



Auckland University Ultimate Club (AUUC)

2016 Annual General Meeting Minutes

Date	22/04/2016
Meeting Opened	18:36
Meeting Closed	20:44
Attendees	(See appendix 1.) 24 members, quorum reached
Apologies	Aidan Hurley, Naomi Hurley, Alexis Ceecee Zhang, Matthew Jeromson
Location	240-040C, Owen G Glenn Building, University of Auckland
Chairperson	Lu Shien Lee (LSL)
Scribe	Leanne Saw

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Item 1	Welcome
Discussion	<p>Lu Shien Lee (LSL) welcomed the attendees to the 2016 Auckland University Ultimate Club Annual General Meeting at 18:36, read out the proceedings for the night, and delivered apologies.</p> <p>LSL read the minutes of the 2015 AGM.</p> <p><i>Motion: that the minutes from the 2015 Auckland University Ultimate Club be accepted as a true and accurate record, pending minor corrections.</i></p> <p>Motioned by Lu Shien Lee.</p> <p>Seconded by Marcia Zeng.</p> <p>Motion passed.</p>

Item 2

Discussion

Annual Report (see appendix 2.)

- Ryan Greaves presented his president's report via Skype.
- Lu Shien presented his president's report.
- Jason Saw presented the treasurer's report.
 - Zavara asked how the decrease in grant funds received from last round (\$3000) to this round (\$2500) will affect the club.
 - Jason said both grants were applied for only their respective semesters and that there were plans to apply again in the second grant round. Added that the club has slightly less activity in the first semester, and the decrease in funding received would not affect the club significantly.
 - Leanne Saw added that part of the grant approved for semester two in 2016 were used on training equipment and other items that could be considered "start-up" costs, and thus were one-off expenses.
 - Ethan Taylor requested a breakdown of the grant, and asked why the full funds allocated towards field hire in the semester two grant were not completely utilised.
 - LSL said that there was difficulty finding time to schedule enough trainings or tournaments to use the funding by the time it was received, and that we were able to use some of our desired fields without cost.
 - Zavara asked about the approach towards sponsorship in the past year, in reference to the mention of increasing sponsorship opportunities in last year's minutes.
 - LSL stated that while there was initial work done on gaining club sponsorship, this was not completely followed through with due to other matters taking priority, and mentioned that this is something to work on for the upcoming year.
 - Ethan pointed out that uniform assets do not amount received from the grant in the balance sheet.
 - Jason accounted for the difference by explaining that the uniform assets are made up of club owned jerseys, and the grant went towards both a club owned set and subsidising the shirts that members bought.

- Ethan asked about bank fees for the club, Jason said 31st each month.

Motion: *That the Annual Report, incorporating the annual financial statement, be received.*

Motioned by: Lu Shien Lee.

Seconded by: Marcia Zeng.

Motion passed.

Item 3

Discussion

Election of the 2016 AUUC Executive

Tim explained voting process – voxvote.

President

Nominations received prior to the AGM included:

- Tim Meyer-Smith, seconded by Leanne Saw. Tim Meyer-Smith declined the nomination.
- Lu Shien Lee, seconded by Leanne Saw.

Lu Shien Lee was voted in as President.

Secretary

- Leanne Saw nominated Marcia Zeng. Marcia declined the nomination.
- Marcia Zeng nominated Leanne Saw. Leanne declined the nomination.
- Lu Shien Lee nominated Tim Meyer-Smith. Tim declined the nomination.
- Lu Shien Lee nominated Coral Huang. Coral declined the nomination.
- Marcia Zeng nominated Stephanie Shen. Stephanie declined the nomination.
- Leanne Saw nominated Alice Logan. Alice declined the nomination.
- Ben Davies nominated himself, seconded by Alex Fong. Ben Davies retracted his nomination.
- Tim Meyer-Smith nominated Ben Waller, seconded by Tim Sinclair.
- Ben Waller nominated Zavara Farquhar. Zavara declined the nomination.
- Tim Sinclair nominated Ben Chong, seconded by Lu Shien Lee.

Vote occurred to choose between Ben Chong and Ben Waller.

Ben Chong was voted in as Secretary.

Treasurer

- Tim Sinclair nominated Tim Meyer-Smith, seconded by Marcia Zeng. Tim declined the nomination.
- Alice Logan nominated Marcia Zeng, seconded by Amelia Verrall.

