



**BASEBALL**  
NORTHERN TERRITORY

## BASEBALL NORTHERN TERRITORY 2023 AGM MINUTES

*Saturday 25 November 2023*

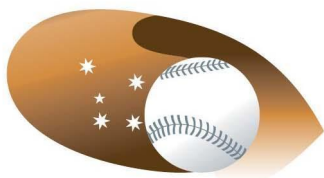
**VENUE:** Hudson Apartments Hotel  
6 Berrimah Road, Berrimah NT 0828  
OR via Microsoft Teams

**MEETING OPENED:** 10:10am ACST

**ATTENDEES:** Narelle Gosstray (NG) BNT Governance Director  
Nathan Mitchell (NM) BNT ASBA Director (casual)  
Rob Gower (RG) BNT General Manager  
Kai Meuronen (KM) BNT Development Officer  
Brian Vidler (BV) ASBA Voting Member  
Kerri-Anne Fior (KF) ASBA  
Gavin McGargill (GM) ASBA  
Michelle Hertal (MH) DBL Voting Member  
Brodie Hertel (BH) DBL  
Mark MacDonald (MM) DBL

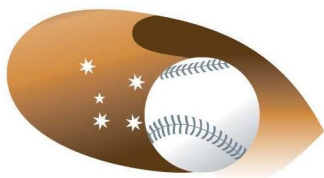
**APOLOGIES:** Josh Ang (JA) BNT President

AGENDA ITEM	NOTES
1. Welcome and Apologies – confirmation on voting rights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NG opened the meeting in the absence of JA.</li> <li>• NG Welcome to country and acknowledges the land in which we meet on today</li> <li>• NG chairs meeting in absence of JA.</li> <li>• MH DBL voting rights</li> <li>• NM ASBA voting rights</li> </ul>
2. Adoption of previous AGM Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amendment to 2022 AGM minutes – Ian Grant &amp; Carissa O’Neil, Brodie and Michelle Hertel to be added to attendance.</li> </ul> <p><i>Adoption of previous minutes moved by BV, seconded by MH</i></p>
3. Presentation and Adoption of Annual Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NG noted the fabulous job as performed by new BNT staff</li> <li>• NG noted increase in membership 28% total, Increase of female membership by 72%*</li> <li>• Increase of 27 programs from previous year. 917% increase in participation</li> <li>• NG summarized JA’s chairpersons report</li> <li>• NG noted ongoing changes to Gameday from revsport</li> <li>• NG thanked Kristine Evan’s contribution as the DBL representative to the board.</li> <li>• RG summarized the GM’s report making special note of all volunteer contribution across the territory.</li> </ul>



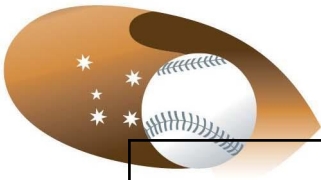
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<p>3. Presentation and Adoption of Annual Report <i>(continued)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● RG mentioned the increased effort to increase social media presence to grow the footprint of</li> <li>● the game.</li> <li>● RG notes the lift in membership in the NT noting we need to continue the sustainable growth –</li> <li>● highlights ASBA's growth by approx. 40 members</li> <li>● RG praises the efforts of last year's representative teams and their success going into 2024.</li> <li>● RG notes the behind-the-scenes efforts of implementing Gameday as a system, as well as</li> <li>● creating processes and systems for operating baseball programs in the future.</li> <li>● RG is looking forward to 2024 AGM in lieu of what we have prepared for 2024.</li> <li>● RG notes over 2000 people participated in baseball in some form last financial year – thinks we</li> <li>● can double in 2024.</li> <li>● RG notes record in membership over the last 4 years.</li> <li>● NG notes emphasis on participation in regard to decisions around current staffing.</li> <li>● MH commends effort in junior programs in Darwin.</li> </ul>
<p>4. Presentation and Adoption of Audited Financial Report</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● NG notes Independent Auditor report noted BNT is a going concern.</li> <li>● No significant changes to the activities that we do</li> <li>● Profit of \$11,463 as of EOFY</li> <li>● Noted effort of profit return compared to 22' given increased staffing costs in 23'</li> <li>● All entities in the NTG had a reduction in funding in 23'</li> <li>● Noted rep team expenses increased due to sending an additional team</li> <li>● RG noted income and expenditures have reduced in the last FY</li> <li>● Rep teams income in, expenses out.</li> <li>● Final payment for TV lighting project of \$14,500.</li> <li>● RG noted change in way Baseball Australia capitation fees have been accounted for.</li> <li>● MM notes our assets being \$33,000 in equipment having not changed for the last 3 years. RG mentions budget allocation for equipment purchase this FY24.</li> </ul> <p><i>BV moves financials, MH Seconds</i></p>



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5. Voting for Auditor for 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Your local auditor</li> </ul> <p><i>MH moves to adopt, BV Seconds</i></p>
6. Life Membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● No life membership nominations had been received.</li> </ul>
7. Junior of the Year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● NG acknowledges all previous life members &amp; Junior of the year award winners.</li> <li>● 1 nomination received for Toby Lidlow from Palmerston Reds.</li> <li>● RG mentions what Toby has done off the field to promote Baseball off the field.</li> </ul> <p><i>BV moves, MH seconds</i></p>
8. Elected Director Appointment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● NM nominated as ASBA Director.</li> <li>● No nomination received for DBL Director. To be held as a vacancy until post the DBL AGM when it will be revisited.</li> <li>● NG notes that directors need to operate as members of the BNT board, instead of solely representatives of their respective associations.</li> <li>● NG notes the person nominated does not have to sit on the DBL board.</li> <li>● NG notes Baseball Australia efforts to include SSO board members into national programs and committees.</li> </ul> <p><i>MH moves, BV seconds</i></p>
9. Appointed Director Appointment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● NG declares conflict of interest as she is applying for another term as director.</li> <li>● RG takes over as meeting chairperson for Appointed Directors.</li> <li>● RG notes that 3 director positions are available – portfolios assigned at the next board meeting.</li> <li>● JA in the middle of current term</li> <li>● NG has come to end of term – renominating for next term.</li> <li>● NG only renomination</li> <li>● No nominations for third director role. Role to be looked at on a casual basis until filled.</li> </ul>



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*BV moves, MH seconds*

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10. Next Board Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Not yet scheduled – endeavor to have one prior to end of year</li></ul>

**MEETING CLOSED:** 11:06am ACST