

MINUTES OF 78th BWF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

21 May 2017 – Gold Coast, Australia



MINUTES ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held at The Star Gold Coast, Australia at 1000 hours on 20 May 2017

Represented by - 130 countries with 262 votes. *

AFRICA (21 countries)

Algeria, Benin, Botswana, Burundi, Cameroon, Congo Kinshasa, Egypt, Ethiopia, Ghana, Ivory Coast, Lesotho, Madagascar, Mauritius, Morocco, Nigeria, Seychelles Island, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

ASIA (34 countries)

Bahrain, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, China, Chinese Taipei, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Korea, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lebanon, Macau, Malaysia, Maldives, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Palestine, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Syria, Thailand, Turkmenistan, UAE, Uzbekistan, Vietnam

EUROPE (42 countries)

Albania, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, England, Estonia, Faroe Island, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Greenland, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Macedonia, Moldova, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Romania, Russia, Scotland, Serbia, Slovak, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine, Wales.

PAN AMERICA (23 countries)

Argentina, Aruba, Barbados, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Colombia, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Falkland Islands, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Mexico, Panama, St Lucia, Surinam, Uruguay, USA.

OCEANIA (10 countries)

Australia, Cook Islands, Fiji, Guam, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Tahiti, Tonga, Tuvalu.

* The total number of countries and votes after final sign-in later in the meeting.

PRESIDENT

Poul-Erik Høyer

VICE PRESIDENTS

Anton Subowo, Dagmawit Girmay Berhane, Geraldine Brown, Gregory Verpoorten, Paul Kurzo, Vishu Tolan

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Chipu Zumburani, David Cabello, Etienne Thobois, Jassem Kanso, Lim Teong Kiat, Mehdi Karbasian, Ng Yoke Weng, Nigel Skelt, Nora Perry, Peter Tarcala, Raj Gaya, Ranjit De Silva, Wayne Somers

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Brian Agerbak and Jimmy Andersen (Badminton Europe), Julie Carrel and Lynne Nixey (Badminton Oceania), Pilar Carrillo and German Valdez (Badminton Pan Am), Kenny Goh, Thana Arikrishnan and Chooi Weng Sheng (Badminton Asia).

Apologies

Council Members – Gustavo Salazar, Li Lingwei, Sergey Shakhray and Yuhan Tan

Hon. Life Vice Presidents – Sir Craig Reedie, Mme Lu Shengrong, Charoen Wattanasin, Tom Bacher, Stellan Mohlin, Jeffrey Robson, Dr. Kang Young Joong.

Observers

Twenty-eight observers registered their attendance.

1. PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1.1 President's Remarks

Poul-Erik Høyer said that it was an honour to welcome delegates to the Gold Coast, for the 78th Annual General Meeting.

He thanked Badminton Australia, Queensland Tourism and the City of Gold Coast for their hospitality and the hosting of the **TOTAL BWF Sudirman Cup** which would start the next day.

He wished all the participating teams a good tournament and looked forward to an inspiring week of competition.

He added that this day was an important day for the BWF membership as it marked the end of the four-year term of the current Council. That said, it was an opportunity for the membership to evaluate the performance of the Council and elect the leadership team for the next four years towards Tokyo 2020.

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He thanked the current Council members for their great contributions and commitment over the last four years.

He was deeply saddened by the sudden passing of Dr. Akhilesh Das Gupta in the previous month. He paid tribute to Dr Gupta who was an important part of the badminton family and he asked the delegates to stand for a moment of silence to remember him.

Continuing with his opening remarks, Poul-Erik Høyer said that a new Council would be formed at the end of the meeting.

He acknowledged and thanked four long serving Council members who would not be contesting for another term.

- Mehdi Karbasian who was elected to the Council in 2003 and had served the BWF for 14 years.
- Raj Gaya who was elected to the Council in 1999 and had served the BWF for 18 years.
- Ranjit De Silva who was first elected to the Council in 1996 and later again in 2009 and had served the BWF for 10 years.
- Li Lingwei, fellow IOC member who was elected to the Council in 2009 and had served the BWF for 8 years.

Poul-Erik Høyer highlighted the following key achievements of the Council since 2013:

1. BWF was in a much stronger financial situation which allowed for further investments in the development of badminton.
2. BWF had established a much stronger Superseries brand with a larger global broadcast reach.
3. A new “world tour” structure for 2018 – 2025 would be launched and this would form a strong commercial base for the future.
4. The BWF had a very successful Olympic Games in Rio, which had further increased the recognition of badminton worldwide.
5. BWF had been well represented in the IOC by Dagmawit Girmay Berhane, Li Lingwei besides himself and BWF was considered a leader in the area of sports governances and it had been rated very highly for its good governance practices.
6. The BWF development initiatives, particularly Shuttle Time had been an important tool for grass roots development globally in more than 100 Member Associations.

The President thanked the Council, membership and the Continental Confederations who had played a vital role in developing and promoting the sport globally, from grassroots to the elite level.

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He also acknowledged and thanked the hosts of BWF major events in 2016;

- The Chinese Badminton Federation for the hosting of the TOTAL BWF Thomas & Uber Cup Finals in Kunshan in May.
- The Spanish Badminton Federation for hosting the IBERDROLA BWF World Junior Championships in Bilbao in November.
- The Dubai Sports Council and Falcon and Associates for the World Superseries Finals in Dubai

Finally, he acknowledged the BWF commercial and media partners – MetLife and TOTAL in particular and Yonex, Li-Ning, Cherry Cars, Redbull, ESG, IMG and Infront Sports and Media which came on board as the media and sponsorship partner for BWF events from 2017 – 2025.

Going forward, he said one of the key focus for the next four years would be digital communications which would open new communication channels to engage better with the existing fans on and off the court but to open possibilities to new fans and audiences, especially with the younger generation.

With the inclusion of Para-badminton into the Paralympic Games, Tokyo 2020 would inevitably be another key focus for the next four years.

1.1.1 Report from the Secretariat

- Thomas Lund reported that in the last four years, the BWF secretariat had expanded its workforce significantly to service the membership and the events and commercial side of the sport. With the current workforce of 30 people, there was a challenge in terms of office space.

The Secretariat has now secured a new office space in a brand-new building in another location within the city centre. The new office which was currently being fitted out would have the capacity for expanding the BWF workforce and to host a range of meetings. It was expected to be ready for operations by the end of June.

The membership would be informed on the date of the move.

- Thomas Lund added that a range of digital platforms had been developed and were now operational. The different platforms provided tournament information like live scores, results, player information for fans, news and corporate information like Shuttle Time and coaching materials.

1.2 Appointment of Scrutineers

Poul-Erik Høyer said that two teams of scrutineers would be proposed, one for the election process and the other for other proposals on the agenda.

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Thomas Lund added that the two scrutineers team consisted of 12 persons who would be overseeing the voting procedures. There were;

- **Team 1**

- Monica Paul
- Moira Lassen
- Alistair Glass
- Sally Heading
- Bridget Kimber
- Taylor Flatman-Bateman
- Ian Wright
- Sharon Chan

- **Team 2**

- Brian Pollard
- Adele Finch
- Thomas Delaye- Fortin

- It was proposed that Torsten Berg would be the Chief Scrutineer who would oversee the whole procedures including the election process and the proposal.

