

**BADMINTON PAN-AMERICAN CONFEDERATION  
MINUTES – 2018 AGM  
May 17, 2018**

**Centara Grand & Bangkok Convention Centre at Central World Hotel  
Room Lotus 7, Floor 2  
Bangkok, Thailand**

**1. WELCOME**

Mr. Vishu Tolan, President of Pan Am Badminton Confederation, opened the Meeting and welcomed all the present Delegates and thanked the attendance of the Board Members.

**2. ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES**

**DELEGATES LIST**

<b>No</b>	<b>COUNTRY</b>	<b>DELEGATE 1 - vote</b>	<b>DELEGATE 2</b>
1	Argentina	Alejandro Almada	
2	Aruba	Terence Sybesma	
3	Barbados	Elius Fanus	
4	Bolivia	Jorge Pardo	
5	Brazil	Francisco Ferraz	
6	Canada	Anil Kaul	Joe Morissette
7	Chile	Raymundo Lizama	
8	Colombia	Constanza Moreno	
9	Cuba	Alexis Ramirez	
10	Dominican Republic	Generoso Castillo	
11	Ecuador	Emilio Zambrano	
12	El Salvador	Armando Bruni	
13	Falkland Islands	Ben Watson	
14	Guatemala	Donald Paiz	
15	Guyana	Gokarn Ramdhani	
16	Haiti	Pierre Emmanuel Bijoux	
17	Mexico	Javier Orozco	
18	Peru	Gonzalo Castillo	
19	Saint Lucia	Marcelline Myrtle Alexander	
20	Uruguay	Raul Rosales	
21	United States	David Simon	Jeff Dyrek
22	Venezuela	Dhayisbel Torrealba	

### **APOLOGIES. –**

Apologies given for Dr. Generoso Castillo, due to late arrival because of flight connections.

Rahul Rampersad from Trinidad & Tobago, Adrian Gomez from Costa Rica ,they apologized for not being able to attend for personal reasons. Roll call was made and the quorum was confirmed according to BPAC Cosntitution art.19.

### **3. PRESIDENT REMARKS**

Mr. Tolan recommended to take advantage of the important number of participating Delegates and don`t hesitate in exposing the possible ideas that may appear within this Annual Meeting.

### **4. MINUTES APPROVAL**

**- To Confirm Minutes of the AGM 2017 – Gold Coast, Australia**

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE AGM, May 2017, Gold Coast, Australia**

Vote of approval was moved by Mr. Kaul (CAN) and seconded by Mr. Sealy (BAR), Mrs. Alexander (SLU) and Mr. Diaz (CUB).

**Matters Arising from Minutes: There were none.**

### **5. COO'S REPORT (Mrs. Pilar Carrillo)**

Mrs. Pilar Carrillo showed a presentation video of BPAC HQ in the city of Lima, with an explanation of each area and details in the office: location, cost, type of contract and others details.

Also, Mrs. Carrillo introduced BPAC staff working at Operational Office.

#### **- ADMINISTRATION REPORT (Mrs. Pilar Carrillo)**

Mrs. Carrillo informed how BPAC manage the resources, highlighting that BPAC manage resources according the plan approved by BWF each December, based after each CC meeting held in September. BWF and EXCO approve the budget costs for new projects and resources.

**- STRATEGIC PLAN REPORT (Mr. Gabriel Del Busto)** Mr. Del Busto made an explanation update for our Strategic Plan, important tool we are using since implementing 2 years ago. He showed the advance in the different areas and its indicators.

Mr. Tolan Thanked Mrs. Carrillo for her presentation.

## **6. BPAC DEVELOPMENT REPORT (German Valdez)**

Mr. Valdez made a review of activities in the different programs ran through the year, for Shuttle Time, Coach Education, Players and Para-Badminton. It was shown an increase for number of children and schools which he mentions were result of great work from our Associations implementing Shuttle Time. Also important was the activity held together recently with Panam Sports in March/April in Guatemala City. There were more than 12 countries taking part with close to 30 players. Finally, a video of this activity was presented. He explained one of the charts in which showed the Associations which took part in the different areas of development and showed that over 20 of Associations were benefited.

Regarding YOG Buenos Aires 2018, it was mentioned that we had a good chance of qualification a significant number of players. He outlined the program of activities or courses to be held in coming months.

There were no questions. Mr. Tolan thanked Mr. Valdez for his report.

## **7. BPAC EVENTS REPORT EVENTS CHAIR REPORT (Mr. Zarko Cukic)**

Events overview.- Mr. Cukic presented an overview of the area with the different number of Circuit Events held and its level, also for Junior Circuit Events, mentioning that some cancellations were received after receiving sanction from BWF.

Also mentioned and updated the information on Technical Officials (Referees, Umpires and Line Judges) and their levels. Additionally that we would have our yearly Accreditation process in Salvador, Bahia in July during out Junior Pan Am.

As for Pan Am Games 2019, he mentioned that coordination and meetings were being held with games organizer, copal, and that Mrs. Carrillo as International Technical Delegate, was in constant communication with them

- Pan Am Junior 2018 – Brazil Presentation (Mr. Francisco Ferraz).- Presentation was received from Mr. Ferraz, in which detailed information about the coming event in Salvador, Bahia was shown and showed the sports facility and its layout for the Championships. Mention was made also of the sights and places of Salvador city.
- Para Badminton Report (Mrs. Pilar Carrillo).- Mrs. Carrillo explained the important growth this area had during last year and its importance of inclusion at Lima ParaPan Games next July 2019. Important note was that BWF has the management and control of Event until after Tokyo 2020, and all biddings and nominations were done by them.
- Pan Am Para Badminton Championships 2018 Lima – Peru (Mr. Gonzalo Castillo).- Presentation by Mr. Castillo covering the organization committee for the event, sports facilities and city of Lima sights. He explained that coordination were in place with BWF and Pan Am office as to have a successful event next November. He finished inviting our Associations to participate in this Continental Championship.
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Mr. Tolan thanked Mr. Cukic for his report.

