

SINGAPORE HOCKEY FEDERATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday, 26 September 2022 at 7:30pm Auditorium at Sports Hub

The 30th Annual General Meeting was held on 26 September 2022 (Monday). It commenced at 7:37pm after a quorum was attained. Refer to Appendix 1 for the attendance list.

1. PRESIDENT'S WELCOME ADDRESS

1.1 The President, Mr. Mathavan Devadas, welcomed the affiliates and guests of the Federation present at the 30th Annual General Meeting and called the meeting to order. (The President's Welcome Address is at Appendix 2)

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE 29th AGM HELD ON 30 SEPTEMBER 2021 AND EOGM HELD ON 29 MARCH 2022

- 2.1 The minutes of the 29th Annual General Meeting with its appendices and Extraordinary General Meeting having been circulated to affiliates and life members three weeks prior to the meeting, were taken as read.
- 2.2 There were no comments from affiliates and no matters arising from the minutes.
- 2.3 The 29th Annual General Meeting minutes and Extraordinary General Meeting minutes was passed.

Proposed by: Shrmani Abdul Hamid [Police Sports Association] **Seconded by:** Kumarasan Ramasamy [Prison Sports & Recreation Club]

3. APPROVAL OF ANNUAL REPORT

- 3.1 The President summarized the report which had been circulate 7 day earlier.
- 3.2 The President shared that SHF have either formal signed MOU or arrangement via exchange or letters/emails with 7 hockey association (Malaysia, Australia, Japan, Thailand, Scotland, Indonesia and the Oceania Hockey Federation). With respect to all this MOU, SHF does not pay for the travelling or accommodation cost of the umpires to come to Singapore to umpire with the exception of Malaysia as the cost is low and SHF is heavily dependent on them to help with umpiring the weekend league games. Apart from Malaysia the travel and accommodation cost are borne by either the sending association or a donor/sponsor.

- 3.3 No queries were raised regarding the Annual Report.
- 3.4 The Annual Report was passed with no objections.

Proposed by: Suketu Khabaria [Vanquishers Hockey club]

Seconded by: Abdul Samad [Hawks Hockey Club]

4. APPROVAL OF AUDITED ACCOUNTS

- 4.1 The Treasurer presented the statement of comprehensible income for Singapore Hockey Federation for the period of 1st April 221 to 31st March 2022, which had been circulated 7 days earlier. For the period in review, the Federation's income stood at \$1,843,980.00, in comparison to \$1,835,387.00 in FY2021 which is a marginal increase. There was increase in annual operating expenditure from \$1,089,864 in FY2021 to \$1,361,943 for period in review due to pick up of activities as shared earlier by the President. For both years, the Federation had a surplus with the main bulk via the One Team Singapore Fund. The Federation retains strong cash flow with donations and support from SportSG and equity position has improved since the last FY.
- 4.2 The Treasurer then invited questions from affiliates regarding the Audited Accounts.
- 4.3 No query was raised, and the Audited Accounts were passed.

Proposed by: Nordin Manaff [Crescent Hockey Club]

Seconded by: William Woolsey Brown [Tornados Hockey club]

5. ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE BOARD FOR THE TERM 2022 TO 2026

5.1 President informed that as of 19th September 2022 only the following nominations were received for positions on the Executive Board.

Executive Board Members

President Mr. Mathavan Devadas Deputy President Mr. Aw Bang Hui

Secretary General Mr. Abdul Samad Bin Mohamed Ismail

Asst Secretary General Ms. Tan Sue Taime Bernetta

Treasurer Mr. Soo Hon Weng
Asst Treasurer Ms. Latha Natarajan
Vice President Mr. Ang Chee Kiong
Vice President Ms. Rilaini Bte Sapari
Vice President Ms. Lilian Chee Lai Lin

Vice President Mr. Mohamed Shamir Mohamed Osman

5.2 The above nominations were deemed returned unopposed for the term 2022 to 2026.

6. CONFIRMATION OF AUDITORS

- The President informed the meeting that Deloitte has been our auditors for the past 3 years and as a charity the SHF is required to spend funds prudently and to not keep auditors for too long a period of time. Quotations were sought and after deliberation of the quotation received by the EXCO, Stamford Assurance PAC is being proposed as the Auditor.
- 6.2 No objections were raised and Stamford Assurance PAC were appointed for FY2022 FY2023.

Proposed by: Shrmani Abdul Hamid [Police Sports Association] **Seconded by:** William Woolsey Brown [Tornados Hockey club]

7. APPROVE ANY RESOLUTION TABLED BY FULL MEMEBERS OR THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

7.1 There are no resolutions tabled.

8. APPROVE OR REMOVE FULL MEMBERS

8.1 The President explained to the meeting as per the new constitution, new members who joined SHF would be associate members until they are approved in the AGM. There are no new full members to be approved or removed.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

9.1 Given all agenda items have been discussed, the President continued with a presentation on what can be expected for 2023.

Facilities

9.2 There are currently existing facilities are Sengkang Hockey Stadium, PSOEB (Evans Road) and Boon Lay Hockey Village. Two new facilities expecting to open in Q1 of 2023 are Jurong Town which would have 1 sand-dressed full-size pitch & 4 Indoor hockey courts and Delta Sports Centre with 1 water-based full-size pitch & 2 hockey 5s court. The turf that was previously used in Seng Kang would be re-laid at Delta.

Calendar of Event 2023 & International

9.3 The calendar for tournaments 2023 and international tournament was shared to the meeting. SHF hope to participate in all the international tournaments shared.

