



Athletics Australia

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE
SIXTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

AUGUST 18, 1990

ATHLETICS AUSTRALIA

Minutes of the Sixth Annual Meeting of Athletics Australia held at the Gemini Hotel, 65-71 Belmore Road, Randwick, New South Wales on Saturday, 18th August, 1990 commencing at 9.00am.

1. ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS AND DELEGATES

Officers - President - D.P. Prince
Vice President - D.P. Wilson
Honorary Treasurer - G.T. Briggs, AM, JP
General Manager - N.A. King

Delegates:-

Queensland - R.H. Brandis, J. Acraman
New South Wales - J. Atterton, P. Lucas
Victoria - Dr. B. Hodgson, L. Morgan
Tasmania - K. McNamara, N. Ruddock, AM
South Australia - K. Edwards, B. Stanton
Western Australia - J. Baguley, J. Hancy
Australian Capital Territory - D.P. Wilson, P. Hamilton
Northern Territory - R. Ralph
Aust. Track & Field Coaches Assn. - A.L. Rice
Aust. Athletic Confederation - R. Austin, OAM

Also present: P. Richards, Chairman, NZAA, Minute Secretary - J. Brown

Life Members: C.D. Lee, AM, F. Wrighter, OAM.

Observers: M. Mahony (Director), W. Mason (Tas), G. Mason (Vic), B. Strickland (WA), A. Batchelor (NSW)

2. APOLOGIES M. Robinson MBE, D. Magee, AM, MBE, N. Gould, OAM, BEM, J. Bonwick, OAM, B. Roe and R. de Castella.

3. READING OF NOTICE CONVENING THE MEETING

3.1 The Chairman read the notice convening the meeting.

3.2 The Chairman declared open the Annual General Meeting of Athletics Australia especially welcoming Mr. Peter Richards, Chairman, New Zealand Athletic Association and Mr. Tony Rice, Track & Field Coaches Association to the meeting.

4. OBITUARY

4.1 The Meeting stood as a mark of respect to the following: G. Lovett (Qld), K. Jauncey (Qld), B. Garfoot (Qld), G. McLachlan (Qld), R. Hellier (SA) and G. Theobald (Vic).

5. PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Congratulations to everyone present for your contribution to the sport of Athletics across Australia during the past twelve months.

Athletics Australia has taken many giant steps forward since we last met at the AGM in Melbourne. Several projects were the result of Board decisions. There were other innovations created by our Marketing Company 21st Century Sport and several projects pushed forward by our new General Manager and by myself as your President.

Athletics has progressed internationally to become one of the great high profile sports; a sport that offers competitors a forum to achieve their ultimate; a sport that does financially reward the elite; a sport that attracts large sponsorship; a sport that attracts big crowds, comprehensive media coverage, unique to any of its opposition on the international circuit.

The mandate given to the Board at the previous two AGM's was to specifically plug the gap between the budgeted financial deficit and the break-even point, by finding sponsorship for athletics. I am pleased to report that such a single minded direction was carefully analysed to ensure AA was "market-driven", which resulted in:-

- (i) A market research
- (ii) A Grand Prix Series
- (iii) A colloquium
- (iv) Administration and Management changes
- (v) Sponsorship expansion
- (vi) Competition Squads upgraded
- (vii) Review of AA's involvement with key groups
(ASC, AOC, ACGA, AT & FCA, AIS, etc.)
- (viii) Improved athlete and coach performances
- (ix) Improved media coverage
- (x) AA Task Force - A Marketing Plan

The above represents only a summary in words, however, the achievements have far exceeded the expectations of even our most severe critics, including groups within, and outside, of our sport. The planning, the strain and pain, the doubt, and the determination of the Board, the Administration and the specific groups around Australia who have been party to the above, resembles closely the path taken by any one of our champion athletes. The rewards are obvious to the winners, the projects have no ceiling and they are all ongoing. Each will be reviewed, refined, upgraded and market driven so that Athletics Australia continues to:-

- (a) improve its profile
- (b) increase its participation base
- (c) find more talent and develop it correctly
- (d) develop a model for our sport at national, state and regional levels which is the ultimate structure
- (e) offer athletes, coaches, administrators and officials the support base to succeed
- (f) manage the sports and affairs professionally and profitably
- (g) encourage respect from the community by offering programmes, in proper facilities, that are available for all socio-economic groups

The stability of our organisation will always be measured by the people, the results and our structure. I believe each category has stability. Neil King has lead the management of AA with enormous enthusiasm and in a real professional manner with a fierce determination to succeed. Neil's skills in communication and management have been major reasons in AA achieving such a successful end of year result. The staff who operate the head office have contributed enormously and are to be sincerely thanked for their efforts, often beyond the call of duty.

