

Lawn Bowls Association for the Disabled (Singapore)

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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM) of **LAWN BOWLS** ASSOCIATION FOR THE DISABLED (SINGAPORE) HELD ON 3rd SEPTEMBER 2022 (SATURDAY) AT 10.00 AM

Total number of Life/Ordinary Members Present: 28 Membership Strength as at AGM: 58

1. TO APPROVE AND ADOPT OF 2021 AGM'S MINUTES OF MEETING

President James Chia called the meeting to order at 10.05 am, noting that the AGM attendance has met the quorum. Dhananjay Jadhav welcomed all the members and thanked them for attending the AGM. He presented the minutes of the meeting 2021 and called upon the members to ascertain the minutes of meeting. There were no queries or amendments to the minutes , the minutes were proposed by Ganesh and seconded by Josephine Sarbo. The Minutes were approved by the members.

2. OPENING ADDRESS BY THE PRESIDENT

James Chia addressed the members for attending the AGM. He shared the past two years have been challenging due to Covid 19 and a lot of activities were cancelled, with the easing of the Covid 19 measures he called upon the members to look forward to the activities planned for future. He also thanked all the board members, coaches, players and all the members for their continuing support to Parabowls Singapore.

3. APPROVE AND ADOPT FINANCIAL & AUDIT REPORT 2020/2021

Desiree gave an overview of the financial position of the association.

ltems	FY 2021-22	FY 2020-21	Remarks
Total Income	SGD 173,342	SGD 74,135	Increase in income was primarily
			driven by subsidies from one-off
			Bicentennial community fund,
			President challenge and from SDSC.



			The Merlion challenge was also not conducted due to Covid 19. It will be planned in future based on the Covid 19 situation.
Total Expense	SGD 34,102	SGD 32,604	Expenses stayed relatively constant due to Covid 19 pandemic over 2020 and 2022, the restrictions were lifted only after FY 2021/22. Some of the expenses e.g., Yann Kit will be expensed off only after the financial year closing i.e., after March 2022. The upcoming expenses include employment of new staff planned for managing the charities administrative activities due to increase in the workload.

The Audited financial report was proposed by Mr Chin , seconded by Yann Qi, and approved by the members.

4. TO APPROVE AND ADOPT ANNUAL REPORT 2020/2021

Dhananjay shared how Parabowls continues to focus on its vision of making Lawn Bowls as the sport of choice. He thanked Patron Ms Indranee for her support to Parabowls. He highlighted the importance of the governance standards to be maintained to retain IPC recognition. He shared the annual report highlights the regularity of exco members attending the exco meetings and contributing to association matters.

He also highlighted the how Parabowls have introduced and maintained the reserves policy and whistle blowing policy, he shared the reserves ratio is at 8.21 as there were not many expenses due to Covid 19. Desiree shared that the ratio will be lower in the upcoming year with the increase in expenses due to upcoming activities. She also shared that the funds from the training pathways will be used to train for competition in Malaysia to be held in September 2022.

The Annual report 2021/2022 was proposed by Michelle, seconded by Yann Qi, and approved by the members.

5. TO PRESENT CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2021/2022

Michelle presented the events held in the past year and the future events. She shared that Merlion challenge 2022 was cancelled due to Covid 19, it may be held in the year 2024 as Asian and ASEAN para games are scheduled to be held in 2023. She also updated on the activities for the year 2022 and plan for 2023.



Events in 2022

- Annual Open Mixed Singles Challenge
- Friendly competition with Malaysia National Team was held in June
- Ongoing training for competitive games. Players will be going to JB/Malaysia in from 24 Sep to 2 Oct 3rd Asia Bowls Championship. This will be used as a platform to select players for Asian & ASEAN Para Games.
- Plan to have a selected players for exposure to international competitions in preparation for 2023 competitions/championships. To be further discussed for more targeted goals.
- Upcoming Learn-to-play course in Nov for visually impaired, physically impaired, and new exco and volunteers.
- Plan to collaborate with RC to have a competition in December to coincide with Christmas celebration

Activities planned in 2023

- Welcome event 2023
- Training for high performing and development of players will continue
- To work with community especially the residents & elderly in Tanjong Pagar GRC for outreach & awareness
- More international representation i.e., participate in games/competitions in Japan, South Korea, Hong Kong, Indonesia & Thailand
- Couple of overseas competitions were cancelled due to Covid-19 pending the organisers on the revised dates/plan.

6. FUTURE PLANS OF PARABOWLS SINGAPORE

James Chia shared the activities were planned in line with the multi years sports plan 2020-2024 which has been submitted to SDSC following the key strategic pillars – Funding, Volunteers, Players, Governance and Venue. He also shared that a retreat was held to take stock of the achievements, discuss on strategy, and analyze focus areas under the strategic pillars, with the 3 key areas being players, volunteers, and funding

Players: to ensure sustainable pipeline of disabled sportsmen. He appealed to the members to take opportunities of upcoming competitions to join to play the sports, grow player pool and send more players for exposure in competitions.

Volunteers: Parabowls is 100% volunteer run, there is a need for more volunteers to help run the association. He also shared that the volunteers would work with full time staff – Desiree, Khirmen who have been onboarded to help in the administration of the association. He also shared that Parabowls will continue to work with SDSC and SportsSG in the coming year.



Funding: He thanked corporate and government donors such as President Challenge for their generous contribution. He also shared that Parabowls will continue to enhance sustainable funding and strategic partnership to support the expansion plans of the association.

Governance:

He updated the members the IPC is valid till Dec 2023 and will be planned to be renewed in 2023.

Venue:

He updated the members with the Kallang green under renovation Parabowls has successfully secured Yan Kit Green as an alternative lawn green at Kallang. He thanked Beng Hong who has helped with the setup of Yan Kit Green. When Kallang Green is renovated in Q2 2023, Parabowls will have 2 greens available to hold the events.

7. ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS 2022/2024

The following Exco members were unanimously elected

President: James Chia VP(events and Development): Michelle Siew Honorary Secretary: Chen Yann Qi Asst Honorary Secretary: Dhananjay Jadhav Honorary Treasurer: Shane Kwan Asst Honorary Treasurer: Liu Yixin

Members: Hui Beng Hong, Chin Kim Sen, Ganesh S Ramanathan, Srini Srinivasan, Keh Eng Song

Following the election all the Exco members introduced themselves and affirmed that they will work toward taking Parabowls to the next level.

The meeting ended with Dhananjay thanking all the members for participating in the AGM and for their support.

With that, the meeting adjourned at 1130am.

Minutes recorded by:	Minutes vetted and confirmed by:	
Dave	7X-	
Mr Dhananjay Jadhav	Mr James Chia	
Hon Asst Secretary	President	