Questions raised by an affiliate

- 9.4 The President shared that an affiliate had submitted 4 questions for consideration at the AGM. Unfortunately, that affiliate was not present at the AGM.
- 9.5 The first question was regarding returning to double round robin or having more teams in each league. It was explained that the only reason that the leagues were being played in single round robin was because of the late start to the year due to the COVID restrictions. For 2023, there was every intention to return to double round robin.
- 9.6 The second question was regarding seed money being given to clubs for youth development. Again, it was explained that this had already been done and was set out in the Annual Report. A sum of \$50,000 sponsorship was secured and distributed to selected 5 clubs in March 2022.
- 9.7 The third question was regarding SHF EXCO members attending prize giving for tournaments. It was pointed out that Mr. Samad the SHF Secretary General attended the prize presentation for the leagues.
- 9.8 The final question was regarding upgrading umpiring standards. Unfortunately, no details were given concerning what the concerns about umpiring standards were. It was pointed out that umpire coaches attend matches regularly to coach umpires and as was disclosed in the Annual Report several Umpire Circles were held to brief umpires on the new rules and interpretations. It was hoped that affiliates would send more participants to the umpire courses conducted every year, as the number of umpires currently on the Roll is very small.

Chandra Chinniah (Jansenites Hockey Club): Ask about the plans for U21?

9.9 The President reverted that there was a trial this year for the selection for both U14 & U21 developmental squad for the Milo Cup (for U14) and the Junior AHF / Asia Cup (for U21). Both groups of players are undergoing training now and some have been selected for the Razak Cup in October 2022.

Shrmani Abdul Hamid (Police Sport Association): More holiday Camps for youth development

9.10 The President shared that we had a SportWay camp was held in June 2022 with 2 days for 8-14 and 3 days for 14-18 and there would be more holiday camps to be planned during every school holidays. ActiveSG Academy do also have programs for U12 and a new U16 to U19 program catered for players not participating in any clubs. The youth development grant would also be helping the 5 clubs develop their youth development programs and we hope for this to extend further in the future.

- 9.11 On behalf of the Executive Board, the President thanked everyone present at the Annual General Meeting for their attendance and participation.
- 9.12 The meeting was declared closed at 8.14pm.

Appendix 1 SHF 30th Annual General Meeting Attendance List

SHF Affiliates				
1	Ang Chee Keong	Barkerities Hockey Club		
2	Tan Tong Leng	Eagles Hockey Club		
3	Chandran Chinniah	Jansenites Hockey Club		
4	Abdul Samad	Hawks Hockey Club		
5	Nordin Manaff	Crescent Hockey Club		
6	Aw Bang Hui	Buccaneers Hockey Club		
7	Kumarasan Ramasamy	Prison Sports & Recreation Club		
8	Kyle Teo	St Andrew's Alumni Hockey		
9	William Woolsey Brown	Tornados Hockey club		
10	Suketu Khabaria	Vanquishers Hockey club		
11	Shrmani Abdul Hamid	Police Sports Association		
12	Heah Dai Rong	ACSOBASG Oldham		
13	Julian Michael	Singapore Cricket Club		
14	Charanpal Singh	Hypernovas Hockey Club		
15	Amvish Der Sandhu	Victoria Junior College		

SHF Observers				
16	Syed Ahmad	Sport Singapore		
17	Agathiyan Baskaran	Sport Singapore		
18	Soo Hon Weng Wayne	Incoming EB		
19	Latha Natarajan	Incoming EB		

SHF Executive Committee				
20	Mathavan Devadas	President, SHF		
21	Ramesh Appoo	Deputy President, SHF		
22	Rilaini Sapari	Asst Secretary General, SHF		
23	Lelaina Lim	Treasurer, SHF		
24	Christabel Chan	Vice President, SHF		

SHF Staff				
25	Derek Chong	General Manager, SHF		
26	Ho Wei Hong	High Performance Executive, SHF		
27	Yap Yanping	Operations Executive, SHF		
28	Muhammad Romie	Intern, SHF		
29	Muhammad Khairul	Intern, SHF		

Appendix 2 SHF 30th Annual General Meeting President's Welcome Address

Good evening, Affiliates and Life Members. Welcome to the 30th Annual General Meeting of the Federation and thank you for attending in person.

With the re-opening of borders and the lifting of restrictions, Hockey has started to journey back to pre-COVID times.

The leagues have resumed, the national teams have returned to competition. International hockey will soon return to Singapore.

We have a new Executive Board which will start work almost immediately. In the next few days Affiliates will receive a communication to nominate persons for the new Board Committees.

Also, there will be an Athlete's Commission. Nominations for positions on this Commission will be requested, from Affiliates.

As mentioned at the last AGM, the SHF has engaged a Technical Director who began work in April. He has met some Affiliates and in the coming months will meet more, as we move forward with a new Athlete Development Scheme. One area of focus will also be Indoor Hockey.

As set out in the Annual Report, a Youth Development Grant has been distributed to various Affiliates. This will be reviewed going forward.

Of significant mention is the qualification of the Women's team for the Asian Games, now postponed to 2023. It is the first time that the Women's team will have qualified for the Asian Games since 1994.

In 2023, the SEA Games in Cambodia will see the return of both Field Hockey and Indoor Hockey. The following two SEA Games in 2025 in Thailand and 2027 in Malaysia are quite likely to see both Field Hockey and Indoor Hockey. The 2029 SEA Games will be in Singapore. We therefore, have the opportunity to build both disciplines of our sport and this will be a key focus of the new Executive Board.

There is much to look forward to as we come out of the pandemic more Hockey and even more Hockey.

Thank You.