- Leanne Saw nominated Jordan Tan. Jordan declined the nomination.
- Leanne nominated Tim Sinclair. Tim declined the nomination.
- Lu Shien Lee nominated Ethan Taylor. Ethan declined the nomination.
- Leanne nominated Alex Mercer. Alex declined the nomination.
- Lu Shien nominated Ben Waller. Ben declined the nomination.
- Lu Shien nominated Stephanie Shen, seconded by Amelia.
- Lu Shien nominated Coral Huang. Coral declined the nomination.

Vote occurred to choose between Marcia Zeng and Stephanie Shen.

Marcia Zeng was voted in as Treasurer.

General Executive

Nominations received prior to the AGM included:

- Tim Sinclair, seconded by Lu Shien.
- James Crosby, seconded by Tim Meyer-Smith.
- Jordan Tan, seconded by Francis Kim
- Coral Huang, seconded by Alice Logan.
- Stephanie Shen, seconded by Tim Sinclair.
- Leanne Saw nominated Alex Mercer. Alex declined the nomination.
- Leanne nominated Tim Meyer-Smith, seconded by Tim Sinclair.
- Marcia Zeng nominated Brad Ivory, seconded by Leanne.
- Coral Huang nominated Alice Logan, seconded by Leanne.
- Ethan Taylor nominated himself, seconded by Amelia Verrall
- Leanne nominated Ben Davies, seconded by Lu Shien Lee.
- Lu Shien Lee nominated Andy Stewart. Andy declined the nomination.
- Ben Waller nominated Zavara Farquhar. Zavara declined the nomination.

General exec nominees gave speeches, followed by a question and answer session.

Tim Meyer-Smith, Jordan Tan, Stephanie Shen, Alice Logan and Tim Sinclair were voted in as General Executive.

Tie for sixth spot in General Exec between Coral Huang and Brad Ivory. Lu Shien opened the floor to a second round of votes.

Brad Ivory was voted in as General Executive.

Conclusion

Lu Shien Lee was voted in as President.

Ben Chong was voted in as Secretary.

Marcia Zeng was voted in as Treasurer.

Alice Logan, Brad Ivory, Jordan Tan, Stephanie Shen, Tim Meyer-Smith, and Tim Sinclair were voted in as General Executive.

Item 4	Late items
Discussion	<p>Motion: <i>that clause 8.c of the Constitution, listing roles of the auxiliary executive members, be removed.</i></p> <p>Clause in question: “c. A list of auxiliary roles might include, but is not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leagues Co-ordinator • Tournaments Officer • First Year Rep • Funding and Events Officer <p><i>A full description of these roles and their responsibilities is available upon request.”</i></p> <p>Motioned by: Tim Meyer Smith.</p> <p>Seconded by: Jason Saw</p> <p>Motioned passed.</p> <p>Motion: <i>that Alexis Zhang be accepted as an honorary life member of the Auckland University Ultimate Club.</i></p> <p>Motioned by: Aidan Hurley (in absentia).</p> <p>Seconded by: Marcia Zeng.</p> <p>Motion passed.</p> <p>Motion: <i>that Brogan Walker be accepted as an honorary life member of the Auckland University Ultimate Club.</i></p> <p>Motioned by: Aidan Hurley (in absentia).</p> <p>Seconded by: Jaime Willis.</p> <p>Motion defeated.</p> <p>Leanne read out the background information for each of the above motions before each of the respective votes occurred.</p>
Conclusion	<p>Alexis Ceecee Zhang was awarded AUUC Honorary Life Membership.</p> <p>Clause 8c. was removed from the Auckland University Ultimate Club Constitution</p>

Item 5

General Business

Discussion

Motion: *that Leanne Saw be accepted as an honorary life member of the Auckland University Ultimate Club.*

Motioned by: Marcia Zeng.

Seconded by: Jordan Tan.

Motion passed.

- Ethan Taylor brought up point from last AGM, where there was a request to try and not keep competitive and beginners separate, and stated he thought it was not viable. Felt that combined competitive and beginners' trainings were too much in a "middle ground," too easy for some and too hard for others. Suggested that AUUC have targeted beginner and competitive trainings.
 - LSL stated that there was a resourcing issue with fields and coaches. Looking at improved progression from beginner to competitive in future, especially since there has been a good turnout to beginner trainings so far, perhaps by staggering ability levels in club trainings. Ben Waller also agreed that finding external coaching is difficult.
- Question if there was a criteria for people able to turn up to competitive trainings.
 - LSL said that last year there was a competitive squad created, following the trials for the season, to whom which competitive trainings were aimed toward.
- Ben Davies suggested that the selection committee for the competitive squad be from outside of the exec.
- Tim Meyer-Smith and Zavara Farquhar asked what the club is doing to increase female numbers.
 - Sign-ups this year were a 1:3 female to male split.
 - Tim (speaking on behalf of Zavara) suggested a female-only try-it-out type event for women from Auckland clubs and the University.
 - Some thought this would be a good idea to start off the year, but thought that perhaps it was maybe too late as we head into competitive season.
 - Others were unsure whether having women's only trainings/events would promote the right direction since we are a mixed club.
 - Highlighted that there was an issue across all sports of females dropping off from sport heading into university, and that it was important to be inclusive overall to gain and retain female members.