- The AGM was asked to accept and approve the list of scrutineers.

➤ **There being no objections, the proposed panel list of scrutineers was approved by the AGM.**

1.3 ROLL CALL

- Thomas Lund reported that at the close of registration at 10.00am, a quorum was met with a representation of 126 Member Associations (MAs) with a total of 258 votes.

He added that decisions would be taken based on actual votes cast and would be announced in connection with each proposal.

2. MINUTES

- 2.1 To confirm the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Saturday 21 May 2016 (Annexure A).

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There being no objections or abstentions to the minutes which were adopted unanimously.

3. COUNCIL REPORT

3.1 To receive the Report of Council and its Committees, and other reports for the year ending 31 December 2016.

3.1.1 Events Committee – Chair Peter Tarcala reported;

Key highlights of activities and progress;

- 2016 had been a historical year in many aspects particularly for four major events;

- **The TOTAL BWF Thomas & Uber Cup Finals** in Kunshan, China saw the first ever win for Denmark (and Europe) in the Thomas Cup and a record 14th victory for China in the Uber Cup.

The event featured a new hybrid qualification system for the first time with teams qualifying from Continental Championships and women's team tournaments and the world rankings.

High level venue with good quality sport and television production using two kinds of ultra-motion cameras, jimmy job camera and Hawkeye tracking system to deliver statistics and smash speeds and good use of light projection and show lighting during the event.

Appreciation was recorded to the Chinese Badminton Association and the city of Kunshan for the great hosting of the event which also saw the successful implementation of a complex commercial partnerships.

- The stunning **Rio 2016 Olympic Games** where for the first time, nine different nations won medals in badminton at the Games in one game and the first ever gold medal for Spain and Japan. There was very good spectator numbers and some were from non-badminton playing nations in the region and badminton had the biggest ever global television audience.

The television audience included the top ten most watched events from the Games in China and the highest watched event in India – with Purnima V. Sindhu against Carolina Marin in the finals of the women's singles.

There were some new innovations for badminton with the first 'moving heads' player profile graphics, the first use of 'venue radio' for spectators and the first ever use of a 'tower cam' in the television production.

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- The **IBERDROLA BWF World Junior Championships** in Bilbao registered a record 52 Member Associations representing all five Continental Confederations entered in the Suhandinata Cup and another record of 60 Member Associations represented in the individual championships.

Travel grants totaling US\$155,000 were made available to 37 teams traveling to the tournament.

A relay team scoring system experiment was also carried out during the team championships.

The Suhandinata Cup was won by China.

Appreciation was recorded to Badminton Spain for the successful hosting of the event.

- The **Dubai World Super Series Finals** saw the emergence of new champions. The event provided a tremendous player experience and top-quality badminton competition and television production. In addition, prize money across the 12-tournament series totaled \$6.4 million and another \$1 million for the Final.
- The **BWF Grand Prix Gold Series** with a total prize money of \$1.8 million from 14 tournaments and \$3.85 million from 7 Grand-Prix tournaments.
- In 2016, a review of the General Competition Regulations was completed for implementation in January 2018 and the planning and recruitment of a semi-professional Technical Officials workforce was underway.

More appraisals and workshop for Technical Officials were held periodically for Referees, Umpires and Line Judges. Eight Referees and 17 Umpires were upgraded to the BWF level.

Giles Cavert from France was appointed as the Technical Official Chair replacing Torsten Berg.

There were no questions to the report of the Events Committee.

3.1.2 Athletes Commission – Deputy Chair Koen Ridder reported;

- In the last year, the Athletes Commission had two meetings, one in Dubai and another in Tokyo. The meetings saw active participation from the athletes who were getting more vocal in coming forward with their input.
- An Athletes' Forum was held in Kunshan and it was attended by 150 athletes besides President Poul-Erik Høyer and Thomas Lund. The forum



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presented an opportunity for the athletes to have open dialogues with the BWF. More similar forums would be planned in the coming year.

- It was a proud moment for the BWF when Saina Nehwal was elected to the IOC Athletes Commission which means she will also be a member of the BWF Athletes' Commission.
 - Yuhan Tan was appointed as an "i am badminton" Integrity Ambassador and the AC would continue to be a strong advocate for the BWF's fight against doping and match-fixing.
 - The Athletes' Commission had been working closely with the BWF on the review of the GCR and it was hoped that the revised GCR would be easy for the athletes to understand.
 - The key objective of the Athletes Commission is to continue to improve the communication channel between the BWF and the athletes.
 - The AC elections would be held in the following week and MAs were urged to encourage their players to vote for 4 athletes who would become part of the AC. In the week following, the newly elected Athletes Commission would meet to appoint the Chair which would represent the Athletes Commission in the BWF Council.
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3.1.3 Para-Badminton Committee – Chair Paul Kurzo reported;

Key highlights of activities and progress;

- 2016 was a very productive year with significant outcome for Para-Badminton.
- The key focus of the committee was;
 - To promote Para-Badminton and to provide advice on the integration of Para-Badminton at all levels.
 - To review and recommend changes to regulations and laws.
 - To monitor planning and delivery of Para-badminton competitions and the calendar of event.
- In early 2017, Para-Badminton was fully integrated into the BWF Events and Development Departments with two full time staff working on Para-Badminton.
- Para-Badminton Continental Championships were successfully held in Asia, Europe and Pan Am with increased participation numbers across all three events.
 - Asia – Beijing, China – 143 athletes from 11 countries participated in 22 events and a total of 9 countries reached the podium.

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- Europe – Beek, Netherlands – 143 athletes from 19 countries participated in 21 events and 17 countries won medals.
- Pan Am – Medellin, Colombia – 52 athletes from 9 countries participated in 12 events and 9 countries took home medals.
- BWF also introduced the “i am badminton campaign” at all Continental Para-Badminton Championships in 2016 as part of the effort to promote and educate athletes on the importance of clean and honest sport.
- Four international sanctioned Para-Badminton competitions were successfully held in Turkey, Ireland, Indonesia and Colombia.
- Para-Badminton had seen an increase in its popularity and participation. More than 114 new athletes were classified in 2016 and out of which more than 75% were male athletes. This meant that the game would need to be promoted more actively to female athletes.
- More teams were traveling to tournaments across continents and where increased level of play were demonstrated. This was a result of the development of Para-Badminton.
- In 2016, there were a range of focuses for development and player and coach development projects were successfully conducted in France, USA, Australia, UAE, Egypt and Colombia.
- The 2nd BEC Para-Badminton Education Course was delivered during the European Para-Badminton Championships in Beek, the Netherlands.
- The BWF was also working in partnerships with UNOSDP (United Nations o Sport for Development and Peace) to develop Shuttle Time project in nine countries in Africa. This was a fully inclusive project.
- The research project for an evidence based classification system in Para-Badminton continued in 2016. Phase 2 of a 3-year research project into the classification system was conducted in Paris in March 2016 led by Dr. Hanno Felder. The final phase would be conducted in April in Kuala Lumpur.
- The BWF was currently developing a Para-Badminton coach model which will be launched within the year.
- The BWF has received confirmation from the IPC that Para-Badminton was included in the 2019 Para-Pan Games in Peru. This would certainly boost the popularity of the game in the region.
- A Working Group was established through the Para-Badminton Commission to look at the medal programme and qualification process regulations and qualifications for Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games and a proposal was submitted to the IPC in February. In June, 5 representatives from the BWF led by President Poul-Erik Hoyer would attend the IPC IF Open Day in Bonn, Germany where the proposal from BWF would be one of the agenda items.

