

Kelab Sukan Pulau Pinang

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE PSC HASH SECTION HELD ON SUNDAY, 7th APRIL 2024 AT 7.00 P.M. AT THE CONFERENCE ROOM, PENANG SPORTS CLUB, PENANG.

Present :

Mr. Nagarajan (N00135)	-Captain
Mr. Tamildesiyan (TM0632)	-Vice-Captain
Mrs. Danaletchumy (TM0892)	-Convenor
Mr. Pardip Singh Masawan (TM1172)	-Treasurer
Dato Ragindran (TM0952)	-Committee Member
Mrs. Gurmit Kaur A/P Juswan Singh (TM0155)	-Committee Member
Mrs. Elavarasi (TM0553)	-Committee Member

1	Mr. Chandrasegaran A/L A Arujunan	C00450	16	Datin G. Puvaneswary A/P V.K. Govindan	TM0122
2	Mrs. Nallamah A/P Subramaniam	C00450-P	17	Prof Emeritus Dr Sureswaran Ramadass	TM0334
3	Mr. Hira Singh A/L Gurmej Singh	H00169	18	Mrs. Vena Jaganathan	TM0334-P
4	Mrs. Gurmit Kaur A/P Inder Singh	H00169-P	19	Mrs. Puveneswary A/P Rajanindren	TM0342-P
5	Mr. Jayaram Ramalingam	J00079	20	Mr. Shateskumar A/L Murugasen	TM0432
6	Mr. Kumar P Krishnamani	K00297	21	Datuk V.M. Ravindran	TM0474
7	Mr. Letchumanan A/L Ramaswamy	L00521	22	Mr. Suresh Kumar A/L Mahardevan	TM0480
8	Mrs. Indra A/P Taniscody	L00521-P	23	Mr. Ravichandran A/L Periasamy Pillai	TM0481
9	Mrs. Santhi A/P Manikam Achari	N00135-P	24	Mrs. Santhy A/P Muniyandy	TM0481-P
10	Mr. Pritam Singh Gill A/L Mehar Singh	P00050	25	Mr. Rajanderan A/L Krishnasamy	TM0553-P
11	Mr. Ratna Kumar A/L Krishnan	R00089	26	Mrs. Lechumi A/P P. Subramaniam	TM0665
12	Mr. Reshminder Singh A/L Inder Singh	R00125	27	Mrs. Pileahma A/P Vellahsamy @ Devi	TM0671
13	Dato' Dr S. Shankar	S00222	28	Mr. Balram A/L Vadivello	TM1019
14	Mr. Teja Singh Penesar	T00132	29	Mrs. Thilakawathi A/P H.A Pahiappuhamy	TM1019-P
15	Mr. Ajitpal Singh A/L Gopal Singh	TM0075	30	Mrs. Pushphelata A/P Ganison	TM1094-P

In attendance:	Ms. Nursyafiqah	- Club Manager
	Ms. Janani	- Assistant Club Manager
	Mr. Safwan	- Sports Officer

- 1.1 Captain Mr. Nagarajan (N00135) welcomed the Members present for the Annual General Meeting and thanked the section Members, hashes and harriers present for attending the Annual General Meeting and he called the meeting to order at 7.05 pm as the last count attendance was recorded at 25.

Captain stated that, along with the committee, the section has organized numerous activities and puts forth their best efforts. He welcomed feedback from committee members, assuring them that it would be shared with the upcoming committee to enhance and resolve any issues.

Captain mentioned that he has served as Captain for two terms and that the new committee will take charge starting 1st May 2024. He emphasized to the new Hash section members that the formation of the Hash Section was not simply a request to the Club, it required presenting the proposal at the club's AGM and passing a resolution. Those who put in the effort to form the Hash Section are eager to see it continue its legacy.

Captain shared that he served as Captain from 2022 to 2024, crediting the entire committee for their support. He highlighted efforts to enhance the Hash experience, drawing on his 20 years as a hasher and his leadership roles with Indian Association Penang Hash and Penang Men Hash (Batang Hash). Captain expressed his gratitude and congratulated the Hash Section committee, including those who left early, like Mr. Balram and Mr. Thanaraj Pillai, for their excellent work on T-shirts and banners. He especially thanked Committee Member, Mrs. Gurmit Kaur A/P Juswan Singh (TM0155), for her dedication in creating banners and T-shirts, managing to balance her busy schedule while making the process smoother.

Captain stated that the windbreakers, costing RM50 each, were contributed by four committee members and two external sponsors. He also thanked Mr. Balram for sponsoring the caps and expressed gratitude to those who provided food and drinks over the past two years. Additionally, he informed everyone that the lineup for the next term committee has been discussed in previous section meetings.