- Suggestions to improve this issue included:
 - Aiming to introduce females from other sporting disciplines to ultimate.
 - A targeted position on the exec for female players.
 - Keeping the female to male ratio steady during trainings, even when female numbers were low to help improve equal representation. (i.e. instead of playing 5 males to 2 females or 6 males to 1 female per team when female numbers are low, consistently keeping the split at 4 males maximum to however many females are available).
- Question of whether we were planning to host NZUUC.
 - LSL and Leanne both stated that this was a definite possibility, and that the bid was already underway.

Conclusion

Leanne Saw was awarded AUUC Honorary Life Membership.

New exec to look into improving the transition between beginner and competitive levels and the competitive selection/training process, as well as means to increase female numbers in the club.

Lu Shien Lee closed the meeting at 20:44.

Appendix 1. Attendees of the 2016 AUUC General Meeting

The quorum for the meeting was reached, with 24 members and 1 non-member in attendance.

Ben Chong

Jason Saw

James Crosby

Leanne Saw

Ben Davies

Stephanie Shen

Zavara Farquhar

Tim Sinclair

Alex Fong

Awal Vijay Singh

Ryan Greaves (via. Skype)

Andy Stewart

Coral Huang

Jordan Tan

Brad Ivory

Ethan Taylor

Francis Kim

Amelia Verrall

Lu Shien Lee

Ben Waller

Alice Logan

Jaime Willis

Alex Mercer

Marcia Zeng

Tim Meyer-Smith



Appendix 2. 2015-16 AUUC Annual Report

2015-16 President's Report – Lu Shien Lee

[As presented at the 2016 Annual General Meeting, with minor edits]

AUUC as a club has been doing some growing up in the last year. According to WEB MD, we are acting like a normal 4 year old should. Expected milestones include: being able to say both first and last names, telling stories, and answering simple questions.

We answered a couple of simple questions this year: one of them was "Are we the best uni team in NZ?"

Another was: "Are we the best mixed team in Auckland?"

It is a shame that New Zealand Ultimate wasn't able to correctly answer the simple question of "who deserves Club of the Year 2016?"

The mission of AUUC can be summed up as this: to provide opportunities for students to play ultimate and to thus positively impact the wider community. To do this, we (as the exec team) knew that our humble frisbee collective had to transform into an organisation with a clearer identity and sense of community. This year, the executive team has worked hard at making this happen, and much of what took place this year, both in the foreground and behind-the-scenes, was done with this goal of improving identity and community in mind.

In terms of tournaments and leagues, we attempted to get a wider player-base involved. On top of restructuring the year's trainings and being more involved in Auckland Ultimate leagues, we also began running a new indoor league, UNIM8s, held in the Rec Centre. And in the majority of tournaments we attended, AUUC took multiple teams, allowing more players to experience these awesome events. All of these factors, as well as a world-class coach for the competitive season, has led to the highest number of people playing Ultimate with the club ever.

We have also started to encourage a higher level of commitment to AUUC - something which we see as vital to developing club identity and community. Instead of acting similarly to a 'pickup' team, we are working on developing more players who identify as being 'part of the Auckland Uni Club'.

Not only have we been playing frisbee, but we have also started to run more social events. This season we managed to host a fair few house parties, as well as organising events such as team dinners and going to JUMP trampoline park. We hope that this aspect of the club will continue to improve and grow.

Other initiatives have also been to benefit the club. A new set of uniform was ordered, which included a beautiful new design for our competitive teams and a larger club-owned set. Other items such as discs and chilly bins were also purchased and have been put to good use. This has all been to make life easier at trainings and tournaments, but having club-owned equipment also moves AUUC towards becoming an entity in its own right, as opposed to simply a name to play under.

In terms of club communication, we have worked to bring in clearer channels between the administration and the members, as well as within the exec team itself. We have introduced an email newsletter, updated our website, and have accompanied this with a larger presence on social media. Within the exec, we have implemented new digital platforms, Slack and Trello, which have proved more effective for collaborating, communicating and planning. So far this has all worked well, and it should continue to make things easier for everyone in the club.