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The number of events and athletes for the Tokyo 2020 Games would be announced in September.

- In closing, Paul Kurzo thanked members of the Committee and Commission and the members for their support of Para-Badminton.

There were no questions to the Para-Badminton Committee report.

3.1.4 Development & Sport for all - Chair David Cabello reported

Key highlights of activities and progress;

- David Cabello said that 2016 was a productive year and he thanked members of his Committee and the development team for their hard work.
- Amongst the achievements was the 100th Shuttle Time national implementation project which took place in Panama.

In line with the popularity of Shuttle Time, sixteen new resources languages version have been developed to service the members better. Among these were the Shuttle Time university course for trainee teachers, youth leaders award for 15 to 18 year old students, a new Shuttle Time website and a Shuttle Time apps which is available in 17 languages. Also developed were Shuttle Time national branding packages which were available for all participating countries.

Shuttle Time continued to be a great tool for developing partnerships which enhance exclusivity of our sport and offer opportunities to disadvantaged and disabled children.

- Sports for all projects were available in more than twenty language versions with 1.1 million views of the Shuttle Time online clips. The Shuttle Time apps had been downloaded in 144 countries.
- In 2016, the BWF had allocated increased development funding to the CCs to support player development projects and in parallel to this badminton was able to access more funding from Olympic Solidarity which included 30 scholarships for qualification to the Rio Games.

The results of the positive effect of the development programmes to player development was evident in Rio with 16 Olympic Solidarity scholars winning 12 matches. For the first time, a player from Africa has won a match at the Olympic level.

The Rio Olympic Games had been a good example of the approach "more and better" in development terms where 9 countries had won badminton medals – the best ever in an Olympic Games.

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- Significant progress continued in Coach Education with the Level 3 resources being finalized and ready to be piloted soon.
- The BWF continued to focus on creating capacity building resources to assist the members with the launch of online courses in event management and national administrators which were available in BWF website.
- An important aspect of capacity building was being able to measure progress and to better target available fund. The feedback from members was crucial.
- With the availability of additional funding, the BWF partnered with the Russian Badminton Federation to continue research on the positive effort of badminton to combat the global epidemic of youth myopia.
- The Women in Badminton Commission no sat under the responsibility of the Development and Sports for all Committee. The Commission had implemented several important strategies including integration policy which ensured female participation in all existing courses, offering regional support to identify talented females across all areas at national, continental and BWF level.
- New projects for 2016 - 2020
 - ✓ Injury prevention
 - ✓ Health benefits of Badminton
 - ✓ Further online resources
 - ✓ Itinerant Coach Programmes
 - ✓ Outdoor badminton – the patent process of newly designed outdoor shuttle had commenced. The main objective of the project was to improve the experience of those who were exposed to the sport in an outdoor environment and to provide further innovations to the sport.
- The BWF continued to support each Continental Confederation with funding of \$84,000 per CC to support the delivery of Player Development activities. The funding had also had a positive impact on CC championship participation from less developed badminton nations.

In closing, David Cabello thanked the Council for its generosity to sign for increased funding to support CC development projects. He added that it was a great honor for him to be entrusted with the responsibility to lead the Development Committee in the last four years. He said that there were still millions of children who had not had the chance to play badminton and he hoped to work together with the members to give them a chance to play.

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There were no questions to the Development Committee report.

3.1.5 IOC IR – Chair Etienne Thobois reported

Key highlights of activities and progress;

- Etienne Thobois said that it was a privilege to report to the AGM as Chair of the IOC International Relations Committee and to have the continued support of the Council to strengthen the position of badminton and BWF in the Olympic and Para-Badminton movement.

He continued that the key objectives of the Committee were to;

- To ensure that the BWF remained an active member of the Olympic family to support the recognition of the sport and the promotion of excellence in BWF events and development initiatives.

The BWF was one of the most represented IFs in the IOC with four IOC members amongst its ranks and provided the summary;

- President Poul-Erik Høyer is a member of the IOC Entourage Commission, the IOC Evaluation Commission for the bid cities of the 2024 Olympic Games;
 - Li Lingwei serves on the IOC Entourage Commission, the Olympic Programme Commission, the Olympic Solidarity Programme and Chair of the Coordination Commission for the 3rd Summer Youth Olympic Game in 2018 in Bueno Aires;
 - Dagmawit Girmay Berhane serves on the IOC Women and Sport Commission and the Nominations Commission;
 - Hon. Life Vice Presidents Sri Craig Reddie was IOC Vice President until August 2016 and Executive Board Member. He is President of WADA.
 - The recent election of Saina Nehwal to the IOC Athletes' Commission was another indication of BWF's contribution and participation within the Olympic family.
- Thomas Lund's inclusion as a member of the ASOIF task force on shared digital platform for sport has further enhanced BWF's representation and image as a Summer Olympic Games IF.
- Etienne Thobois congratulated members of the BWF who were also involved in their respective National Olympic Committees and he urged them to continue with their work to promote the sport and make it more visible.
 - The Rio 2016 Olympic Games, the first to be held in South America, was the high point for the BWF with badminton achieving several firsts in terms of medal spread with nine countries reaching medal categories and Japan and a Spain enjoyed their first Olympic gold medals and India had its first silver.

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- The Games recorded impressive TV broadcast statistics and audiences. It was reported that the Rio 2016 badminton broadcast had a reach of 650 million globally.
 - BWF scored high points for its warm hospitality offered in the Olympic Family Lounge which was well visited by many guests.
 - Another high point was the emergence of the local heroes, the first Brazilian Olympians in badminton – Ygor Coelho de Oliveira and Lohyanny Vicente.
 - As part of the game, BWF set up and managed a badminton experience area where visitors could try out badminton for the first and it was recorded that in fifteen days more than 4,500 people had their first exposure to the game. This was one of the projects which supported the mission to ensure there was a legacy for the game.
- Looking back at the last four years, Etienne Thobois said that the Committee had worked hard and its contribution to BWF development in the international stage and the key achievements which were;
1. The enhanced reputation and engagement and the positive contributions of his BWF colleagues and the BWF was now seen as a leader in many areas in the eyes of the IOC and other IFs.
 2. The debut of badminton as a para sport in the Tokyo 2020 Paralympics was a milestone and having a sport in both the Olympic and Paralympic Games was a huge achievement.
 3. The Rio Legacy Project from 2014 to 2016 was a significant investment but it had successfully achieved its objectives in the areas of development – 25 Shuttle Time courses were launched in schools around Rio where 80,000 students given the opportunity to experience badminton for the first time. The project delivered 77 public activations across Rio to raise awareness of the sport and to get media coverage.