Captain informed that he raised a concern during the Sports Coordinating Committee meeting regarding the Past-Captain position on the section committee. He noted that only the club has a position for an Immediate Past President, which allows the Past-Captain to take accountability and clarify any matters involving the previous committee. He was informed that there is currently no provision for a Past-Captain position on the current section committee. If the section insists on having this position in the current committee, the matter must be brought up at the club's AGM.

Captain announced that he would raise this issue at the upcoming AGM and encouraged section members to show their support if they attend. He also expressed concern that the section was denied permission to display a roll-up banner in the lobby and a trail map in the pavilion. Additionally, Captain informed everyone that committee members attended the SCC meeting to stay informed, but current club rules only allow the Captain or one of the section committee, in the Captain's absence, to attend these meetings.

The captain encouraged committee members to participate in the run and to elect those

who would join. He announced that the new SOP discussed at the previous Hash Section AGM requires maintaining the status quo, particularly concerning the host inviting guests for the run.

Datuk. V.M. Ravindran (TM0474) highlighted Hash attire, Captain said that the SOP did not mention during the Run or post Run. Captain asserted that the Bye Laws has to be followed without deviation. Captain recalled that there was EBC expedition including by Mr. Chandrasegaran (C00450) and Mr. Govindaraju (G00051) and Mr. Vijaya Kumar (V00031) initiated the contribution.

Captain thanked everyone who contributed and mentioned that Mr. Hira Singh (H00169) suggested using paper markers. However, to minimize paper usage, over the past two years we have started using markers instead. The Penang Hikers Round Table sponsored these markers, and the PSC Hash group is a pioneer in using reusable options. Captain informed that reusable markers were tested during the Anniversary Run and Interport Hash Run, and he suggested that RSC use them for the upcoming Inter Club Run from 21st to 23rd June 2024, with around 14 clubs agreeing to this approach. He announced that, according to Penang Hikers Captain Mr. Tony Tan, they are leading in the use of reusable markers, which cost RM20 each and were sponsored by CIMB Bank through Penang Hikers.

Captain expressed gratitude on behalf of the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 committees to the Club President, SCC Chairman, Treasurer, Past President Mr. Lee Aun Tiang, club members, management, staff, bar boys, restaurant operators, food outlet operators, and sponsors. He specifically thanked the President, highlighting that the section has an annual allocation of three barrels of beer. Over the past two years, the President has generously allocated an additional barrel each year.

2 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 6 APRIL 2023 & MATTERS ARISING THEREFROM

- 2.1 The minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed, proposed by Datuk. V.M. Ravindran (TM0474) and seconded by Mr. Chandrasegaran (C00450).
- 2.2 There were no matters arising.

3 TO CONFIRM AND APPROVE THE STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR 2023

- 3.1 The section's account showed it closed with a surplus of RM 5,273.44 as at 31st December 2023.
- 3.2 Mr. Ratna Kumar (R00089) inquired about the weekly run dinner ordered from Al Sheikh Catering Sdn Bhd, as he couldn't recall section ordering from them. Chairman clarified that an accounting mistake had occurred, resulting in the charges being applied to the Hash Section's accounts. He assured that the funds would be offset by the end of the day.
- 3.3 Mr. Ratna Kumar (R00089) inquired about the RM50 deducted from Section members for the Sungai Petani 11th Triangular Run on 6th May 2023, and whether the funds were intended to be returned to the Section, as they had not been reimbursed to members. Chairman replied that to receive money from the Club, we need to go through proper approval process, so we had to collect the money from Members first. He stated that he

will check and revert to Section Members.

3.4 Mr. Hira Singh (H00169) boldly questioned why the account statement shows no expenditure for beer. Chairman clarified that some expenses are reflected, but others are missing because the beer bill was submitted late.

3.5 Prof. Emeritus Dr. Sureswaran (TM0334) inquired about a cheque for RM1,000 from YB, payable to the Club Hash Section. Chairman stated that this issue should have been raised during the last year Section AGM, as it dates back to 2020, and the Section's accounts had already been approved by the members. Nevertheless, he mentioned that he would look into the matter.

The 2023 statement of accounts was proposed by Mr. Hira Singh (H00169) and seconded by Datuk. V.M. Ravindran (TM0474).

4 TO ELECT OFFICE BEARERS FOR THE PERIOD MAY 2024 TO APRIL 2025

4.1 The following members were proposed accordingly for the respective posts.

Position	Name	Proposed By	Seconded By
i) Captain	Mr. Tamildesiyan A/L Munisamy	Mr. Nagarajan A/L Subramaniam	Mr. Hira Singh A/L Gurmej Singh

There being no other nominations, Ms. Elavarasi proposed and seconded by Mr. Chandrasegaran A/L A Arujunan that nomination to be closed Mr. Tamildesiyan was duly elected as the Captain.

