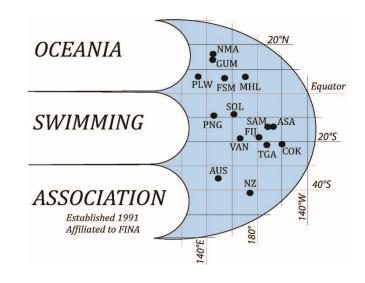
PRESIDENT: Mr Matt Dunn (AUS)

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#### MINUTES OF THE OCEANIA SWIMMING ASSOCIATION AGM December 15, 2022 – Melbourne, Australia

#### 1. CONFIRMATION OF DELEGATE ATTENDANCE

President Mr Matthew Dunn – FINA Vice President – Chair Mrs Pitila Thompson – Honorary Secretary (online) Mrs Liz Wells – Honorary Treasurer

American Samoa:	Erika Radewagen
Australia:	Michelle
Cook Islands:	Romani Katoa, Horst Miehe
Fiji:	Lucy Erasito
FSM:	Mae Bruton Adams
Guam:	Don San Augustin, Y. Inazu
Marshall Islands:	Amy La Cost
New Zealand:	Steve Johns
Northern Mariana Isl:	Richard Sikkel
Palau:	Judy Otto, Jimmy Jonas, Jr.
PNG:	Carly Pini (online)
Samoa:	Suzie Schuster
Tonga :	Suliana Afu, James Panuve (online)

#### **Apologies**

Fiji:	Ben Rova
New Zealand:	David Gerrad, Nick Tan
Samoa:	Kerrie Punivalu
Staff:	Hayden Belshaw

#### 1. OPENING OF THE AGM

- The President, Matthew Dunn, declared the meeting open via video conference.
- Captain Husain Al-Musallam, President of World Aquatics, was welcomed as a guest.
- Appreciation was expressed to Swimming Australia for hosting the 2022 World Short Course Championships.

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# 2. President's address (Captain Husain Al-Musallam)

- Commended Swimming Australia for hosting the championships and expressed hope for world and junior records.
- Congratulated on the new Constitution and logo, emphasizing the unity and progress achieved.
- Recommended the use of "Aquatics" instead of specific disciplines, encouraging inclusivity.
- Continents transitioning to include "Aquatics" in their names (e.g., Europe Aquatics, Pan Am Aquatics).
- Increase in Bureau members based on the new Constitution.
- Emphasized focus on development, ensuring access to learn how to swim for children in all countries.
- Discussed the need for facilities and the "Pools for All" strategy; noted that in addition to the "pools for all", FINA can assist federations to obtain equipment for water polo and swimming via existing sponsorship arrangements.
- Encouraged cooperation between countries, FINA, and other organizations to maximize funding and support; noted the importance of strong partnership between national federations and governments, especially ministries of education and sports; expressed his personal willingness to assist federations in building these relationships.
- In conclusion, he wished everyone good luck in the competitions, good health in 2023, and a Merry Christmas.

# 3. OSA Response

• Matt noted that an OSA Development Committee is being set up to identify a clear strategy within the region; committee will include FINA, Australia, New Zealand, and a core group of representatives from the island federation and will be coordinated by Hayden Belshaw.

# 4. Confirmation of delegate attendance and apologies (see list on page 1)

## 5. Confirmation of Minutes of previous AGM 2020/2021

- Minor changes to the minutes were noted including revision to the list of attendees.
- Liz Wells moved to adopt; Amy LaCost seconded; motion adopted unanimously.

## 6. President's Report

- Highlighted the challenges and achievements amid the pandemic.
- Emphasized the importance of directing funding toward athletes, coaches, and programs.
- Introduced Hayden Belshaw as the Development Coordinator and discussed his role.
- Mentioned plans for aligning programs and funding sources within the region.
- Acknowledged the support received for events and preparations.

## 7. Financial Report

- The Honorary Treasurer presented the financial report (Annex 1)
- Various funding sources were mentioned, including FINA, government grants, and affiliations.
- Outstanding fees and pending costs were discussed.

## 8. Other Business

- Change of name to Oceania Aquatics and a new logo patterned after that of World Aquatics
  - Moved by Steve Johns from New Zealand
    - Seconded by Judy from Palau
  - Motion approved unanimously
- Oceania Championships (Matt Dunn)
  - Matt announced that with the cancellation of the championships in Fiji, we are now looking to get back on schedule with a championship to be held in 2024; specific dates will need to be set in accordance with the FINA calendar, but the intent is to hold this as late as practical in the qualifying period for the Paris Olympics.
- Eligibility criteria for Oceania (Romani Katoa)
  - OSA AGM agreed in Budapest to align eligibility for Oceania competitions to FINA criteria
  - Oceania is the only Continent that has not applied the FINA criteria to Continental championships
  - Requirements for swimmers are passport plus 12 months of residency

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- Based on the Budapest decision, OSA forwarded this to the Pacific Games Council, and it was endorsed for use in Pacific Games 2023 as well as Fukuoka and Doha (all Olympic qualifying events)
- The issue of swimmers competing for multiple federations was raised; it was acknowledged that swimmers must compete under only one national banner.
- Affiliation with Bond University (Australia Gold Coast)
  - Matt advised that discussions are underway between FINA and Bond University about a scholarship program there; this would be similar to arrangements being made in other Continents; discussions are still in progress, so a start date is not yet available.

## 9. Adjournment

• There being no further business, the official meeting was adjourned and was followed by a presentation from FINA Development.

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#### This OSA Financial Statements running report covers the period 2022 STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

#### INCOME

Donor Funds:	FINA Continental Support Funding	AUD 79,751.25	
	NFs Affiliation fees to FINA	AUD 3,671.07	
	OSFO Grant payment 75%	AUD 23,331.83 (75%)	
Other income:	Affiliation Fees	AUD 2,576.43	
TOTAL INCOME		AUD 109,330.58	
LESS EXPENDITURE			
Fixed Costs:	DC Kane Advocatus Lawyers	AUD 3,300.00	
	Deft Insurance Gow Gates Insurance	AUD 1,853.50	
	Affiliation Fee OSFO	AUD 400.00	
	Podium Sports Training Consultant Haydn Belshaw		
	Retainer Fee @ 800.00 per month Jul-Dec 2022	AUD 5,280.00	
	Account Servicing fee Jan-Dec	AUD 120.00	
Activity Costs:	Olympic Continental preparation support USD 5,000		
	Cook Islands	AUD 7,266.39	
	• Fiji	AUD 7,268.50	
	Vanuatu	AUD 7,619.33	
	Tonga	AUD 7,656.09	
	<ul> <li>Marshall Islands</li> </ul>	AUD 6,981.53	
	<ul> <li>FSM accommodation FINA Junior Worlds</li> </ul>	AUD 2,763.21	
	<ul> <li>FSM accommodation FINA Worlds</li> </ul>	AUD 6,150.00	
	Oceania Lunch FINA Worlds Budapest	AUD 5,539.71	
	Coach workshop / Duel of the pool SwimCON22	AUD 26,197.38	
	SAL FINA World SC Championships		
	Melbourne Accommodation	AUD 5,000.00 (FSM as above 6,150.00)	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		AUD 93,395.64	
BANK BALANCE AS OF NOVEMBER 30 2022 AUD 166,377.40			

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