A big step forward for the club has been in the funding department. In both 2015 and 16 we have managed to secure grants from the University of Auckland, giving us the ability to do many of the aforementioned initiatives, such as buying club jerseys and hiring fields. It has also meant that there is less reliance on members to fund the club - and I believe that the new reduced membership fee has contributed to our member base doubling.

We still have a whole lot of growing up to do, though. And I see this club going far in the next few years, as we progress from New Entrants through to Intermediate School. It has been truly amazing to be part of AUUC this year,

and not just to see the successes we have had, but to watch this club slowly come together. To watch the people come together. From the banter of SOCOM to the tea parties of Flood, this club has given us so many yarns, and way too many hashtags.

For this, full credit to the boys (and girls) must be made. We have had a fantastic team this year which I am honoured to have been a part of. I know some of them have tried to escape responsibility by fleeing the country, but even so, they still deserve our praise. Leanne, Jason, Alex, Tim and Marcia, you guys rock. Matt, Panda, and Ceecee, rest in peace. The commitment, the energy, and the sheer amount of work put in by these people, especially our Secretary, Leanne, and our ex-President, Panda, has been inspiring.

Of course there were others who put in a hell of a lot of work into AUUC's year. So thank you, volunteers. And a special shout out to our glorious leader, Aidan Hurley, who couldn't make it tonight. We would be lost, and lacking energy drinks without him.

Lastly, thanks goes to you. The members. Though we technically only need seven members to keep the club official, it is nice being able to play more than 3 on 3. And being able to send out our teams to leagues, regional tournaments, and national championships throughout the year is something to be celebrated. Helping people play frisbee is at the heart of this club, and all of our players have done us proud - especially our premier team, Flood. Winning the uni nats championship and coming 7th at mixed nats, Flood did good. How do you all like the sound of this? The best Uni team in New Zealand, and the best mixed club in Auckland. That's cause for celebration.

Our club is made up of more than just players in Flood though, and we need to celebrate this too. To our players on Flash, and any intermediate level members: we love you. This club is about frisbee at all levels, and I promise, on behalf of the incoming exec team, that AUUC is going to bust its guts to improve the '2016-7 Frisbee Experience' for all of you.

Let us also pay tribute to some special people who, though they moved away to greater things, managed to improve our Frisbee Experience this year. To Red, Ceecee, Tristan, Camille, and Sarah K: you made AUUC a better club, and we wish you all the best with your future endeavours.

There is so much more to celebrate from this year; our membership base doubling in a matter of weeks, our beginner players (who SMASHED AUT in the first match of the year) and, most of all, all the fun we have had off the field.

So thank you, thank you so much for being part of AUUC in the last 12 months. To be able to play a sport you love with people you adore is a blessing, and I am excited to see what we can do in the years to come. Not all teams, not all clubs, have room to grow. But we, at AUUC, we have something really special. Without a doubt, this club has the potential to develop into something truly amazing. And I would love for you to come along with us as we build to reach this potential through this year and the years to come.

2015 Treasurer's Report – Jason Saw

[As presented at the 2016 Annual General Meeting]

Auckland University Ultimate Club

Profit and Loss Statement
For the year ending Dec 31st, 2015

Revenues

Subscriptions	1520.00	
Uniform Sales	2178.50	
Tournament Contributions	8012.70	
League Contributions	3980.00	
Social Event Contributions	515.00	
Grants	3000.00	
Other Income	200.00	
Total Revenue		19406.20

Expenses

Uniform cost of sales	3313.40	
Tournament Associated Expense	9039.28	
League Associated Expenses	4,872.00	
Social Event Associated Expenses	1202.30	
Other operating Expenses	22.94	
Field Hire	684.25	
Bank fees	169.60	
Total Expenses	(19303.77)	

Net Surplus / (Deficit) for the year 102.43

Auckland University Ultimate Club

Statement of Financial Position
Dec 31st, 2015

Assets

Cash	\$538.93	
Chilly Bin	99.00	
Club Owned Shirts	487.30	
Discs for use	225.00	
Discs for sale	45.00	
Jerry Cans	40.00	
Whiteboard	40.00	
Total Assets		\$1475.23

Equity and Liabilities

Equity		
Retained Surplus: January 1st	\$ 1,372.80	
Add: Net surplus for the year	102.43	
December 31st	1475.23	
Liabilities (no material liabilities)		
Total Equity And Liabilities		\$1475.23