The Youth Olympic Games 2018 in Buenos Aires would be another great legacy for badminton in South America.
 4. The strategic partnerships which the BWF had established with institutional sports world that had increased the values and profiles of the sport and to support BWF's vision of making badminton a leading global support accessible to all.

Etienne Thobois concluded the report with a word of thanks to the Council members, the BWF membership and the secretariat staff for their support.

There were no questions to the IOC International Relations report.



3.1.6 Marketing Committee Report – Chair Nigel Skelt reported

Key highlights of activities and progress;

- 2016 was a significant year from the marketing perspective. The Committee and the BWF Council made a complete review of the marketing performance and made a long term strategic decision to work with one agency from 2018 – 2025 to take badminton to a new level globally.

In September 2016, a landmark announcement was made with the appointment of Infront Sports ad Media as the sole global agency for BWF media rights and sponsorship rights replacing IMG Media and ESG.

This exclusive partnership would run for eight years until 2025.

2016 was the third year of the BWF's relationship with IMG Media who delivered the BWF television broadcast relationships and managed the television production capabilities. In 2016, BWF event broadcasts were delivered to 600 million households and 546 hours of live coverage of BWF events were produced.

ESG managed BWF's relationship with TOTAL as the title sponsor for BWF major events and MetLife as the title sponsor of the BWF World Superseries.

Repucom which was acquired by Nielsen Sports continued to deliver all media reach and brand value analysis after every BWF event. This global valuation was critical to the BWF's understanding of the value that BWF delivered to its sponsors and host city partners and strategic data

- The Continental Confederation marketing grants were issued based on satisfying certain criteria where the focus was on player promotion and star creation. This was a long-term focus of the BWF working hand in hand with the CCs.

In closing Nigel Skelt thanked the Deputy Chair of Marketing, key BWF staff and to David Cabello and Ian Wright for the contributions to the indoor shuttlecock project which was critical to the long-term sustainability of the game and the outdoor shuttle project which was anticipated to create a new fun game and new fan base.

There were no questions to the Marketing report.

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3.1.7 Communications & Media Committee Report – Chair Ng Yoke Weng reported

Key highlights of activities and progress;

- Ng Yoke Weng reported with Rio 2016 taking the limelight, 2016 was a very eventful year. Digital broadcast had become a very important platform for the exposure of badminton globally.
- The BWF Communications team attended all major events in 2016 and produced more than 400 articles and hundreds of posts on social media to engage fans globally.
- In May 2016, the first media appreciation event was held in Kunshan where it was attended by more than forty members of the media including the BWF President, Secretary General and Council members. The participants were given a brief of the BWF's Strategic Plans 2016 – 2020.
- ShuttleWorld, a quarterly publication which provided the members with updates was also available digitally. The relationship with Around the Rings was continued to strengthen BWF's visibility and position in the Olympic movement.
- 2016 saw the full introduction of a whole range of websites and sub-sites to service its global membership and fans. The response to these websites was reported to be good.
- Social media such as Facebook, Twitter and YouTube had been very impactful to promote the game and these platforms had shown a steady growth of 50% per annum.

Toward the end of 2016, the BWF reached a significant milestone of more than 300,000 regular followers on its Facebook page.

The new, daily short clips delivered straight from the events to the YouTube channels were generating more than 1.2 billion minutes viewed.

In China, the Sina Weibo was also reported to be gaining a strong following.

- Rio 2016 was a huge success as evident from other reports and as a result there were very good interest across a wide geographical spread. In India, the Women's Singles Finals was the most watched Olympic event in that territory and in China, badminton achieved seven out of the top ten highest Olympic broadcast events.
- The BWF appointed agency in China, Shankai Sports managed all social media platforms, We Chat Weibo and Yuoku delivering specific China focused content daily.

In closing, Ng Yoke Weng thanked members of the Communications and Media Committee and staff for their support.

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There were no questions to the Communications report.

3.1.8 Administration Committee

Key highlights of activities and progress;

- Vishu Tolan started his report by paying tribute to past Olympians and Champions who had made the sport what it was today. He continued that in administration, capacity building was a fundamental element to succession building. In 2016, the BWF membership continued to grow with the addition of four new Members – two from Africa (Niger and Guinea) and one each from Asia and Oceania (United Arab Emirates and Papua New Guinea) and one Associate Member (Guadaloupe). The BWF welcomed Burkina Faso in early 2017 taking the membership to 188.
- The four-year assessment period to determine the voting strength of each Member for the years 2017 – 2020 was concluded in September 2016 and communicated to the membership in November. The BWF has a total voting strength of 315 votes across all its Members.
- There was a reduction of membership issues in 2016 but in recent months, a few cases of potential interference, conflicts and disputes infringing on the autonomy of the members were brought to the attention of the BWF. The BWF would continue to monitor the situation.
- The Constitution Working Group continued its work on the restructuring of the BWF Handbook including a review of the Code of Ethics and a regulatory framework around judicial procedures. The BWF also implemented new policies – data protection, privacy and child protection.

The BWF had been recognized as a leader in good governance. Last year it was awarded the winner of the International Category – Corporate Sport Creativity by the Dubai Sports Council.

- Good governance and integrity of sport remained key focus areas. The Integrity Unit continued its work on the anti-doping and anti-match fixing programmes through a few key strategies (1) integrity awareness campaign (2) comprehensive athlete monitoring and testing programme and (3) the engagement of the services of professionals with the right expertise.
- Recognizing that one of the biggest and most effective tools in promoting integrity was the athletes, the BWF has appointed nine top players as integrity ambassadors to promote the integrity campaign to raise awareness, focus on good sports values and protect the rights of clean and honest athletes.
- The Players of the Year Awards were presented at the BWF Superseries Finals in Dubai. Two new awards were introduced – The Most Improved

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Player Award and the Golden Shuttle Award which was a once in four years award for Olympic gold medalist. The BWF congratulated all the awardees.

- In November 2016, the BWF Council approved an honorarium of US\$100,000 annually for the BWF President effective after the elections in May 2017.

This decision reflected the increased requirements and time commitments on the role of the BWF President in recent with BWF, Commercial and institutional (IOC, IOC and many others) stakeholders.

- The BWF had also awarded the Long Service Award to staff of the secretariat.

In conclusion, Vishu Tolan thanked members of the Administration Committee and the staff for making BWF one of the top sporting federation.

There were no questions to the Administration report.

3.1.9 Finance Committee – Dato' Lim Teong Kiat reported;

Key highlights of activities and progress;

- Lim Teong Kiat reported that 2016 had been a successful year for the BWF. He said that the financial accounts reflected a balance US\$15.4 million. The BWF received a total Olympic income of US\$17.3 against a budgeted income of US\$17.5 million. It was also reported that there was increased in commercial and media revenue.