### **8. MARKETING REPORT (Mr. David Simon)**

Mr. Simon explained the work that was being done with the aim of offering a commercial product through our Continental events, with the aim of exposure and in a second stage look for interested parties that could become stakeholders of BPAC. Reason why, we have been doing our efforts in improving streaming quality of our Championships and in other area, giving recognition and promotion to our Regions' players through profiles and interviews.

Mentioned that the office had requested BWF to have the possibility of publishing from their source, the Ranking of our players, This was on the way and BWF had been very positive with our request and approach.

Mr. Tolan thanked Mr. Simon for his report.

## **9. WOMEN IN BADMINTON (Mrs Constanza Moreno).-**

Information about the different activities and projects made on past months. Close communication between Mrs. Moreno and the office, assisted this program. Special mention was the 10 day presentations beginning on Women Day. Here we covered athletes, Coaches, Officers who expressed their views on different related topics.

Also important mention of support given to female coach to be present at World Coaches Conference in Glasgow, in this case the invitation went to Prof. Norma Rodrigues (BRA) who benefited of this experience. Also support was planned to cover TOs for upcoming events.

Mr. Tolan Thanked Mrs. Carrillo for her presentation.

## **10. FINANCIAL REPORT - Treasurer Mr. Wayne Somers**

Mr. Somers presented financial reports on past year and it was presented through its different areas. He explained that each year we provide information on expenses of our organization and monthly he receives reports from the office which he records and then by end of year he integrates all these for submitting to the Auditor after consolidating in the Lima office in the month of February.

Questions from the floor came, by Mr. Castillo (PER) asking for a more detailed balance, similar to other organizations. Mr. Tolan ask for word and he explained that all our money was to pay for operating and activities costs making this presentation proper. Mr. Castillo asked if some additional information could be provided in next presentations.

Mr. Lizama (CHI) supported Mr. Castillo request in this matter.

Mr. Tolan thanked Mr. Somers for his report

## **11. ELECTIONS BPAC VP FOR BWF PERIOD 2019-2023**

Mrs. Carrillo indicated that only the proposal and seconding for Mr. Vishu Tolan had been received. As such, this proposal for voting from the Membership was requested at this time, and it was by acclamation that Mr. Tolan was voted in for the position, and this was to be informed to BWF.

Mr. Tolan addressed the Assembly and expressed his gratitude for their support and promised to serve during his term, with the intention to seek the continued growth of pan Am and its relation with BWF and the other CCs.

## **12. OTHER MATTERS**

Mr. Tolan asked if there were any additional matter the Assembly would consider.

Mr. Cukic announced that no bidding documents for Pan Am Mixed Team and Pan Am Individual Championships 2020 were received yet an encourage MAs to apply for these tournaments.

Also, Mr. Cukic announced that Pan Am Junior Championship 2019 will be held in Moncton, Canada.

Continuing with the agenda, Mr. Vishu Tolan led the recognition to Mr. Miguelito Díaz from Cuba. He was one of the founders of the Federation of Badminton of Cuba in 1979 and since then he has contributed to the development of badminton in Cuba and in our region.

Mr. Díaz received the recognition and thanked the Pan American badminton family for this tribute. He stressed that if badminton exists in Cuba, it is not only because of the work he has done, but also because of the support provided by the Pan-American Badminton Confederation, BWF and the Cuban Olympic Committee.

Mr. Tolan thanked Mr. Díaz for his words and highlight the development of Badminton in Cuba and congratulate them to reach the Olympic Games Rio 2016.

Mr. Raymundo Lizama from Chile asked for the floor and referred, on behalf of the members of the South American Confederation, that in view of the different events that take place in the South American region and that belong to the Olympic cycle, he suggested that the Pan American Confederation take greater consideration to The South American zone for the development they are achieving, requested punctual support in the events referring to the cost of shuttles, the realization of a players' camp and that the Pan-American Confederation take as reference the South American tournament and the realization of group phases in the U11, U13 and U15 categories. He concluded by reiterating the request that the Pan American Confederation support the

South American events with the sponsor and that athletes' camps be held around these tournaments.

Mr Tolan thanked Mr. Lizama for his intervention, highlighted the development of badminton in the South American region, concentrating support for the youth athletes, and said that the Pan-American confederation is committed to assisting them as much as possible and to please submit a formal request.

Mr. Lizama intervened, citing the organization of the I Para South American in Asunción 2022 as part of the development of the South American zone.

Mr. Tolan stated that Pan Am support will be provided to the extent possible.  
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After no other request was made, Mr Tolan thanked the assistance and also introduce the Board:

Peter Golding from Canada, Deputy President

Wayne Somers, Treasurer and BWF Council Member

Generoso Castillo from Dominican Republic, Vice-President for the Caribbean(excused)

Javier Orozco from Mexico, Vice-President for North America

Gabriel Del Busto from Guatemala, Vice-President for Central America

and Zarko Cukic from Peru, Vice-President for South America

David Simon, Chair of Marketing

Connie Moreno, Chair of Women in Badminton

Mr. Tolan also requested a special thanks to Mrs Pilar Carrillo, Mr German Valdez and office staff for the hard work they do.

#### **14. NEXT MEETING**

After no other request was made, the AGM was adjourned with the pending confirmation to held AGM & Elections 2019 in Moncton, Canada during the Pan Am Junior Championship 2019.