GOLF NSW LIMITED

Minutes of the Meeting of the COUNCIL
held at St George Rowers Club, 1 Levey Street, Wolli Creek
on Wednesday 30th October 2013, 2013 at 12 noon

Council Members in Attendance: Please see list below

Others in Attendance:

Directors: Chris Allen (Chairman), Sue Fabian (Deputy Chair), Frank Gal, Alan Harrison, Jean Moran, Lynne Ritchie, John Waanders, and Darrell Watts

Staff: Stuart Fraser, Graeme Phillipson and Wynter Hines

Other (during Special Presentation):
Martin Hirons (SBP)

Apologies: John Robinson (Director), Milton Fredericks (Golf Illawarra – Zone D), Jim Glenday (Metro – Zone C), Carolyn Hogg*, (*BMLDGA – Zone E), Jann Pearson (Metro – Zone A), Chris Gordon (Metro – Zone B), Ellen Rae (CCWGA – Zone E), Les Browne (Metro – Zone B), Mark Stamopoulos (Metro – Zone A), Tony Briers (MDGA – Zone D), Les Browne (Metro – Zone A).

Alternates: Meralyn Fage (Murray DGA), Di Thomlinson (Central Coast Women's GA), Annette Baggie (Metro – Zone A)

1. Introduction, Welcome & Apologies noted above

Chris Allen welcomed the Council Members and noted the above listed apologies and declared the meeting open at 12.05pm

The Chairman gave special welcome to the newly appointed Council Members
Ann Vince – Killara Golf Club (Metro - Zone A)
Chris Gordon – NSW Golf Club (Metro – Zone B)
Carolyn Hogg – Leura Golf Club (BMDLGA – Zone E)
Elsie Pathmanathan – Moore Park (Metro – Zone B)
Debbie Court – Lynwood Golf Club (Metro – Zone C)
Colleen Bell – Wollongong Golf Club (WGI – Zone E)
Olwyn Johnstone – Bayview Golf Club (Metro – Zone A)
Phil Dowling – Ballina Golf Club (NRDGA – Zone D)
Bob McKenzie – East Maitland (HRDGA – Zone D)

2. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting

2-1 The minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 30th July 2013, were adopted.

2-2 Business Arising:
Actions Items from the last Council Meeting:

- It was noted that Business Arising would be covered during the days discussions;

3. Chairman's Update

The Chairman advised that further information would be given throughout the day.

4. Governance & Structural Review Update

Martin Hirons from Sports Business Partners gave a presentation and update to the Council. This presentation will be made available for all Council Members. The presentation included some of the recommendations that had been established from the interviews and information gathered during the structural review. Some of the major topics included junior development, health of the clubs, the size of the council, the structure of the Board.

Please refer to the 122 page SBP Document in relation to these minutes.

5. Slope Update – GA Checklist

Recently Golf NSW distributed information on the new Slope System to all clubs in NSW. Graeme Phillipson provided copies of the new GA Checklist for each of the Council Members, the check list is for Club Administrators to help them to understand what is required to be done by a Club prior to the changes and also to identify the resources that have been provided to assist. A demonstration on the GA website on how to use the check list was given.
http://www.golf.org.au/default.aspx?s=form-checklistlogin

6. CEO Update

6-1 NSW Opens Update

Stuart Fraser reminded all present that the 2013 Gloria Jeans NSW Open at Castle Hill Country Club from November 21 – 24. $250,000.00 had been raised in sponsorship – this has been due to the collaborative work between Golf NSW and Castle Hill. The club currently has 208 Volunteers for the event from the club itself. There have been 107 Professional entries including Nick O'Hearn, James Nitties, Peter O'Malley, Terry Price, Adam Crawford and Aaron Townsend, Nick Flanagan. The event is going to be very family focused with kids zones and with free entry it is hoped that it will assist in drawing visitors to the even.

The NSW Women's Open will be played on the Australia Day long weekend in January 2014. Once again Oatlands Golf Club will be the venue for the event. Golf NSW will be supporting the event again for 2014.

All Council Members were encouraged to attend both events and show their support.

6-2 Strategic Planning Update

The Governance Review and Strategic Plan are being treated as two separate projects. The SBP team has been focusing on the Structural Review there has been a working group from Golf NSW working on the Strategic Plan independently. What the working group have identified as key issues have also married up with the SBP review. Club Health, Membership and Club Finances are key issues which both groups see as critically important. Communications will also undergo an audit along with a re-development of the website to make it more effective and user friendly.

The Board and Working Group are working closely together in identifying the major issues and moving forward with the recommendations.

7. Administration and Sub Committee Reports

7-1 Finance (J. Waanders)
Balance Sheet was taken as read.

The Chairman took the opportunity to advise the Council that the Board of GNSW had unanimously voted to bestow John Waanders with Life Membership. John Waanders has now retired from the Board and as Chairman of Finance. John Waanders thanked the Chairman, Chris Allen, for the fantastic honor of becoming a Life Member. John thanked each of the Directors for their efforts and contributions to Golf in NSW.