The financial results will be presented by the Acting Treasurer, Graeme Briggs, and reflect a gain of \$28,000 on the original budget. Our accumulated funds are \$80,000. The injection of funds from major athletic projects was outstanding, (eg sponsorships) with credit going to all those involved with sponsorship, major athletic promotions and the athletes. A note of thanks is extended to Merv Lincoln who was forced to resign in June due to business commitments. Our sincere appreciation however is extended to Graeme Briggs who effectively managed to present the financial statements to the AGM in a most professional manner. It would be wise to maintain Graeme's services in this critical department.

The athletic results reflect great credit on our athletes and coaches. Similarly, the highest accolades should be given to those who made the competitions possible and I refer to Mobil, Australian Sugar Industry, the Drug Offensive, NEC, MBF and a host of other sponsors in all States who support events. Australia was able to field a large team in the track and field competition in Auckland with the achievement of over 80% of our team reaching the finals in the best-ever athletic competition of Games being outstanding. AA is indebted to the Board, the Selectors, the media, sponsors, the public and the key players (Minister and Arbitrator) for ensuring those Australian athletes worthy of representing (in line with our selection criteria) actually competed in Auckland. I also compliment the ACGA for their total acceptance of the final decision. The winner of course was sport and Australia at the 1990 Games.

Last week the Australian Junior Track & Field team excelled themselves at the 3rd World Junior Championships in Bulgaria. I congratulate the athletes, management, coaches and parents who collectively succeeded in achieving another milestone in Australian athletic history. The results and their report should be carefully analysed by everyone because their project was the result of thorough planning and dedication by a very special group of people. AA is extremely proud of the achievements of this talented team. There will be other projects like this one whilst AA encouraged the planning and key people to strive for success.

The critical path to be taken by our athletes and coaches now has to be directed to cover this season's Mobil Grand Prix Series, a short tour of Europe or USA to ensure our assault on the Tokyo World Championships is successful. I am keen to see our four relay squads thoroughly prepared and the Olympic Squad stronger in numbers and standard.

The success of our senior and junior national teams urgently has to be capitalised upon to increase participation at all levels, especially school and club registrations. Each State should create a "campaign" to build on these successes. Increasing "fees" will be less painful for everyone if the numbers competing and contributing are increased. We need an incentive dangled in front of all States and all potential players to swell our ranks.

This report wishes to acknowledge the financial contribution and leadership received from the Australian Sports Commission (ASC). The recent allocation of \$439,000 to our National Development Plan represents a 60% increase over last year's funds. Our sport is open to criticism if we cannot justify by performance, growth and attitude that Athletics Australia is a worthy recipient of such large funding (top 7 in Australia).

We must never lose sight that AA is accountable to the ASC for properly using taxpayers' funds.

"The strong stance adopted by the ASC on the "Drugs in Sport" issue is to be complemented. We have responsible Medical Commission and Drug Policy in AA. I would like to confirm our sport's total support of the IOC, IAAF, ASC, AOC and ACGA policies and request all sections of AA continue their education to eradicate the use of banned substances from our sport. The Australian Sport Drug Agency (ASDA) has the authority to carry out tests at competitions or on a random basis on behalf of all sports."

Coaching has been under the direction of the AT & FCA and greater emphasis has been placed on extending the AIS satellite programmes. Athletics needs more qualified teachers (primary and secondary) and club coaches in more regions to ensure the nursery and talent is correctly prepared in larger numbers than presently. I thank the AT & FCA and its members, especially Tony Rice, for their contribution to athletics. - More coaches (especially females) have to be found and encouraged.

Sponsorships have developed satisfactorily with our marketing company "Twenty First Century Sports" producing funds and support. However, athletics still needs another \$1 million injected across its projects at all levels, to feel financially comfortable. I was very proud to thank Mobil Australia at the Mobil Grand Prix formal Dinner in Melbourne last April for their enormous contribution with the inaugural Mobil Grand Prix Track & Field Australian Series. The co-operation of Mobil's Hassa Mann is especially acknowledged in this report.