The total surplus for the year was US\$11.69 million. Lim Teong Kiat thanked the Chairs who had been prudent in their spending and the BWF had built up US\$30 million in reserve.

- Ronald Conway, delegate of Badminton Scotland said that if the BWF was a limited company, the shareholders would be asking about their dividend having received the account of the BWF. However, since the BWF was not a limited company, the job was to develop the sport.

With the account reflecting a bank balance of US\$37 million and a liquidity risk of US\$7 million, the BWF had sufficient money to last for five years even with no revenue generated in the next five years.

With that, he asked the BWF its policy with regards to the level of reserves and what would be a comfortable level. He said that it cannot go on accumulating without spending. Secondly, as the host country of the next BWF World Championships, he requested the BWF to give consideration for some financial aid to ensure a successful event.

Lim Teong Kiat clarified that the level of reserves was maintained in several different accounts. He added that the BWF was comfortable with



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the current status and projected US\$20 million by end 2018, most of which would be provided for development projects from 2018 to 2020.

Poul Erik Høyer said that it was relevant to look at how the savings would be used and what buffer to maintain and said that the request by Badminton Scotland would be referred to the next Council for considerations.

There were no further questions to the Finance report.

3.2 To adopt the Financial Statements, duly audited, for the year ending 31 December 2016

- Lim Teong Kiat highlighted that the account had recorded a total gross income of US\$29.6 million (including Olympic income of US\$15.4) against expenditure of US\$17.96 million.

He proposed for the Financial Statements to be adopted.

There were no questions or objections, the financial statements were unanimously adopted by the AGM.

At this point, Thomas Lund updated the AGM that four late members have signed in their attendance taking the total attendance to 130 members with a total of 262 votes.

He also introduced a replacement scrutineer Taylor Flatman-Bateman who would be part of Team 1.

3.3 To receive the 2017 budget and the provisional budget for 2018

- Lim Teong Kiat said that budgeted income 2017 was US\$19.2 mil against expenditure of US\$23 million with a deficit of US\$4.3 million.

There being no questions, the 2016 budget and provisional budget for 2017 were received by the AGM.

4. COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Being a nominee for the Presidency election, Poul-Erik Høyer handed over to BWF Vice President Anton Subowo to chair the next item on the agenda.



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- 4.1 Anton Subowo said that the nomination of Poul-Erik Høyer for the position of President was unopposed, therefore the AGM was asked to accept his re-election by acclamation.

There being no questions or objections, the AGM unanimously approved the re-election of Poul-Erik Høyer as the President for the term 2017 – 2021.

Poul-Erik Høyer thanked the AGM for their approval and pledged to do his best for the promotion and development of the sport.

Anton Subowo thereafter handed over the chair position to the President, Poul-Erik Høyer.

4.2 Election of Deputy President

Since the nomination of Gustavo Salazar for the position of Deputy President was return unopposed, the AGM was asked to accept his re-election by acclamation.

There being no questions or objections, the AGM unanimously approved the re-election of Gustavo Salazar as the Deputy President for the term 2017 – 2021.

4.3 Election of Vice-President – Para-Badminton

Since the nomination of Paul Kurzo for the position of Vice President – Para-Badminton was return unopposed, the AGM was asked to accept his re-election by acclamation.

The AGM unanimously approved the re-election of Paul Kurzo as the Vice President Para-Badminton for the term 2017 – 2021.

4.4 Election of Council Members

- Poul-Erik Høyer said that a list of nominees for the 18 Council positions were circulated and he asked the Secretary-General to explain the election procedure.
- Thomas Lund said that the voting cards containing the names of 32 candidates could be found inside the delegates envelope. He said that three candidates had withdrawn their candidacy therefore their names have been struck out in the ballot papers. They were Ranjit de Silva (SRI), Omar Bellali (MOR) and Raj Gaya (MRI).



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He asked if there were any further withdrawals before the voting process began.

Subsequently, the following candidates announced their withdrawal from election to Council;

- Richard Vaughan of Ireland
 - Mehdi Anvari of Iran
 - Tukebana Michel Bau of Seychelles
- The AGM was reminded that candidates Nos 16, 21, 24, 25, 26 and 30 in the ballot paper had withdrawn their candidacy for the elections.
 - Elections were conducted for the 18 Council positions and results were announced under Item 9 of the Order Paper.
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5. Proposals – BWF Council

- Poul-Erik Høyer said that the proposal was contained in page 89 of the Annual Report and invited Vishu Tolan to present the proposals.

5.1 To approve the members of the BWF Appeals Panel nominated by the membership as per Clause 31.6 of the Constitution.

- Vishu Tolan explained that Clause 31.6 of the BWF Constitution required the appointment of arbitrators that could serve in future BWF Appeals Panels.

The AGM was asked to approve the list of twelve nominees presented in the Order Paper.

- Thomas Lund said that this proposal would require a 2/3 majority.

There was no votes against and one abstention, so the proposal was approved by a 2/3 majority.

5.2 To approve amendments to the Constitution that ensures Continental Confederation staff are not eligible for election to the BWF Council.

- Poul-Erik Høyer said that this proposal was first presented to the AGM in 2016 and was taken back for further consideration.
- Vishu Tolan said that the Council proposed a new clause **18.4 - Staff members of Continental Confederations are not eligible for nomination for Council or Officer positions on Council (Clause 18.1)** to be added to the Constitution.



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He elaborated that the rationale for this proposal was that the BWF and the Continental Confederation staff work very closely together on a day to day basis and the BWF allocates more than three million dollars annually through the CC development grant programmes and processes.

To avoid any conflict of interest or perceived conflict of interest, it was proposed that staff should not be a member of the BWF Council as they could be undue influence on decision making process.

To ensure good governance, the Constitution WG would be evaluating all ethic policies and processes would come up with a matrix to outline what could be considered as conflict of interest of perceived conflict of interest.

The proposal was unanimously approved by the AGM.

5.3 Approval of amendments to the Constitution Clause 31.1 / 31.2

To approve amendments to the Constitution to include a new Judicial Body – an Ethics Hearing Panel.

- Vishu Tolan said that in the judicial process review, it was proposed to establish an Ethic Hearing Panel that would judge cases concerning alleged breaches of the Code of Ethics and the Code of Conduct in Relation to Betting, Wagering and Irregular Match Results.

There being no questions or objections, the proposed amendments to the Constitution was unanimously approved.

5.4 To approve amendments to the Laws of Badminton

- Thomas Lund explained that the proposals came in two parts and only the first part on Clause 17.5.2 would require the AGM approval whilst the second part – Appendix 7 on the Instant Review System would be decided upon by the Council when Clause 17.5.2 was approved.
- Peter Tarcala said that the proposal entailed only a slight change in wording which would not affect the game.

There being no questions or objections, the proposed amendments to Clause 17.5.2 of the Laws of Badminton was unanimously approved.

5.5 Approval of Nomination for Honorary Life Vice President

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To approve the Council nomination for Justian Suhandinata to become an Honorary Life Vice President of the BWF.

