

Board of Management - 2015 / 2016

President	Steve Ryan
Finance Director	James van Beek
Education Director	Paul Bray
Competition Director	Colin Segota
Director (Membership)	Sherrie Boulter
Director (ICT)	Michael Wallace
Director (Bus' Assurance)	Steve Waugh

Association Staff - 2015 / 2016

Chief Executive Officer:	Dean Paulin
Interim CEO:	Shane Bertrand
Finance, Governance & Risk:	Julie Green
Education & Development:	Shane Bertrand
Business Assurance & Special Projects:	Graham Lucas
E Commerce & Technology:	Kim John
Competition & Events:	Michael Masseni
Communications & Marketing:	Chris Lonergan (to Feb 16) Lachlan Rayner (from Feb 16)
Centre Development:	Debbie Baskin
Membership Development & Liaison:	Alana Durham
Joint Officials Training/Accreditation:	Andrea Hallett
Joint Receptionists:	Sian Mezzatesta

Josy Caon

CREDENTIALLED CENTRE DELEGATES

Albury	Brett Schofield	Rosalie Wilson
Altona	Wayne O'Halloran	Daniel Shield
Ararat	Judy Lugget	
Bacchus Marsh	Maria Downes	
Ballarat	Shane Bicknell	
Bar-rook	Mike Anthony	
Benalla	Kathy Ellis-Ragg	
Bendigo	Phil Noden	Warren Sutton
Box Hill	Steve Taylor	
Brighton	Mark Barling	
Brimbank	Dennis Thornton	
Camberwell/Malvern	Richard Hume	Clare Jennings
Camperdown	Ross McIlveen	
Casey	Stephen Woolfe	
Casterton	Rohan Gunning	
Caulfield	Marcus Buckley	Russell Harpe
Chelsea	Greg Russo	
Coburg	Georg Pecchiar	Deb Clarke
Cockatoo	Russell Butler	
Cohuna	Narelle Anthony	
Colac	Matthew Walsh	
Corio	Simon Hill	Graham Cole
Craigieburn	Sharon Stockdale	
Cranbourne	Mark Jouvelet	Connie Meier
Croydon	Dee West	
Dandenong	Melinda Burgess	Kerry Fenton
Diamond Valley	Steve Handley	
Doncaster	Michael O'Connell	Andrew Glover
Edenhope	Lynden Fielding	
Essendon	Gwen Timmins	Jamie Gray
Frankston	Iain Finlayson	Lance Kamau
Geelong	Gerry Consedine	Julia Marsh
Hume	Nic Mundt	Lee Prior
Keilor	Gail Monument	Mike Lloyd
Kew	Erroleen Fung	Mark Rice
Knox	Steve Lillie	Stephen Hough
Kyabram	David Green	Claudia Green
Kyneton & Districts	Tony Davis	
Lancefield/Romsey	Kaye Walker	
Lavington/Jindera	Belinda Daggett	Suzette Hanlon
Leongatha	Ben Cruickshank	
Maryborough	Andrew Lighten	
Melton City	Ray Duroy	Aimee Orr
Mentone	Erina Cunningham	Scott Wilcock
Moorabbin	Joanne Spencer	Chris Sharp
Mornington	Mark O'Donnell	Mark Henry
Nathalia	Amy Cooper	
Nunawading	Scott Tempany	
Orbost	Debbie Kempff	
Pakenham	Justin Piccolo	
Preston Reservoir	Phillip Martin	Rob Walsh
Ringwood	Henk Westerveld	

Rochester	Gary Milligan	
Sale	Bronwyn Elson	
Sandringham	Craig Fuber	
Seaford	Murray Smith	Katie Symonds
Seymour	Julie Calderwood	
Shepparton	Aileen Zanelli	Malcolm Duncan
Southern Peninsula	Jason Hodson	Donna Nettlefold
South Melbourne & District	James Cornwell	
Springvale	Cassie Jacobs	Sally Mejak
Sunbury	David Thies	Emma Lynch
Traralgon	Clinton Savage	Janene Becker
Wangaratta	Carolyn Trethowan	Melissa Sgarioto
Warrnambool	Peter Varley	Greg Pickett
Waverley	Darren Watts	Dylan Cooper
Werribee	Rob DeWit	
Westernport	Geoffrey Rose	
Whittlesea City	Tony Newstead	Cameron Lamb
Williamstown	Anne Rossi	
Wonthaggi	Raymond Slade	Jenna Meloury
Yarra Ranges	Darren Ford	