We have been very well served by the Australian Sugar Industry over the past 5 years and their wonderful support has seen many remarkable young Australians develop to World Championship standard. I personally express our appreciation to Shane Landon and his staff from CSR and the work carried out by Michels Warren PR Company and John Payne on this sponsorship.

The Drug Offensive Unit undertook a major campaign using athletics as its vehicle with promoter Brian Carmen enthusiastically being given the difficult task of managing and promoting the sponsorships. The financial contribution from the Drug Offensive was a major factor in our athletes succeeding at Auckland. Many areas were not co-ordinated through the AA office and resources were often strained, threatening the achievement of full potential of this sponsorship. I am pleased to report that the end result for the Drug Offensive and athletics was perceived by most to be a successful operation.

The Australian sporting community is totally supportive and responsive to the Drug Offensive's athletics support. Thank you Brian Carmen and Drug Offensive.

Our sport has received sponsorship support this year from Australian Airlines, adidas, NEC, Ken Morgan Toyota, Unisys, Mars, MBF, NSW Government Sports Advisory Committee for which all athletes and the administration express their appreciation.

The media has developed a sense of responsibility in reporting on our sport. We have key people in all sections of the media who are now "good friends" but who have found positive and human interest stories to report upon. I would like to thank Nicole Jeffrey, Bruce McAvaney, Nick Bideau and Mike Hurst who have lead the charge in lifting the profile of athletics in Australia.

The Athletics 'Task Force' is now in position and has the responsibility of producing a marketing plan to review and restructure athletics. I am encouraged that in every State and in every segment of our sport the need for change has been endorsed. Essentially our plan is to have broad-minded innovative people who can impress all levels in our community and execute a carefully constructed plan. This should unite all groups and reap rewards for many more young Australians at (i) participation level, (ii) the development and (iii) talent level, and within (iv) the elite groups. I thank John Payne for co-ordinating the 'Athletics Task Force' so successfully.

Finally this report concludes after a most eventful year that has projected Athletics Australia to a creditable position nationally. For this I sincerely thank the Board Members, our General Manager, the administration staff, all the athletic Commissions and State Associations but more important than all I thank the athletes of Australia. Let's progress our sport to greater heights during the next year.

- 5.1 Resolved that the Report of the President be accepted.
6. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 5TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
- 6.1 Resolved that the Minutes of the previous Meeting be taken as a true and correct record.
7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 5TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
- 7.1 Minute 16.5 Change in Structure of Governing Body of Athletics Australia
- 7.1.1 The President informed the Meeting that this matter was progressing and it was resolved to place it on the Agenda for the 1991 Annual General Meeting.
8. ELECTION OF OFFICERS, COMMITTEES, LIFE MEMBERS AND MERIT AWARDS
- 8.1 It was resolved that Tony Rice would be Returning Officer for the elections and that Clive Lee would act as scrutineer.

8.2 Board of Directors - 2 men and 2 women to be elected

Nominations were received for Reginald H. Brandis (Qld), Daryl P. Cross (Qld), Joan M. Cross (Qld), Kathy Edwards (SA), Kirsteen Farrance (Vic), Margaret Mahony (Vic), Betty Moore (NSW), Lorraine Morgan (Vic), Brian Roe (Tas), Barry Stanton (SA), John F. Treloar (NSW).

8.2.1 A ballot resulted in the following persons being elected to the Board of Management: Mrs. M.L. Mahony (Vic), Ms. K. Edwards (SA), Messrs. R. Brandis (Qld) and B. Roe (Tas).

8.2.2 Nominations were called for the position of Vice President from amongst the Board Members and Mr. Denis Wilson was duly appointed Vice President.

8.3 Honorary Treasurer:

Nominations were received for Graeme T. Briggs (Tas) and Joan M. Cross (Qld)

8.3.1 A ballot resulted in Graeme T. Briggs (Tas) being elected to the position of Treasurer.

8.4 Honorary Statistician:

8.4.1 Paul Jenés (Vic) was appointed unopposed to the office of Honorary Statistician

8.5 Constitution Committee: (3 members, all from the same State)

Michael J. Macdermott (Qld), Raymond B. Macdermott (Qld) and Paul O'Brien (Qld) were appointed unopposed to the Constitution Committee.