Vishu Tolan was invited to read out the citation for Justian Suhandinata and presented the proposal to the AGM for approval.

Vishu Tolan said that it was an honour for him to present the proposal on behalf of President Poul-Erik Høyer.

Justian Suhandinata's passion for and commitment to the development of badminton has a long history at the national, continental and world level.

He had been a player, owner of one of the strongest badminton clubs in Indonesia, an event organizer, leader and philanthropist.

He has held many leadership roles in badminton over the last 40 years and more.

He was a Council Member of the IBF / BWF for a total of 14 years during which time he had been Vice President and was Chair of the Development Committee from 1995 – 2001. He was the man behind the introduction of the World Junior Championships and World Team Championships which was later named the Suhandinata Cup.

He was also the driving force in the Indonesian Badminton Association and his club had produced some of Indonesia's top national players over the last 30 years.

His contribution to the world of badminton was extraordinary.

Poul-Erik Høyer asked the AGM to accept the nomination of Justian Suhandinata as Honorary Life Vice President by acclamation.

Justian Suhandinata was invited on stage to receive his scroll from President Poul-Erik Høyer.

In his acceptance speech, Justian Suhandinata said that it was a great honor for him to receive this recognition, the tenth person to be honored.

He enlightened the members with the history of Sudirman Cup and Suhandinata Cup and his and his family's role in that.

He also took the membership through the history of the split and the reunification of the IBF in the 1980s.

In closing, he thanked the membership for their passion for badminton and he applauded the BWF under the leadership of President Poul-Erik Høyer for the progress that it had made globally and the position in the Olympic family.

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6. Proposal by Badminton Association of Malaysia

Poul-Erik Høyer invited Badminton Association of Malaysia (BAM) to present the proposal for the implementation of a fixed service height.

- Ng Chin Chai, delegate from Malaysia proposes to the members to implement the experimental service law as per regulation 9.1.6.2 in the Laws of Badminton in all international BWF Sanctioned Tournaments, including Under 19 International tournaments, but not other tournaments for age groups below Under 19.

He explained that the rationale for the proposal was to ensure no grey area in the enforcement of the Laws of Badminton as the present Law 9.1.6 is highly questionable as to whether it was visually impossible for the Service Judge to see the server's bottom rib and be certain that the shaft and the racket head of the server's racket at the instant of hitting the shuttle are pointing in a downward direction under the present Law 9.1.7.

He added that the BAM proposed a fixed height of 1.10 metres (or any height that the BWF Council may consider suitable after research).

- Derek Batchelor from England asked that the Council take into consideration exemptions for para-badminton players particularly in Short Stature and Wheelchair classes due to height difference.
- Robert de Kock from Switzerland said that with service being an essential part of the game, different methodologies should be engaged to find the right height with due consideration for different elements at the experimental stage before this was implemented at the international tournaments.
- Ng Chin Chai replied that the experiment by the BWF should include different categories of para-badminton and height of players so that they would not be affected. The Badminton Association of Malaysia would leave this to the BWF to decide on the appropriate height and added that when a decision was made, there should be a grace period before it was implemented.
- Peter Tarcala said that the proposal by BAM was discussed in Council and the experimental law has been tested for some time by different countries involving some top players. The feedback was that the service height should be set between 1.1 and 1.2 meters. He added that the BWF saw this as a positive implementation of the service rule and agreed in principle with the proposal.

BAM agreed to referring the proposal to the BWF Council for further review and implementation process based on suitable out of competition experiments without calling for a vote.

7. SUBSCRIPTION

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To consider Council's proposal that the unit of subscription for the year 2017 should be set at US\$200 per unit (unchanged).

- Raimundo Lizama, delegate from Chile requested the BWF to consider the possibility of changing the deadline for the payment of subscriptions to 31 March instead of January, the reason being that the budget would only be released by the government in March. He had always had to pay out of his own pocket but he would only be reimbursed several months later.
- Thomas Lund explained that the rule was part of the Constitution and cannot be changed at this meeting but would propose to the new Council to consider the request and revert at the next AGM.

The proposal was unanimously approved by the AGM.

8. AUDITORS

Council proposed that the services of BDO Malaysia be secured as the BWF auditor for 2017.

The proposal was unanimously approved by the AGM.

9. COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS

The results for the Council elections were as follows with the eighteen successful candidates. The number of votes received were as follows with the people with the top 18 being elected to Council.

1. David Cabello – Spain – 256
2. Etienne Thobois – France – 242
3. Nora Perry – England – 239
4. Peter Tarcala – Slovakia – 238
5. Tang Jiu Hong – China - 237
6. Lim Teong Kiat – Malaysia – 236
7. Nigel Skelt – New Zealand – 232
8. Chipso Zumburani – Zimbabwe – 226
9. Khunying Patama Leeswadtrakul – Thailand – 224
10. Sergey Shakhryay – Russia – 224
11. Wayne Somers – Canada – 223
12. Emma Mason – Scotland – 222
13. Robbert de Kock – Switzerland – 217
14. Jassem Kanso – Lebanon – 206
15. Ng Yoke Weng – Singapore – 202
16. Moosa Nashid – Maldives – 195
17. Battushig Batbold – Mongolia – 186
18. Danlami Zama Sanchi – Nigeria - 186

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The 18 members elected to Council.

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- 19. Kinji Zeniya – Japan – 133
 - 20. Ozmekik Murat – Turkey - 131
 - 21. Bambang Roedyanto – Indonesia – 104
 - 22. Kim Jong Sun – Korea – 103
 - 23. Hadia Hosny El Said – Egypt – 70
 - 24. Marcelline Myrtle Alexander – St Lucia – 58
 - 25. Ghazi Al-Madhani – U.A.E – 54
 - 26. Peshtiwan Nadir – Iraq - 36

Congratulations was recorded for the eighteen elected Council members for the term 2017 – 2021.

Poul-Erik Høyer also acknowledged Lawrence Chew who had stepped down from Council in August 2016 to take up a position with Badminton Malaysia. Lawrence Chew was elected to the Council in 2009 and had served the BWF for 8 years.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

1. Presentations from future events host;

- Badminton Scotland – host of World Championship 2017, Glasgow
 - Badminton Association of Thailand - Thomas & Uber Cup 2018
- Anne Smillie and Khunying Patama Leeswadtrakul, the respective hosts of the BWF World Championships 2017 and the Thomas & Uber Cup 2018, gave details on the arrangements that their cities had planned and prepared to ensure the success of the events and looked forward to welcoming participants and delegates with warm hospitality.
2. Anup Narang, Secretary-General of the Badminton Association of India gave a brief eulogy in remembrance of Dr. Akhilesh Das Gupta, BWF Council Member and President of the Badminton Association of India who passed away suddenly on 12 April.

During his Presidency, the late Dr. Gupta had taken badminton in India to greater heights through his dynamism, wisdom and vision. He had one vision of taking badminton to the masses and because of his passion and zeal, badminton was played in many outdoor parks despite the presence of many indoor courts and had become India's Number 1 Olympic sport.