Position	Name	Proposed By	Seconded By
ii) Vice-Captain	Dato' Ragindran S/O Sivasamy	Mr. Tamildesiyan A/L Munisamy	Mr. Nagarajan A/L Subramaniam

There being no other nominations, Mr. Hira Singh A/L Gurmej Singh proposed and seconded by Mr. Chandrasegaran A/L A Arujunan that nomination to be closed. Dato' Ragindran S/O Sivasamy was duly elected as the Vice-Captain.

Position	Name	Proposed By	Seconded By
iii) Convenor	Ms. Gurmit Kaur A/P Juswan Singh	Mr. Nagarajan A/L Subramaniam	Ms. Vena Jaganathan

There being no other nominations, Mdm. Nallamah A/P Subramaniam proposed and seconded by Mr. Hira Singh A/L Gurmej Singh that nomination to be closed. Ms. Gurmit Kaur A/P Juswan Singh was duly elected as the Convenor.

Position	Name	Proposed By	Seconded By
iv) Treasurer	Mr. Pardip Singh Masawan	Mr. Tamildesiyan A/L Munisamy	Ms. Elavarasi A/P Nadarajan

There being no other nominations, Mr. Hira Singh A/L Gurmej Singh proposed and seconded by Dato' Ragindran S/O Sivasamy that nomination to be closed. Mr. Pardip Singh Masawan was duly elected as the Treasurer.

iv) To elect 4 Committee Members

The following members were proposed and seconded by:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Proposed By</u>	<u>Seconded By</u>
Ms. Thilakawathi A/P H.A Pahiappuhamy	Mr. Hira Singh A/L Gurmej Singh	Mdm. Nallamah A/P Subramaniam
Ms. Elavarasi A/P Nadarajan	Mr. Tamildesiyan A/L Munisamy	Ms. Lechumi A/P P. Subramaniam
Mr. M Ramanathan A/L Meyyappa Chettiar	Mr. Hira Singh A/L Gurmej Singh	Ms. Santhi A/P Manikam Achari
Mr. Nagarajan A/L Subramaniam	Mr. Tamildesiyan A/L Munisamy	Mr. Ajitpal Singh

There being no other nominations, Mdm. Nallamah A/P Subramaniam proposed and seconded by Mr. Chandrasegaran A/L A Arujunan that nomination to be closed. Ms. Thilakawathi A/P H.A Pahiappuhamy, Ms. Elavarasi A/P Nadarajan, Mr. M Ramanathan A/L Meyyappa Chettiar and Mr. Nagarajan A/L Subramaniam were duly elected as the Committee Members.

5 ANY OTHER MATTERS

- 5.1 Mr. Chandrasegaran (C00450) clarified that he received a token of appreciation for the EBC Expedition. However, after receiving a message from someone regarding this matter, he and his team comprising Datin Puvaneswary, Mr. Govindaraju, and Mr. Michael decided to return the token.
- 5.2 Mr. Chandrasegaran(C00450) raised regarding Tag System in Hash, as Hash Member for 28 years, he is not against tag system but must understand that Hash got lot of systems like Circle, Check-Back and Make & Check, if there are danger point like bee in that area or wild dog in that area, a Bar would be placed, this kind of technique could not be used in tag system. We can make it with paper, later we can take it out.

Captain mentioned that he is adopting a softer approach to the Tag System and has taken note of Mr. Chandrasegaran's points. The primary reason for using tag markers is to minimize litter on the tracks. He also indicated that we need to conduct some testing to assess its effectiveness.

Datin G. Puvaneswary (TM0122) stated that if the aim is to avoid littering, tags could also be lost, emphasizing that paper is a better alternative to plastic tags. Mr. Reshminder Singh (R00125) added that hikers need to be educated on environmental concerns, highlighting that the risk of using paper is significantly lower than that of plastic, which poses greater hazards.

Mr. Hira Singh (H00169) pointed out that both the hikers and hashers groups may not fully grasp that paper marking cannot be substituted, especially during invitation runs where paper is necessary. Mr. Pritam Singh Gill (P00050) added that sweepers can easily collect the paper tags afterward.

- 5.3 Mr. Ratna Kumar (R00089) inquired about the criteria the committee uses to determine which runs are subsidized. The Chairman explained that the club provides a

Home/Away Subsidy for domestic runs, with a maximum of 15, and for international runs, a maximum of 5. Additionally, the total amount for entrance, registration, and affiliation fees for each sporting section per term shall not exceed RM 3,500. Mr. Ratna suggested that subsidized runs should be published and promoted more effectively to raise awareness. Mr. Hira Singh (H00169) added that these subsidized runs could also be announced during regular runs to keep members informed.

- 5.4 Datuk. V.M. Ravindran (TM0474) expressed his gratitude to the outgoing committee for their contributions.

There being no other matters, the meeting ended at 8.36 p.m. with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Chairman