8.5.1 Mr. Paul O'Brien was appointed Convenor.

8.6 Officials Committee: (8 members, one member from each Association.)

Joyce Bonwick (Qld), Jennie Duffield (NT), Joan Hines (Vic), Brenda Pearl (SA), William G. Tempest (WA), Chris Wilson (Tas), Denis Wilson (ACT), Florence E. Wrighter (NSW) were appointed unopposed to the Officials Committee.

8.6.1 Florence E. Wrighter (NSW) was appointed Convenor

8.6.2 Executive of Officials: (3 to be elected)

Brenda Pearl (SA), Denis Wilson (ACT), Florence E. Wrighter (NSW) were appointed unopposed to the Executive of the Officials Committee

8.7 Records Committee: 3 members, all from the same State

Ronda Jenkins (Vic), Michael J. McLaughlin (Vic), Graeme R. Nicholls (Vic), were appointed unopposed to the Records Committee

8.7.1 Ronda Jenkins was appointed Convenor.

- 8.8 Selection Committee - Track & Field (1 to be elected) -
Nominations were received for Graham Boase (SA), Daryl P. Cross (Qld), Peter Hamilton (ACT), Paul Jenes (Vic), Roy McFadden (SA)
- 8.8.1 A ballot resulted in Peter Hamilton (ACT) being elected to the Selection Committee - Track & Field
- 8.8.2 Brian Roe (Tas) was appointed Chairman.
- 8.9 Selection Committee - Cross Country, Road Running & Road Walks (1 to be elected)
Nominations were received for Roy McFadden (SA), Des Paul (SA), Brian Roe (Tas)
- 8.9.1 A ballot resulted in Brian Roe (Tas) being elected.
- 8.9.2 Brian Roe (Tas) was appointed Chairman.
- 8.10 Technical Committee 3 members
Nominations were received for Donald Dohnt (SA), Ian Galbraith (ACT), Frederick W. Napier (WA), Duncan McL. Proudfoot (Vic),
- 8.10.1 A ballot resulted in the following being elected: Ian Galbraith (ACT), Frederick W. Napier (WA), Duncan McL. Proudfoot (Vic).
- 8.10.2 Ian Galbraith (ACT) was appointed Convenor.
- 8.11 Walking Committee 3 members
Roy McFadden (SA), Ron Miller (Vic), Marion Patterson (Vic), Harry Summers (Vic), Peter Waddell (ACT),
- 8.11.1 A ballot resulted in the election of the following: Roy McFadden (SA), Harry Summers (Vic), Peter Waddell (ACT).
- 8.11.2 Peter Waddell (ACT) was appointed Convenor.
- 8.12 Women's Committee 3 members (at least 2 women)
Nomination received for Margaret Koenen (ACT).
- 8.12.1 Resolved to appoint Margaret Koenen (ACT) and that the Board of Directors of Athletics Australia appoint people to fill the other two vacancies.
- 8.13 Merit Award Not more than two per year
Nominations were received for Eileen D. Murphy (Qld) and William G. Tempest (WA)
- 8.13.1 A ballot was held and the Meeting resolved that Eileen D. Murphy (Qld) and William G. Tempest (WA) should receive the Merit Award.

8.14 Life Membership

Nomination received for Graeme T. Briggs (Tas)

8.14.1 A ballot was held and the Meeting resolved that Life Membership would be bestowed on Graeme T. Briggs (Tas).

8.14.2 The President presented Mr. Briggs with the Life Membership Badge and Mr. Briggs duly responded.

9. Report of the Board of Directors

9.1 Moved R. Brandis (Qld), seconded K. Edwards (SA) that the report of the Board of Directors for year 1990 be adopted.

The motion was carried.

10. Report of the Treasurer

10.1 The Chairman advised the Meeting that the Treasurer, Dr. Merv. Lincoln had resigned in June and thanked Mr. Briggs for taking on the very difficult task of finalising the Financial Statements for presentation to the Meeting.

10.2 Moved G. Briggs, seconded Dr. B. Hodgson (Vic) that the Report of the Treasurer and Statement of Directors for the year ended 31st March, 1990 be received.

The motion was carried.