The badminton league in India, the brainchild of Dr. Gupta had become the largest league in India and watched by more than 40 million spectators. His

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legacy would be inherited by the newly elected board of the Badminton Association of India.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next Annual General Meeting was proposed to be held in May 2018 in Bangkok in conjunction with the Thomas & Uber Cup.

The exact date will be announced to the membership latest by 30 September 2016 as per the BWF Constitution.

In closing, Poul-Erik Høyer thanked the membership for their attendance and active participation towards the successful conclusion of the AGM and expressed that he looked forward to their continuous contributions towards taking the sport to an even higher level.

The President also thanked Torsten Berg, members of the Organizing Committee for the Commonwealth Games 2018 (GOLDOC) and the BWF staff who were the Scrutineers for the AGM.

There being no other matters, the meeting was adjourned at 1300 hours with a resounding applause to the Chair.

Poul-Erik Høyer
President

Date



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In Attendance
President

Poul-Erik Høyer

Vice-Presidents

Dagmawit Girmay-Berhane
Gregory Verpoorten
Vishu Tolan
Geraldine Brown
Paul Kurzo
Anton Subowo

Apologies

Sir Craig Reddie
Charoen Watanasin
Stellan Mohlin
Jeffrey Robson
Tom Bacher
Dr. Kang Young Joong
Gustavo Salazar
Li Lingwei
Sergey Shakhray
Yuhan Tan

Council Members

David Cabello
Nigel Skelt
Lim Teong Kiat
Etienne Thobois
Ranjit de Silva
Nora Perry
Raj Gaya
Jassem Kanso
Peter Tarcala
Chipo Zumburani
Ng Yoke Weng
Mehdi Karbasian
Wayne Somers

Secretariat

Thomas Lund - Secretary General
Stuart Borrie - Chief Operating Officer

Scrutineers

Torsten Berg - Chief Scrutineer
Ian Wright
Thomas Delaye-Fortin
Sharon Chan
Monica Paul
Moirra Lassen
Alistair Glass
Sally Heading
Bridget Kimber Baternan
Brian Pollard
Adele Finch

AFRICA				
No.	MEMBERS	VOTES	VOTING DELEGATE	DELEGATE 2
1	Algeria	1	Zobiri Messaoud	
2	Benin	1	Aubin Houndagnon Assogba	
3	Botswana	1	Godfrey Khumbulani Mathumo	
4	Burkina Faso			
5	Burundi	1	Ndondo Francois	
6	Cameroon	1	Ntsama Assembe Celestine Odette	
7	Central Africa			
8	Congo			
9	Congo Kinshasa	1	Medard Lomboto Bongoy	Marcel Bukasa Mukoma
10	Egypt	1	Aly Hassballah	
11	Equatorial New Guinea			
12	Eritrea			
13	Ethiopia	1	Aneley Gebreeyesus Ayele	
14	Ghana	1	Yeboah Evans Kojo	
15	Guinea			
16	Ivory Coast	1	Honore Do Zolobe	
17	Kenya			
18	Lesotho	1	Dr. Moneoang Leshota	
19	Libya			

20	Madagascar	1	Jean Aime Ramaniraka Ravalison	
21	Malawi			
22	Mauritania			
23	Mauritius	1	Abdool Bassir Mungroo	
24	Morocco	1	Omar Bellali	
25	Mozambique			
26	Namibia			
27	Niger			
28	Nigeria	2	Danlami Sanchi	
29	Reunion Island (Associate)			
30	Seychelles Island	1	Tukebana Bau	
31	Sierra Leone	1	Michael Shamsu Mustapha	
32	Somalia			
33	South Africa	2	Larry Keys	
34	St. Helena			
35	Sudan			
36	Swaziland			
37	Tanzania			
38	Togo			
39	Tunisia			
40	Uganda	1	Simon Mugabi	
41	Zambia	1	Kingstin Mulenga	
42	Zimbabwe	1	Raffick Alsonso	
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ASIA				
No.	MEMBERS	VOTES	VOTING DELEGATE	DELEGATE 2
43	Afghanistan			
44	Bahrain	2	Hesham Al Abbasi	
45	Bangladesh	2	Aziz Mohammad Golam	Bahar Amir Hossain
46	Bhutan	1	Kinley Tshering	
47	Brunei			
48	Cambodia	1	Ly Kosal	Keo Ruos
49	China	5	Lu Gang	Feng Pingshan
50	Chinese Taipei	5	Chen Chih Yi	Wu Yi Hsiang
51	DPR Korea			
52	East Timor			
53	HongKong	5	He Yi Ming	
54	India	5	Anup Narang	Tejpal Singh Puri
55	Indonesia	5	Bambang Roedyanto	Tirta Juwana Darmadji
56	Iran	2	Mohammadreza Pouria	Dr Mehdi Anvari
57	Iraq	1	Mohammed Kamil Al Shimani	Luay Al-Bakri
58	Japan	5	Kinji Zeniya	Hideo Takahashi
59	Jordan	1	Asma Shobaki	
60	Kazakhstan	1	Askar Ormanov	
61	Korea	5	Kim Jong Soo	Han Woo Goo
62	Kuwait	1	Ali Almarri	
63	Kyrgyztan	1	Daniyar Berdigulov	
64	Laos			

65	Lebanon	1	Paul Roukoz	
66	Macau	3	Maria do Carmo Ribeiro Madeira De Carvalho	Shean Shyong Cho
67	Malaysia	5	Ng Chin Chai	Teoh Teng Chor
68	Maldives Islands	2	Moosa Nashid	
69	Mongolia	1	Batbold Battushig	Zulbaatar Galkhuu
70	Myanmar	1	Aung Paing	Aung Zaw Myint
71	Nepal	1	Ramji Bahadur Hona Shrestha	Laa Bhakta Shrestha
72	Pakistan	1	Wajid Ali Chaudhary	
73	Palestine	1	Raouf Saodeh	
74	Philippines			
75	Qatar			
76	<i>Saudi Arabia (Associate)</i>			
77	Singapore	4	Ng Yoke Weng	
78	Sri Lanka	1	Nishantha Dayan de Silva Jayasinghe	Saman Priyantha Bandara
79	Syria	2	Kholoud Bitar	
80	Tajikistan			
81	Thailand	5	Khunying Patama Leeswadtrakul	AM Associate Prof Nigon Chumnankul
82	Turkmenistan	1	Violette Arutyunyan	
83	UAE	1	Ghazi Al Madani	
84	Uzbekistan	1	Azizbek Madjitov	
85	Vietnam	4	Le Dang Xu	
	Continental Representative			
1	Kenny Goh			
2	Chooi Weng Sheng			
3	Thana Arikrishnan			
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EUROPE				
No.	MEMBERS	VOTES	VOTING DELEGATE	DELEGATE 2
86	Albania	1	Bardhi Lavdari	
87	Armenia	1	Sevak Manukyan	
88	Austria	3	Harald Starl	
89	Azerbaijan	1	Zaur Bayramov	
90	Belarus	1	Vladimir Lukashchik	
91	Belgium	4	Sven Serre	
92	Bosnia & Hercegovina			
93	Bulgaria	4	Puzant Kassabian	Volodya Zlatev
94	Croatia	1	Ratko Galjer	
95	Cyprus	1	Efthymios Polydorou	
96	Czech Republic	4	Martin Osicka	Marketa Osickova
97	Denmark	5	Bo Jensen	Klavs Andreasen
98	England	5	Adrian Christy	Derek Batchelor
99	Estonia	1	Karol Kovanen	
100	Faroe Island	1	Erik Engelbrecht Thomsen	
101	Finland	3	Tarmo Pipatti	
102	France	5	Florence Chayet	Phillipe Limouzin
103	Georgia	1	Tinatin Baghashvili	

