



**Badminton
Pan America**

BADMINTON PAN AMERICAN CONFEDERATION

MINUTES – AGM 2020 VIRTUAL

November 28th, 2020

1. WELCOME & PRESIDENT REMARKS

Being 10.00 am, Mr. Vishu Tolan, President of Pan America Badminton Confederation, opened the meeting and welcome all the great Badminton Pan Am Family wishing them health and safety in these difficult times.

He mentions that the Pandemic took our opportunity to be together physically, and it is why the virtual assembly was generated, following our world federation example, and complying with our statutes governing, it is why we proposed and generated this virtual assembly.

He continuous reporting the main action taken since May 2019, in the different areas.

As for *Events*, 2019 was a successful year for our sport, a spotlight was set with the organization of the Pan American and Para Pan American Games, were 22 countries participated, including Bolivia, Colombia, and Panama for the first time. We closed the year with a total of 48 tournaments, challenging us to offer world class tournaments settings and with an offer of higher-Ranking points.

As for *Development*, Shuttle Time keeps growing surpassing last year more than 100,000 schoolchildren and about 1,200 teachers and tutors and now having a great reach with its Online component.

Regarding to coaches, it was important to mention that during the Pan American Games, 91% of the coaches present were national born coaches, Lima hosted a pilot level 3 done by BWF, where 14 of our coaches participated. Additionally, we delivered in Argentina the first Coach Level 1 course integrated with the disability module.

Mr. Tolan informed that we have renewed our agreement with Special Olympics Latin America in Lima, 2019, which will consolidate the development of our sport in the population of people with intellectual disabilities, more active athletes have integrated our family, thanks to the work of Colombia, Cuba, El Salvador, Guatemala, and Paraguay.

As for *Communications*, have been highly active generating activities through the internet, the relaunch of our magazine “Pan Am Shuttle” with a new format made possible the increase in traffic and followers on our website and social networks.

This was also possible with the programmes offered to our coaches and everybody interested in our sport with the “Coach Corner Programme” – a series of webinars to share scientific researches, training methodology, share experiences, para badminton, amongst other topics – to our athletes (conventional & para badminton) was launched the “HomeCup” – a virtual competition based on several challenges to put up to test the athletes skills at home -, and to our technical official was launched “Talking about Rules”.



**Badminton
Pan America**

Mr. Vishu Tolan also talked about future challenges, starting with the MA's Categorization structured by BWF, which every two years will give us the change to strengthening our sport at the level of member association. Also, AirBadminton that will soon be part of our schedule activities.

He acknowledges the work done by Ms. Pilar Carrillo, who stepped down as COO effective December 31, 2019, and thanked her for 12 years of enormous sustained and positive contribution and dedication across all our badminton community; leaving a well-organized and professional office.

He thanked the work being done by the office staff during this pandemic who have been ably led by German Valdez.

He concluded his remarks thanking the Exco members (Anil, Chepe, Zarko, Gonzalo, Generoso, Javier, Gokarn & Wayne) and by giving German Valdez the floor to go through the procedures and quorum call of the AGM.

1.1 ATTENDANCE

DELEGATES LIST

No.	COUNTRY	DELEGATE 1 – vote	DELEGATE 2
1.	ARGENTINA	Hector Maleh	Daniel Pallarola
2.	ARUBA	Terence Sybesma	Su Ying Lau
3.	BARBADOS	Kevin Wood	
4.	BOLIVIA	Ivan Tolavi	Cindy Avendano
5.	BRAZIL	Francisco Ferraz	Jose R. Santini
6.	CANADA	Anil Kaul	Joe Morissette
7.	CHILE	Helio Alvarez	
8.	COLOMBIA	Dario Tigreros	Constanza Moreno
9.	COSTA RICA	Adrian Gomez	
10.	CUBA	Alexis Ramirez	
11.	ECUADOR	Emilio Zambrano	
12.	EL SALVADOR	Armando Bruni	Gilberto Lopez
13.	GUYANA	Gokarn Ramdhani	Emelia Ramdhani
14.	HAITI	Pierre Bijou	Juneo Pierre