10.3 The Treasurer advised the Meeting of several amendments to the Statements as presented which were made by the Board of Directors on 17th August, 1990. All delegates accepted these amendments.

10.4 Moved G. Briggs, seconded D. Wilson (ACT) that the Budget 1991 be approved.

The motion was carried.

10.5 Moved P. Lucas (NSW), seconded D. Wilson (ACT) that the thanks of the Meeting be recorded to Mr. Briggs and Mrs. Brown for their work in submitting the Financial Statements to the Meeting.

The motion was carried.

11. Report of the General Manager

11.1 Moved P. Hamilton (ACT), seconded K. Edwards (SA) that the Report of the General Manager be received.

The motion was carried.

12. Report of the National Coach

12.1 Moved N. Ruddock (Tas), seconded J. Baguley (WA) that the Report of the National Coach be received.

The motion was carried.

13. Reports of Standing Committees

- 13.1 Moved D. Wilson (ACT), seconded J. Hancy (WA) that the Reports of Standing Committees as submitted be received.

The motion was carried.

14. Reports of Associations

- 14.1 Moved P. Hamilton (ACT), seconded K. McNamara (Tas) that the Reports of Associations as submitted be received.

The motion was carried.

15. MOTIONS UPON NOTICE

- 15.1 Moved by the Secretary, seconded J. Baguley (WA) that By Law 30(5) be deleted and replaced by the following:

"(5) UNDER AGE ELIGIBILITY

For the purpose of underage championships an athlete shall be under the relevant age on 31st December in the year of competition."

- 15.1.1 An amendment was put R. Brandis (Qld), seconded J. Acraman (Qld) that the words "except for Australian All Schools Championships be added after the word "competition".

The amendment was withdrawn.

The motion was lost.

- 15.2 Moved by the Secretary, seconded D. Wilson (ACT) that the first sentence of By Law 31(2) be deleted and replaced by the following:

"Australian under age records shall be recognised for such events as the Union in general meeting shall from time to time determine. In order to be recognised performances must have been registered by athletes who shall be under the relevant age on 31st December in the year of performance".

The motion was withdrawn.

- 15.3 Moved by the Secretary, seconded D. Wilson (ACT) that Rule 15.4 be amended by the deleting the first sentence and replacing with the words "Except for the Men's and Women's Marathon Championships, no Australian Road Running Championships shall be conducted unless at least two (2) Associations enter a team".

The Rule would then read:

"Rule 15.4 Except for the Men's and Women's Marathon Championships, no Australian Road Running Championships shall be conducted unless at least two (2) Associations enter a team. In the event of insufficient teams being nominated for either event the Host Association shall notify the Secretary and all other Member Associations of the cancellation of the Championships event not later than two (2) days after the closing date for entries."

The motion was carried.

- 15.4 Moved by the Secretary, seconded D. Wilson (ACT) that Rule 15.9 be amended by deleting the words "Half Marathon Championships" wherever occurring and replace with the words "other Road Running Championships".

The Rule would then read:

"Rule 15.9 Special Provisions - Other Road Running Championships

R15.9.1 The Union may allocate responsibility for the conduct of other Road Running Championships to a responsible body on application."

The motion was carried.

- 15.5 Moved by the Secretary, seconded D. Wilson (ACT) that new Rule 15.10 be inserted as follows:

"Rule 15.10 Only one other Men's Road Running Championship and one other Women's Road Running Championship in addition to the Men's Marathon Championships, Women's Marathon Championships, Men's Team Road Relay and Women's Team Road Relay shall be conducted in any calendar year. The decision as to which distance shall be made by the Board after consultation with the Member Associations or other body to which its conduct has been allocated and the Distance Running Commission."

An amendment was put Dr. B. Hodgson (Vic), seconded L. Morgan (Vic) that the words "Men's Team Road Relay and Women's Team Road Relay and insert the word "and" before "Women's Marathon Championships".

The amendment was carried.

- 15.5.1 The motion then read:

"Rule 15.10 Only one other Men's Road Running Championship and one other Women's Road Running Championship in addition to the Men's Marathon Championships and Women's Marathon Championships shall be conducted in any calendar year. The decision as to which distance shall be made by the Board after consultation with the Member Associations or other body to which its conduct has been allocated and the Distance Running Commission."

The motion as amended was carried.