104	Germany	5	Martin Kranitz	
105	Gibraltar			
106	Greece	1	Victoria Chatzina	
107	Greenland	1	Michael Kleist	
108	Hungary	1	Jozsef Csorba	
109	Iceland	1	Kristjan Danielsson	
110	Ireland	4	Carol Ui Fheargail	
111	Israel	2	Nir Sadeh	
112	Italy	4	Giovanni Esposito	
113	Latvia			
114	Liechtenstein			
115	Lithuania			
116	Luxembourg			
117	Macedonia, FYR	1	Tomica Parlaponov	
118	Malta			
119	Moldova	1	Vladimir Loghin	
120	Monaco			
121	Montenegro			
122	Netherlands	5	Clemens Wortel	Ger Tabeling
123	Norway	1	Trond Waaland	Espen Larsen
124	Poland	3	Katarzyna Sekula	
125	Portugal			
126	Romania	1	Radu Ioan Stefanescu	Adrian Andrei
127	Russia	5	Sergei Baev	Victor Volkov
128	Scotland	4	Anne Smillie	Ronald Conway
129	Serbia	1	Radomir Jovovic	
130	Slovak	1	Anton Siazik	Peter Tarcala
131	Slovenia	1	Matevz Srekl	
132	Spain	4	David Cabello	
133	Sweden	4	Tommy Theorin	Thomas Angarth
134	Switzerland	4	Robbert de Kock	
135	Turkey	4	Murat Ozmekik	Isa Ayan
136	Ukraine	3	Vitalii Tairov	
137	Wales	2	Richard Vaughan	
	Continental Representative			
1	Brian Agerbak			
2	Jimmy Andersen			
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PAN AMERICA				
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138	Argentina	1	Alejandro Almada	Marcia Belen Filippi
139	Aruba	1	Terence Sybesma	Gino A. Dukhoff
140	Barbados	1	Tracy Ian Paul Sealy	
141	Bermuda			
142	Brazil	4	Francisco Ferraz de Carvalho	
143	Canada	5	Anil Kaul	
144	Cayman Island			
145	Chile	1	Raimundo Onofre Lizama Baltra	
146	Costa Rica	1	Adrian Gomez Calvo	

147	Colombia	1	Sandra Constanza Moreno Cruz	
148	Cuba	1	Gervasio Miguel Diaz Fernandez	
149	Curacao			
150	Dominican Republic	1	Generoso Castillo	Mrs Linabel Cordones
151	Ecuador	1	Dr John Zambrano	
152	El Salvador	1	Jose Armando Bruni Ochoa	
153	Falkland Islands	1	Stephen John Dent	
154	<i>French Guiana (Associate)</i>			
155	Grenada			
156	<i>Guadeloupe (Associate)</i>			
157	Guatemala	1	Donald Mauricio Paiz Aguilar	
158	Guyana	1	Gokarn Ramdhani	
159	Haiti	1	Diane Delorier	Schneider Pierre
160	Honduras			
161	Jamaica	1	Connie Aitcheson	
162	<i>Martinique (Associate)</i>			
163	Mexico	2	Francisco Javier Orozco Flores	
164	Panama	1	Dr. Elvys A Villarreal M	
165	Paraguay			
166	Peru			
167	Puerto Rico			
168	St.Lucia	1	Marcelline Alexander	
169	Surinam	1	Redon Coulor	
170	Trinidad & Tobago			
171	Uruguay	1	Jorge Washington Rosales Sosa	
172	USA	5	David Simon	Jeff Dyrek
173	Venezuela			
	Continental Representative			
1	Pilar Carrillo			
2	German Valdez			
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OCEANIA

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174	Australia	5	Loke Poh Wong	
175	Cook Islands	1	Margaret Gail Eraio	Ahkim Tikaroa
176	Fiji	1	Low Soon Seng, Steven	
177	Guam	1	Sandra Low	
178	Kiribati			
179	Nauru			
180	<i>New Caledonia (Associate)</i>			
181	New Zealand	2	Joseph Hitchcock	Ian Willans
182	Norfolk			
183	<i>Northern Marianas (Associate)</i>			
184	Papua New Guinea	1	Kini Vanagi Karo	
185	Samoa	1	Nynette Sass	
186	Tahiti	1	Michael Alezrah	
187	Tonga	1	Dionisio Tundag	
188	Tuvalu	1	Iakopo Molotii	
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	Continental Representative			
1	Julie Carrel			

2	Lynne Nixey		
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OBSERVERS

	Names	Organization
1	Poul Broberg	NOC of Denmark
2	Olivier Bime	FFBad
3	Satoshi Yuza	Yonex Japan
4	Yukisato Takahashi	Yonex Japan
5	Pimonpant Chumnankul	Thailand
6	Guillaume Gailly	FFBad
7	Carolina Vong	Badminton Macau
8	Sabina Kuan	Badminton Macau
9	Lu Rong	Badminton Macau
10	Kok Chon Him	Badminton Macau
11	Zarko Cukic	Badminton Pan Am Exco
12	Jose Gabriel del Busto	Badminton Pan Am Exco
13	Benni Holst Andersen	Scansport AS
14	Brian Bach Moesgaard	Badminton Denmark
15	Anders Jørgensen	Badminton Denmark
16	Justian Suhandinata	Indonesia
17	Poppy Tumengkol	Indonesia
18	Torsten Berg	BWF TO Commission
19	Hadia Hosny	Egypt
20	Sandy Hussein	Egypt
21	Joao Matos	Badminton Europe Exco
22	Giles Cavert	BWF TO Commission
23	Hamilton Mphinyane	BCA Exco
24	Lu Sida	China BA
25	Tang Jiu Hong	China BA
26	Chirwa Kay Kamatuwa	BCA Exco
27	Koen Ridder	Athletes Commission
28	Greg Kim	Badminton Asia

Total Member Countries	188	Total Votes	315
Africa	42	Africa	43
Asia	43	Asia	92
Europe	52	Europe	116
Oceania	15	Oceania	18
Pan America	36	Pan America	46
Total Countries Represented at the 2017 AGM	130	Total Votes for AGM 2017	262
Africa	21	Africa	23
Asia	34	Asia	83
Europe	42	Europe	106
Oceania	10	Oceania	15
Pan America	23	Pan America	35