**Badminton
Pan America**

15.	JAMAICA	Nichole Case	Sheldon Townsend
16.	MARTINIQUE	Phillipe Millot	William Cestor
17.	MEXICO	Javier Orozco Flores	
18.	PANAMA	Olga Muñoz	Dionisio Dixon
19.	PERU	Gonzalo Castillo	
20.	DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	Generoso Castillo	Alberto Feliz
21.	SAINT LUCIA	Myrtle Alexander	
22.	SURINAME	Charlene Soerodimedjo	
23.	TRINIDAD & TOBAGO	Christopher Joachim	Navin Gayapersad
24.	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	Rena Wang	Linda French
25.	URUGUAY	Jorge Rosales	
26.	VENEZUELA	Dhayisbel Torrealba	Luis F. Montilla

AGM 2020 VIRTUAL

Country	Delegate Vote		E-mail	Delegate 2		E-mail
ARGENTINA	Mr. Hector Omar Maleh	P	presidencia@...	Mr. Ruben Daniel Pallarola	P	secretario@...
ARUBA	Mr. Terence Sybesma	P	arubafederati@...	Miss. Su Ying Lau	P	secretarybad@...
BARBADOS	Mr. Kevin Wood	P			P	
BOLIVIA	Mr. Ivan Tolavi		sucrenze@h...	Ms. Cindy Avendaño		cinddy_vacir@...
BRASIL	Mr. Francisco Ferraz de Carvalho	P	presidencia@...	Mr. Jose Roberto Santini Ca	P	betosantini@...
CANADA	Mr. Anil Kaul		anil.kaul@sh...	Mr. Joe Morissette		morissette@...
CHILE	Mr. Helio Marcos Alvarez Muñoz	P	presidente@f...			
COLOMBIA	Mr. Dario Tigreros	P	dariotigreros@...	Mrs. Constanza Moreno	P	sconniemore@...
COSTA RICA	Mr. Adrián Gomez	P	adriangomez@...			
CUBA	Mr. Alberto Alexis Ramirez		alexis690116@...			
ECUADOR	Mr. Diego Emilio Zambrano	P	emiliozambra@...			
EL SALVADOR	Mr. José Bruni	P	armandobruni@...	Mr. Gilberto Lopez	P	glopez@cupa...
GUYANA	Mr. Gokarn Ramdhani	P	gokarnr@h...	Mrs. Emelia Ramdhani	P	
HAITI	Mr. Bijou Pierre Emmanuel	P	bisiremanuel@...	Mr. Junel Pierre	P	junel.pierre@...
JAMAICA	Mrs. Nichole Case	P	nicholecase@...	Mr. Sheldon Townsend	P	generalsec@...
MARTINIQUE	Mr. Philippe Millot	P	philippe.millot@...	Mr. William Cestor	P	william.cestor@...
MEXICO	Mr. Francisco Javier Orozco Flores	P	femeba2012@...			
PANAMA	Mrs. Olga Muñoz	Imp	olga.munoz@...	Mr. Dionisio Dixon		dionisio.dixon@...
PERU	Mr. Gonzalo Castillo	P	gonzalocastil@...			
REP. DOM	Mr. Generoso Castillo	P		Mr. Alberto Feliz	P	
STA LUCIA	Ms. Marcelline M. Alexander		myrtle.alexan@...			
SURINAME	Ms. Charlene Soerodimedjo	P	csoro@gm...			
TTO	Mr. Navin Gayapersad		vice.president@...	Mr. Christopher Joachim		jot.officer@t...
USA	Ms. Rena Wang	P	renawang@b...	Ms. Linda French	P	lfrenchlaw@u...
URUGUAY	Mr. Jorge Rosales	P	gralrosales@...			
VENEZUELA	Mrs. Dhayisbel Torrealba	P	presidencia@...	Mr. Luis Fernando Montilla		luisfernmont@...

APOLOGIES



2. PROCEDURES & ROLL CALL QUORUM

Mr. German Valdez took the floor and provide a brief explanation on the process of the virtual AGM, he explained the process for casting the votes as follow:

- When the voting poll starts, the chair will call the poll OPENED and when ready to stop the round, the chair will call the poll CLOSED. The poll will appear on the screen and only the voting delegates will be able to cast the vote, they will have 1 minute to select their vote either 'YES' or 'NO' and click the submit button to be counted, they cannot change their vote after submitting.
- When the 1-minute timeframe is over, the poll will be closed and this will be seen in your devices, results for each item of the agenda will be displayed, the number of votes cast and their equivalent percentage. We will be working with simple majority if other condition is applied at any specific item, it will be announced before voting.
- Finally, Mr. Valdez remind that the entire event was being recorded and will be available online thereafter.