- 15.6 Moved by the Secretary, seconded P. Hamilton (ACT) that Rule 15 be amended by the addition of the words "Championships specified in Table 15A" immediately before Rule 15.1.

The Rule would then read:

"Rule 15 Road Running Championships
Championships specified in Table 15A"

The motion was carried.

- 15.7 Moved by the Secretary, seconded D. Wilson (ACT) that existing Table 15 be renumbered 15A.

The motion was carried.

- 15.8 Moved by the D. Wilson (ACT), seconded K. Edwards (SA) that immediately following renumbered Table 15A the following Rules be added:

"Teams Road Relay Championships

Rule 15.11 A Men's and Women's Team Road Relay Championships shall be conducted over a distance of 42.195km. Each team shall comprise the number of athletes listed in Table 15B. The number and distance of the legs shall be as listed in Table 15B. In circumstances where it is deemed appropriate the Technical Delegate may alter the order in which the legs are to be run.

Rule 15.12 Each Association may be represented by only one team in each event. Additional teams approved by the Union may be entered and take part and shall be eligible for all awards except placings in the Championships.

Rule 15.13 Rules 15.5, 15.6, 15.7 and 15.9 shall apply to this Championship.

Table 15B Teams Road Relay Championships

	No. In Team	Order & Distance of Leg
Men	5	10k, 5k, 10k, 12.195k, 5k
Women	6	10k, 5k, 10k, 5k, 7.195k, 5k"

The motion was lost.

- 15.9 Moved by the Secretary, seconded K. Edwards (SA) that By Law 31 be amended by adding the words "and Indoor Records" to the heading and adding the following after By Law 31(4):

(5) Australian Indoor Records shall be recognised for all events which are for the time being included on the list of events for which World Indoor Records are recognised.

(6) Australian Indoor Records shall be maintained in the class of Australian National Records only, in accordance with By Law 31(3)(b). No Australian Indoor Records shall be maintained for under age categories."

The motion was carried.

15.10 Moved by the Secretary, seconded B. Stanton (SA) that Rule 17 be amended by adding the following:

"R17.12 With the following exceptions the remainder of R17 will apply also for Australian Indoor Records.

R17.12.1 The Record must have been made in a stadium which complies with IAAF Rule 237. For races of 200m and over, the oval track may not have a length of more than 220 yards.

R17.12.2 In a combined events competition the conditions imposed for recognising records in individual events must have been complied with in each of the events."

The motion was carried.

15.11 Moved by the Secretary, seconded by D. Wilson (ACT) that By Law 5(4) be deleted and the following added to By Law 6:

"(7) A Walking Commission of up to three (3) members whose duties shall be to advise the Board on any matters relating to walking and in particular:

(a) to recommend the events to be recognised as Australian Walk Championships

(b) to recommend Walk Judges Gradings to the Officials Committee and appointments to the IAAF Panel of Walk Judges

(c) To institute training schemes for walk judges and ensure that there is an annual seminar on the coaching of walkers.

(d) to organise an annual Australian Road Walking Calendar Conference and to prepare, maintain and monitor the calendar

(e) to prepare maintain and monitor the manual, rules and regulations of Australian Road Walking Championships

(f) in conjunction with the appointed Technical Delegate and General Manager oversee the conduct of all Australian Road Walking Championships, ensuring that the arrangements made by the organising committee are appropriate and comply with the Championships manual, rules and regulations.

(g) recommend the appointment of technical delegates to the Board

(h) in conjunction with the organising committee, recommend the date and timetable for each championships meeting"

The motion was lost.

15.11.1 Resolved to commit this matter to the 1991 Annual General Meeting.

- 15.12 Moved by the Secretary, seconded P. Hamilton (ACT) that all words in By Law 6(4) after the first sentence be deleted and the following added to By Law 6:

"(8) A Doping Control Commission of up to three (3) members, one of whom should be a member of the Scientific and Medical Commission. Its duties shall be as set out in By Law 38."

The motion was carried.