LIFE GOVERNORS

Ian Brown, Shaz Cairns, Steve Cowburn, Chris Doubleday, Carol Timmins

OBSERVERS

Phil Atkins, Steven Coulson, Andrew Duncan, John Mills, Anita Pangbourne, Caroline Peachey, Dawn Walsh

APOLOGIES

Irene Harris LG, Neville Harris LG, Andrew Stirling LG, Echuca/Moama, Hamilton, Murrindindi, Portland, Wodonga, Yarrawonga/Mulwala

NO APOLOGY

Apollo Bay (in recess), Bairnsdale, Barooga, Collingwood, Charlton (in recess), Corner Inlet, Corowa, Dimboola, Gisborne, Horsham, Howlong, Kerang, Kilmore & Districts, Mansfield, Moe, Mt Beauty, Oakleigh, Rutherglen, Sherbrooke, Stawell, Swan Hill, Warragul, Woodend

IN ATTENDANCE

Of 101 Affiliated Centres – 72 in attendance and 27 absent and 2 recess

Voting material for Association Awards – Life Governor & Distinguished Service Awards, was issued to delegates at time of sign in.

3. Special Resolution Motions

50 Day Special Resolutions Motions

NOTICE OF SPECIAL RESOLUTION C16 – 01

Submitted by: Board of Management

Amend Rule 16.4(a) of the Constitution of the Association to replace the word 'seven' with the word 'nine'.

Current Rule: 16.4(a)

The Board shall consist of seven Elected Directors who must all be Associate Members or Honorary Members and who shall be elected in accordance with **rule 17**.

Amend Rule to read: 16.4(a)

The Board shall consist of nine Elected Directors who must all be Associate Members or Honorary Members and who shall be elected in accordance with **rule 17**.

Reason:

The Board considers that it is appropriate to increase the size of the Board from seven to nine Elected Directors to allow for a wider range of skills to be present on the Board to deal with the increasing demands of its work.

Rule 16.5 of the Constitution provides that four of the seven Elected Directors are allocated to specific portfolios - the President, the Finance Director, the Competition Director and the Education Director. The Board considers that the number of General Directors should be increased from three to five to allow for more flexibility in the way that it controls and manages the business and affairs of the Association.

If this amendment is passed, the Board is also proposing an associated amendment to Rule 19.2(a) of the Constitution (Procedure at Board Meetings) to increase the quorum at Board meetings from four to five Directors.

Finally, the Board notes that, under Rule 25.1 of the Rules of Athletics Victoria Inc. (AV), there are eight Members of the Committee of AV. The Committee is the governing body of AV.

BOM comment: See Above.

MOTION: C16-01	PASSED – Amended ()	X	LOST	LAPSED
SECONDED Werribee			WITHDRAWN	
<p>Comments:</p> <p>Paul talked on behalf of the board regarding the workload of board members and why the addition of two members would be advantageous.</p> <p>No speaker against the motion.</p> <p>Question from Casey. With the RAC delegates only being allowed one vote per Region at a RAC meeting wouldn't this be 7 votes and it would mean that the Board would have 8 votes.</p> <p>Response. The Board did agree that some of the processes may have</p>				

to be reviewed if the motion was passed, though it was not the intention to have the Board outnumber the delegates if there was an issue to vote on at RAC.

Question from Coburg. Could the motion on the floor be changed to facilitate The voting issue at RAC.

Response. As the RAC process is dealt with in the Regulations and not the Constitution, the motion cannot be changed.

The motion was put to the floor for voting on.

44 in favour and 24 against, as 75% of the vote was needed for the motion to be passed
Motion was lost

NOTICE OF SPECIAL RESOLUTION C16 – 02

Submitted by: Board of Management

Amend Rule 19.2(a) of the Constitution of the Association to replace the word 'Four' with the word 'Five'.