Mr. German Valdez reported that for the purpose of the quorum Badminton Pan America Confederation has 36 members, and the number of members that submitted the delegate forms were 26, which were: ARG, ARU, BAR, BOL, BRA, CAN, CHI, COL, CRC, CUB, ECU, ESA, GUY, HAI, JAM, MEX, PAN, PER, DOM, LSA, SUR TTO, USA, URU, VEN, MTQ, all in good standing. The number of members that logged at the time were 21 members. Therefore, the quorum was reached according to BPAC Bylaws art.19.

The first item in the agenda is to ratify the scrutineer, Mr. Javier Ramirez Gaston (PER), who have checked/validate the names of the members and their voting delegates, confirming that it is all according to BPAC Bylaws.

Proposal – To ratify the proposed scrutineer.

The voting procedure was opened, following the voting period, the results were displayed and announced, being as follows:

- 17 votes "YES" for the proposal and this represented 100 % of total votes cast.
- 0 votes "NO" for the proposal and this represented 0 % of total votes cast.

3. CONFIRMING VIRTUAL AGM 2020

Mr. Vishu Tolan remark that the outbreak of COVID-19 virus has had an unprecedented impact in the world with its social and economic consequences. The primary responsibility of BPAC is to protect the health and safety of our community and that it is why it was decided with the approval of the MA to organize this virtual AGM, so there is no health risk for anyone involved. As face-to-face meeting was very unlikely to happen given the severity of the current situation. Therefore, after evaluations, it was asked to the MA's about the proposal for a virtual AGM, 23 members replied from which 19 members were in favour and 4 members were against, appreciating the replies and comments about this.



**Badminton
Pan America**

Proposal – To ratify the 2020 virtual AGM

The voting procedure was opened, following the voting period, the results were displayed and announced, being as follows:

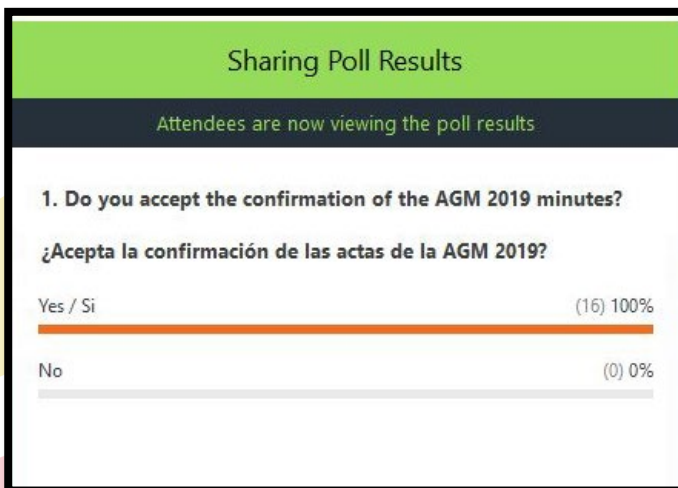


4. MINUTES APPROVAL - AGM 2019

Mr. Vishu Tolan informed that, the minutes of the 2019 AGM Nanning, China were circulated to the members, and that having not received any feedback, it was put to the members for confirmation.

Proposal – To approve the minutes of the 2019 AGM.

The voting procedure was opened, following the voting period, the results were displayed and announced, being as follows:

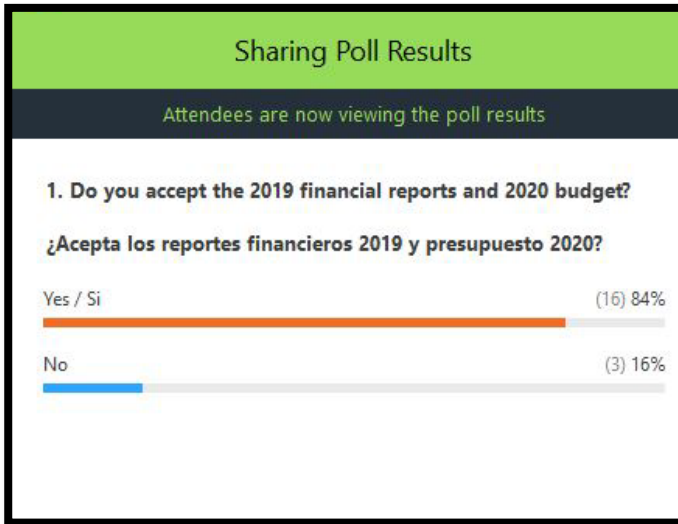


5. AREA REPORTS

This item relates to the acceptance of the individual reports and 2020 budget, there were published and sent on October 29th, summarizing BPAC activities in 2019 up to May 2020.

Proposal – To accept the 2019 reports, including the 2019 financial report and 2020 budget.

The voting procedure was opened, following the voting period, the results were displayed and announced, being as follows:



Mr. Vishu Tolan acknowledge that only 1 comment was received from Badminton Peru on financial document presentations.

Giving the floor to COO, Mr. Valdez, he explained that the presentation made was according to BWF requirements and as such our Treasurer, Mr. Somers, complied with all requirements from BWF office. Also explained that for year 2020 and onwards, as all expenses and costs would be managed in lima, then the presentation of Financial States would be updated to local requirements.

6. COO REPORT UPDATE

Mr. Vishu Tolan handled the floor to Mr. German Valdez (BPAC COO), who commented on some updates that were recently received:

MA's BWF Grant; it was informed that 14 associations received their grant, additional 5 more MA's request were in process and by then they could have received it. Also, noted that 4 associations were pending on transfer details and 7 associations (GUF, LSA, MTQ, GUA, JAM, PAN, PAR) were pending to send to BWF the signed agreement.

Events and Qualification System; it was informed that BWF sanctioned the pending events towards qualification for Tokyo Olympics. Meaning that Cuba, Peru, Guatemala and Pan Am will be able to host their events with qualification points. The international Challenge in Canada will be cancelled due to local status.

CC Events; traditionally, we have our 3 CC Events taking place every year. For 2021 we have on week 7 (February) our Mixed Team Championships, on week 17 (April) our individual Event and in July our Junior Championships. As mentioned, Canada will not be able to host events in coming months, meaning at that time an uncertain status for our Mixed Team Event. For the Continental Individual

championships, it has been confirmed by BWF and will take place in week 17 in Guatemala City. Please keep in mind this is a qualification event granting points towards Tokyo Games. Finally, our Junior Championships will take place in the month of July in Mexico and final dates are being worked out by the local association.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Vishu Tolan make the remark that at the end of the AGM in Nanning, the new Ex-Co met and recommended the following persons to serve on the ExCo as per Article 31.12. Under normal circumstances and time permitting, this decision would have been brought back to the AGM for ratification. Unfortunately, this could not be done. However, both persons have been participating and contributing to the effective running of BPAC since May 2019. It is with that in mind that this proposal is brought to this AGM.

Proposal – To ratify the recommended and approved persons by ExCo in May 2019

- Vice President Administration – Mr. Zarko Cukic
- Vice President Communication – Mr. Gokarn Ramdhani

The voting procedure was opened, following the voting period, the results were displayed and announced, being as follows:



8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The proposed date for the next Annual General Meeting will be May 22nd, 2021, in conjunction with the TOTAL BWF Sudirman Cup 2021 in Suzhou, China, pending confirmation.



**Badminton
Pan America**

9. CLOSING REMARKS / ADJOURNEMENT

Mr. Vishu Tolan thanked everybody for taking the time on their busy agenda to join the AGM.

He advises that they are far advanced in making the recommended changes and improvements to our constitution working with BWF. In due time, it will be outlined the necessary procedures and timelines that will guide our consultation with our members to ensure full participation as we move together to strengthen our constitution and by extension Good Governance.

He thanks Pan Am Ex-Co members for their support and assistance. (Anil, Chepe, Generoso, Gonzalo, Javier, and Wayne; Zarko and Gokarn).

Meeting was adjourned at 11.03am by Mr. Vishu Tolan.