- 15.13 Moved by the Secretary, seconded J. Baguley (WA) that the following words be added to By Law 38:

"(4) The Doping Control Commission shall:

- (a) make arrangements for all appropriate and/or necessary doping controls and ensure the application and enforcement of all IAAF and Athletics Australia rules concerning doping
- (b) determine the competitions in respect of which doping controls will be effected
- (c) make arrangements for random competition and out of competition testing in accordance with IAAF and AA rules
- (d) make recommendations to the Board concerning doping education and awareness programmes, and any other matter relating to doping
- (e) refer for proper hearing all infringements of AA and IAAF doping rules to the appropriate tribunal
- (f) present to the Board for approval budgets for the doping control programme for the ensuing financial year
- (g) appoint doping committees in accordance with IAAF Rules for all meetings at which controls are to be effected
- (h) liaise with the Australian Sports Drug Agency, the Australian Sports Commission, the Australian Olympic Federation and the Australian Commonwealth Games Association generally in relation to doping matters, and specifically as necessary to effect the duties of the Commission."

The motion was carried.

- 15.14 Moved by the Secretary, seconded B. Stanton (SA) that By Law 5(3) be deleted.

The motion was carried.

- 15.15 Moved by the Secretary, seconded P. Hamilton (ACT) that Rule 10.11 be amended by deleting the last sentence and replacing with the words "The Standards shall be determined by the Track and Field Commission".

The Rule would then read:

Rule 10.11 "An athlete may enter a Championships event provided that he or she has reached the prescribed standard in the event concerned within a period of six months or in the case of the 10,000 metres, decathlon or heptathlon in the period of eighteen months prior to the closing date for the Championships. The standards shall be determined by the Track and Field Commission."

The motion was carried.

- 15.16 Moved by the Secretary, seconded R. Ralph (NT) that Rule 11.4 be amended by deleting the last sentence and replacing with the words "The Standards shall be determined by the Track and Field Commission".

The Rule would then read:

Rule 11.4 "Each Member Association shall be entitled to nominate two (2) competitors, together with emergencies, in each event. An Association may enter additional competitors provided all competitors (including the first two (2) competitors) have reached the prescribed standard in the event concerned within the period of three months or in the case of the heptathlon or decathlon in the period of eighteen months prior to the closing date of the Championships. The standards shall be determined by the Track and Field Commission."

The motion was carried.

- 15.17 Moved by the Secretary, seconded K. Edwards (SA) that By Law 6(6) be deleted and replaced with the following:

By Law 6(6) "A Track and Field Commission of up to six (6) members whose duties shall be to advise the Board on any matters relating to track and field and in particular:

(a) to prepare, maintain and monitor the manual, rules and regulations of Australian Track and Field Championships

(b) to organise an annual Australian Track and Field Calendar Conference and to prepare, maintain and monitor the calendar

(c) to establish the principles for, and set the standards for all Australian Championships

(d) in conjunction with the appointed Technical Delegate and the General Manager, oversee the conduct of all Australian Track and Field Championships, ensuring that the arrangements made by the appointed organising committee are appropriate and comply with the Championships manual, rules and regulations

(e) recommend the appointment of technical delegates to the Board

(f) in conjunction with the organising committee, recommend the dates and timetable for each championship meeting."

- 15.17.1 An amendment was put by D. Wilson (ACT), seconded N. Ruddock (Tas) that the words "of up to six (6) members whose duties" be deleted and the words "the duties of whose members" be inserted after the word "Commission" in the second line.

The amendment was carried.

- 15.17.2 The motion would then read:

By Law 6(6) "A Track and Field Commission the duties of whose members shall be to advise the Board on any matters relating to track and field and in particular:

- (a) to prepare, maintain and monitor the manual, rules and regulations of Australian Track and Field Championships
- (b) to organise an annual Australian Track and Field Calendar Conference and to prepare, maintain and monitor the calendar
- (c) to establish the principles for, and set the standards for all Australian Championships
- (d) in conjunction with the appointed Technical Delegate and the General Manager, oversee the conduct of all Australian Track and Field Championships, ensuring that the arrangements made by the appointed organising committee are appropriate and comply with the Championships manual, rules and regulations
- (e) recommend the appointment of technical delegates to the Board
- (f) in conjunction with the organising committee, recommend the dates and timetable for each championship meeting."

The motion as amended was carried.

- 15.17.3 Moved P. Hamilton (ACT), seconded Dr. B. Hodgson (Vic) that points 1(a) and (b) of paper submitted by P. Hamilton (ACT) be recommended to the Board for inclusion in By Law 6(6)

The motion was carried.