7-2 Handicapping & Course Rating (L. Ritchie)
Tabled and noted

Congratulations were given to John "Bushy" Miller, Brian Lanz, Olwyn Johnstone who have completed and passed the Golf Australia National Audit and Calibration.

7-3 Women's Match (J. Moran)
Tabled and noted

7-4 Men's Match (G.Phillipson)
Tabled and noted. Particular note was made of the Smoking Policy to be enforced from 1 January, 2014.

7-5 High Performance (D. Watts)
Tabled and noted

7-6 Rules (F. Gal)
Tabled and noted

8. General Business

8-1 NSW Golf Foundation
Sue Fabian advised the Council of the success of the 2013 Women's Committee Golf Day and that the day had seen over $7000 being raised for the NSW Golf Foundation.

8-2 JNJG Report
Peter Van Wegen addressed the Council on various matters and topics relating to the Junior Golf Program. Peter invited anyone with any questions regarding the Project Managers or the Schools Program to contact him directly.

10. Questions & Answer Session – Open Forum

There were no further questions.

11. Reminder re following meeting

The 2014 Meeting Schedule had not yet been set. Council Members will be advised accordingly as soon as the dates have been set.

There been no further business the meeting closed at 4.15pm

Council Member Listing:

1	Alan Simons	Metro - Zone A	34	John Dunkin	Metro - Zone C
2	Ann Vince **	Metro - Zone A	35	John Miller	CWDGA – Zone D
3	Anthony Briers (1)	MDGA – Zone D	36	Joy Slater	WGNR – Zone E
4	Barry Rowley	Metro - Zone C	37	Judy Harris	Metro - Zone C
5	Brian Lanz	NEDGA – Zone D	38	Julie Jones	Metro - Zone A
6	Bruce Nairn OAM	Metro - Zone B	39	Julie Preskett	Metro - Zone C
7	Carol Jones	Metro - Zone B	40	Kate Crone	Metro - Zone B
8	Carol O'Brien	Metro - Zone C	41	Ken Martin	WRDGA – Zone D
9	*Carolyn Hogg ** *	*BMDLGA – Zone E*	42	*Les Browne*	*Metro - Zone A*
10	*Chris Gordon ** *	*Metro - Zone B*	43	Liz Smyth	CSGA – Zone E
11	Colleen Bell **	WGI – Zone E	44	Lynne Robson	Metro - Zone A
12	Colleen Bennett	FSC&TGA – Zone E	45	Marcia Box	CWDGA – Zone E
13	David Byfield	RDGA – Zone D	46	Margaret O'Donnell	NHDLGA – Zone E
14	David Chomley	NWDGA – Zone D	47	Margaret Playford	RLGA – Zone E
15	Debbie Court **	Metro - Zone C	48	*Mark Stamopoulos*	*Metro - Zone A*
16	Dee Deitz	NHDLGA – Zone E	49	*Milton Fredericks*	*Golf Illawarra – Zone D*
17	Denis Spillane	Metro - Zone C	50	Olwyn Johnstone **	Metro - Zone A
18	Diana Lindsay	Metro - Zone B	51	Patricia Croker	SWLGA – Zone E
19	Diane Boulton	N&NWDLGA	52	Patricia Nance	Metro - Zone C
20	*Ellen Rae (3)*	*CCWGA – Zone E*	53	Paul Cortaville	NDGA – Zone D
21	Elsie Pathmanathan	Metro - Zone B	54	Paul Thomas	LVDGA – Zone D
22	Gerry Bush	Metro - Zone A	55	Peter Brien	WDGA – Zone D
23	Grant Harding	SWDGA – Zone D	56	Peter Mackay	MNCDGA – Zone D
24	Harry McKerrow	CNDGA – Zone D	57	Phil Dowling **	NRDGA – Zone D
25	Ian Elliott	CCDGA – Zone D	58	Ray Bellamy	LNCDGA – Zone D
26	Ian Fraser	Metro - Zone B	59	Robert McKenzie **	HRDGA – Zone D
27	Jan Frater	NEDGA-W – Zone E	60	Robert Scott	Metro - Zone B
28	*Jann Pearson (2)*	*Metro - Zone A*	61	Robert Soper	FSCDGA – Zone D
29	Jill Roach	Metro - Zone B	62	Robyn Newey	WDLGA – Zone E
30	*Jim Glenday*	*Metro - Zone C*	63	Tony Busch	BMDGA – Zone D
31	Jim Jackson	ACTMDGA – Zone D	64	Trevor Bartley	Metro - Zone C
32	John Barbour	Metro - Zone B	65	Verelle Miller	WGCNC – Zone E
33	John Benn	Metro - Zone A			
			*	Meralyn Fage	MDGA – Zone D
			*	Annette Baggie	Metro – Zone A
			*	Di Thomlinson	CCWGA – Zone E

Absentees/Apologies - Red italic text