Current Rule: 19.2(a)

Four Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of a meeting of the Board.

Amend Rule to read: 19.2(a)

Five Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of a meeting of the Board.

Reason:

If the Meeting passes the Special Resolution to amend Rule 16.4(a) to increase the size of the Board from seven to nine Elected Directors, the Board considers that it is appropriate to amend Rule 19.2(a) increase the size of the quorum required at Board meetings from four to five Directors.

This amendment will maintain the usual understanding that a quorum represents more than 50% of the members of a committee or meeting.

BOM comment: See Above

MOTION: C16-02		PASSED – Amended ()		LOST	X	LAPSED
SECONDED				WITHDRAWN		
Comments: Motion Lapsed						

4. Regulations

NOTICE OF MOTION C16 – 03

Submitted by: Coburg

Change the Championship Entry fees as listed in Regulation 9 Section 4, Part C, - Table of Association Subscriptions, Fees, Charges & Subsidies

Remove the two tier fee structure.

Current Rule: Regulation 9, Section 4 – Part C, C.2 Championship Entry Fees.

Fee		Amount
Cross County	Individual (Early bird)	\$20.00*
	Individual	\$40.00*
	Team	FOC
Multi-Event	Individual (Early bird)	\$30.00*
	Individual	\$50.00*
Relays	Team	\$20.00*
Track & Field	Individual event (Early bird)	\$10.00*
	Individual Event	\$15.00*
Road Relays	Team	\$20.00*
*Indicates Administrative Charge / Processing Fee applicable. Refer C.6 – Administration Charges		

Amend Rule to read: Regulation 9, Section 4 – Part C, C.2 Championship Entry Fees

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Reason:

We request to put forward a motion to have one standard fee for entry into Region / State Championship events; to eliminate the two tiered fee structure being the early-bird fee and standard fee notion and have a single fee structure only based on the early bird pricing in Regulation 9.

BOM Comment:

The BOM acknowledges the intent of this motion.

MOTION: C16-03	X	PASSED - Amended ()	LOST	LAPSED
SECONDED Albury		WITHDRAWN		
Comments Coburg spoke on the motion, one standard fee for Region/State events. A call for a speaker against the motion. No-one spoke against the motion. The motion was put to delegates to vote on. Motion was passed.				

4. Audited Financial Statements

NOTICE OF MOTION C16 - 04	Submitted by: Board of Management
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“That the Audited Financial Statements of the Little Athletics Association of Victoria for 2015 / 2016 as circulated be adopted.”

MOTION: C16-04	X	PASSED - Amended ()	LOST	LAPSED
SECONDED Essendon		WITHDRAWN		
Comments James went through the audited financial statement report. He asked delegates to take note of the page numbers as this is how they could follow his verbal report on the financial statements. When James finished he then asked for any questions of the audited financial statement report. As there were no questions from the floor. The motion was put to delegates to vote on. Motion was passed.				

6. Recommendations

From the Membership

- To be addressed by the BOM no recommendations sent to the board

7. General Business

Election Results

BOM Election Results

- Finance Director – One nomination for this position. James van Beek was re-appointed for 2 years.
- Education Director – One nomination for this position. Paul Bray was re-appointed for 2 years.
- Directors x 2 – as there were 3 nominations for 2 positions a postal ballot was held. The results were Michael Wallace and Steven Coulson were successful for the 2 Director positions for the next 2 years.

8. Awards

Association Awards

Shane went through information about the awards and when they would be presented.

Life Governors

- Steven Lopes and Gordon Loughan were successful in receiving Life Governor awards.
- Presentation at a time and place deemed suitable by the BoM and the recipient.

Distinguished Service -

- Sam Barbarto, John Rayner and Michelle McIntyre were successful in receiving Distinguished Service awards.
- Presentation at a time and place deemed suitable by the BoM and the recipient.

Meritorious Service Awards -

- Andrew Duncan, Chris Larkins, Jim Baskin and Shane Peterson were successful in receiving Meritorious Service Award.

As Andrew Duncan was in attendance he was presented with the award.

Presentations were also made to Ian Brown, Andrew Duncan and Steve Waugh in recognition of previously being on the Board.