- 15.18 Moved by the Secretary, seconded D. Wilson (ACT) that By Law 6(2) be amended by the deletion of the full stop and the addition of the following:

"...and in particular:

- (a) to organise an annual Australian Distance Running Calendar Conference and to prepare, maintain and monitor the calendar
- (b) to prepare, maintain and monitor the manual rules and regulations of Australian Cross Country and Road Running Championships
- (c) in conjunction with the appointed Technical Delegate and the General Manager, oversee the conduct of all Australian Cross Country and Road Running Championships, ensuring that the arrangements made by the appointed organising committee are appropriate and comply with the Championships manual, rules and regulations
- (d) recommend the appointment of technical delegates to the Board
- (e) in conjunction with the organising committee, recommend the dates and timetable for each championships meeting."

- 15.18.1 An amendment was put D. Wilson (ACT), seconded P. Hamilton (ACT) that the words "if necessary" be inserted in paragraph (a) after the word "organise".

The amendment was carried.

15.18.2 The motion would then read:

"...and in particular:

(a) to organise if necessary an annual Australian Distance Running Calendar Conference and to prepare, maintain and monitor the calendar

(b) to prepare, maintain and monitor the manual rules and regulations of Australian Cross Country and Road Running Championships

(c) in conjunction with the appointed Technical Delegate and the General Manager, oversee the conduct of all Australian Cross Country and Road Running Championships, ensuring that the arrangements made by the appointed organising committee are appropriate and comply with the Championships manual, rules and regulations

(d) recommend the appointment of technical delegates to the Board

(e) in conjunction with the organising committee, recommend the dates and timetable for each championships meeting."

The motion as amended was carried.

15.19 Moved Dr. B. Hodgson (Vic), seconded L. Morgan (Vic) that new Rule 5.4 be adopted as follows:

Rule 5.4 In fixing the date for the Cross Country Championships preference be given to the last week of August or the first week of September.

The motion was carried.

15.20 Moved Dr. B. Hodgson (Vic), seconded L. Morgan (Vic) that new Rule 5.5 be adopted as follows:

Rule 5.5 In fixing the date for the Schools Cross Country Championships preference be given to a date in the period from the end of school term 3 to the beginning of term 4.

The motion was withdrawn.

15.21 Moved Dr. B. Hodgson (Vic), seconded L. Morgan (Vic) that this meeting recommend to the Constitution Committee that in drawing up the new rules for membership of the Board of Management an amendment to Article 37 be incorporated:

Article 37 Each of the Directors shall be a voting member, but not a paid employee, of a company, incorporated association or other body corporate or an unincorporated association or body which is during all such times as the Director remains in office, a member of the Union.

The motion was lost.

16.0 General Business:

16.1 Confirmation of dates and venues of Australian Championships.

16.1.1 Moved P. Hamilton (ACT), seconded D. Wilson (ACT) that the following dates and venues be confirmed:

1990 Australian All Schools T & F Championships - Hobart, 7-9 December

Hobart Relays (Inc. Aust. Open & U20 4x100 & 4x400) 6-7 January, 1991

1991 Open & U20 Australian T & F Championships & U16 & U18

Australian Multi Event Championships - Sydney, 22-24

February

1991 U16 & U18 Australian T & F Championships & Open & U20 Multi Event Championships - Perth, 22-24 March

1991 Australian Marathon Championships - July 21 Gold Coast

1992 Australian Marathon Championships - July 19 Gold Coast

1993 Australian Marathon Championships - July 18 Gold Coast

1991 Australian Cross Country Championships - August 25, Canberra

1992 Australian Cross Country Championships - August 30 TBA

1993 Australian Cross Country Championships - August 29 TBA

The motion was carried.

16.2 The Chairman spoke briefly to the Meeting re various activities of the Task Force to date.

16.3 N. Ruddock (Tas) expressed a concern re correct uniforms being worn at Australian Championships.

16.4 C.D. Lee spoke to the Meeting re the activities of the Oceania AAA.

16.5 Peter Richards, Chairman of NZAA spoke to the Meeting re athletics in New Zealand stating that it appeared that New Zealand and Australia had many of the same problems.

16.6 K. Edwards and T. Rice reported to the Meeting on the recent World Junior T & F Championships Team and both were extended the congratulations of the Meeting on the success of that team.

The meeting closed at 1.15pm