thanked all those present at the Annual General Meeting. The meeting ended at 9.00pm.



Mathavan Devadas
President
Singapore Hockey Federation



Abdul Samad Bin Mohamad Ismail
General Secretary
Singapore Hockey Federation

ATTENDANCE FOR SHF AGM – 7th August 2018

EXCO MEMBERS		
S/N	Name	Designation
1	Mathavan Devadas	President
2	Ramesh Appoo	Deputy President
3	Abdul Samad bin Mohamed Ismail	General Secretary
4	Vimalatulasi	Vice-President
5	Aw Bang Hui	Vice-President
6	Ravin Periasamy	Vice-President
7	Lelaina Lim Siew Li	Treasurer

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEMBERS		
S/N	Name	Designation
1	Amirah Binte Ariffin	Council Member

CLUB MEMBER REPRESENTATIVES		
S/N	Representative	Club Member
1	Tan Keng Siong	Barkerites
2	G Ramatas	Buccaneers
3	Joginder Singh	Ballions
4	Rilaini Sapari	Crescent
5	Stephan Jean-Louis Ribouleau	Eagles
6	Olaf Kwakman	Hollandse
7	Tan Yu Wei	Hypernova
8	Felix Hector Gomez	Jansenites
9	Nicholas Pathy	Old Rafflesians Association
10	K Ramamoorthy	Republic Polytechnic
11	Janice Tan	Singapore Cricket Club
12	Lawrence Coelho	Tornados
13	Lim Shihong Paul Roger	Tannibellies
14	K Vijayan	Vijayanti
15	R Kumarason	Vanquishers
16	Nordin Manaf	Victoria Junior College
17	Tony Chow	St. Andrew's

CORPORATE MEMBERS REPRESENTATIVES		
S/N	Representative	Cooperate Member

LIFE MEMBERS		
S/N	Name	Designation
1	Krishnasamy Rajaram	Life Member

ALSO, IN ATTENDANCE		
S/N	Name	Role
1	Kartik Agrawal	SportSG
2	Bryan Vijayan	Sport Operations and Development Executive
3	Steven Lee	General Administration Executive
4	Jonathan Sng	Tournaments and Events Executive
5	Lim Hui Min	Intern
6	Jaya Moorthi s/o Sinniah Pillai	Candidate for Vice President

ABSENT WITH APOLOGIES		
S/N	Name	Role
1	Tan Sain Kon Jevan	General Secretary, SHF
2	Savinder Singh Dhillon	Vice-President, SHF
3	Sachin Goklaney	Treasurer, SHF

PRESIDENT'S WELCOME ADDRESS – SHF AGM 2018

Good evening members of the Hockey Family and welcome to the 26th Annual General Meeting of the Federation.

We have just completed the third National Games with the inclusion of Hockey 5s as a sport and seen a participation of over 700 players.

Just six weeks ago the Men's and Women's national team participated in the Hockey Series Open with the Men's team winning the first gold medal in an international event by a Men's team since the SEAP Games of 1973. With this success the Men's team now qualify for the Hockey Series Finals in 2019.

Besides Hockey 5s which is now a firmly established format in the tournament calendar, Indoor Hockey is another complimentary game which has seen progress with the introduction of a league in 2017. Schools hockey will also transition to complimentary forms of the game to promote participation in 2019.

Most of the fraternity would also have watched the live stream of the NHL1 and NWL1 matches. It is a venture which has increased the visibility of our leagues and it is hoped that it can be continued in the future with the possibility of attracting sponsorship to national competitions.

In the coming months the ActiveSG Hockey Academy will begin operation, and this will bring hockey to a more community level creating new participation opportunities for players and coaches alike.

Much of what has been achieved in the past year could not have happened without the support of the affiliates, players, the SHF staff and all stakeholders and I thank one and all for their continued contribution and dedication to the sport.

Thank You.