Steve Ryan congratulated the recipients of the awards.

9. Questions

Question – Whittlesea City

A motion was sent into the office but it was not in the agenda. The Centre would like to know why this happened.

Answer – BOM

The prime reason of the AGM is to discuss constitutional matters, as the motion submitted was of a regulation matter, it was deemed not suitable for the agenda. The Board does however apologise for not advising the Centre before the agenda went out to Centres. This was an administrative error made within the office, as obviously the Centre should have been made aware of what was occurring with the agenda item they submitted and why.

Question – Coburg

In the financial report not all Regions were audited, as this was an issue last year, where is it at?

Answer – BOM

It was not possible to have all Regions audited reports as at the moment Regions financial years are ending at different dates as well as being a different date to the State audited. As distinguished in Note 24 of the Finance Report, moving forward this will be addressed and processes will be put in place to remedy the issue.

Question – Cranbourne

Could the Board look at the scheduling of a number of Region/State events. There appears to be clash of events in particular State Relays being scheduled so close to Christmas.

Answer – BOM

Every care is taken to not have this happen but sometimes it cannot be avoided. It will be taken on board to discuss for the future calendar dates.

Question – Doncaster

The 50th Anniversary book was to have been published 2 years ago. Wondering where it is at.

Answer – BOM

The original publishing company (Bounce Books) have been contacted to see how much progress was made. Some of the committee members will be contacted and we will endeavour to have the book published as soon as possible.

Observation – Doncaster would like it noted that the spend on membership had decreased but the membership numbers had decreased as well. James did explain that the spend on membership was not necessary for marketing but it would be noted.

Question – Casey

Could a decision be made as to where State Track and Field is being held and when?

Answer – BOM

We will wait till September to make the final decision.

Question – Camperdown

Centres/Regions have been asked to change under 6-8 structures. As in some Centres those age groups are at least 50% of the numbers. If purely a skilled based program, could it be a little more flexible to make it applicable to the centres especially in the country? "One size fits all" may not necessary work at all Centres and Regions, couldn't it be customised to suit.

Answer – BOM

Those that were at Minifest and saw Dr Bernie Holland's presentation would understand how important the fundamental motor skills are to young athletes. If they learn first they will be able to deal with the competition later. Bernie's presentation is on the website so have a look at this first before you make a decision. Do skills clinics at Region level. Develop the skills first. While it is understood that it may take a number of years for this process to be integrated and perhaps slight variations of the model may have to be taken on board.

Question – Albury

When will the registration packs be ready for collection?

Answer – BOM

There are not a lot of items for the packs this season. The sponsorship with Subway for the chest patches has recently been finalised so it is anticipated that all items for the registration packs will be at the mail house by 15/16th August. Delivery to the Centres is being organised. Centres do not have to come and collect. It was also asked if a patch is lost and needed replacing maybe ask for a gold coin donation to RCH.

Question – Edenhope

In following up on what Camperdown raised, Regions have been asked to take back to RAC what format they could conduct at Region events that could include under 6-8. While it is clearly understood that it is not to be competition based is there any assistance from the Board as to what should be offered. non-competitive, carnival type....what assistance is the LAVic going to give regions.

Answer – BOM

There is to be no competitive competition at Region events for the under 6-8 under any circumstances. The board will work with Regions as to what could be offered based on a non-competitive environment.

Question – Warrnambool

This year qualifying for State cross country by having to run at the region event had quite an impact for country athletes.

Answer – BOM

This may be addressed by the Board at a later date. Country regions are encouraged to put forward some suggestions in writing.

Question – Preston

Have there been any thoughts to offering little athletics to 3/4 year olds?

Answer – BOM

It is a firm belief that 3/4 year olds are not ready for an activity that needs structure.

Question – Brighton

We need a strategy to deal with growing the sport. Have there been any thoughts as to how this is going to be achieved?

Answer – BOM

A plan was put in place last year. Developing process so it will be an ongoing. Where do we sit? Strategic plan moving forward. Model is not a model for the 21st century so the board will be looking at this issue. That was why the board wanting to expand to nine. The board is aware of the position against other junior sports. It won't happen overnight.

Meeting Closed 12:32pm

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