

OCEANIA TABLE TENNIS FEDERATION

A Continental Federation of the
International Table Tennis Federation



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STRUCTURE OF OTTF

PRESIDENT OTTF

Nominated by their country and elected at the OTTF BGM in the year of the Olympic Games. Holds office for a 4-year period. The person should be experienced with International matters and also at some stage held roles in National and Local administration. It is preferable but not a requirement that the person not be involved with any National or Local associations during the term of office. Also nominees must be prepared to travel overseas, generally once a year but there could be other occasions. Trips will be subsidised but not fully funded

ITTF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Currently Oceania is allocated 3 positions on the Board of Directors (formerly Council). This is based on number of associations in the region controlled by the Continental Federation.

Persons interested in the position must be nominated by their country and elected at the OTTF BGM in the year of the Olympic Games and then nominated to the ITTF AGM in the following year. Term is for 4 years. As with the President, nominees must have some International experience and be prepared to travel to meetings generally only once a year. Trips will be subsidised but not fully funded.

PLEASE NOTE

For the ITTF positions, the people elected are then put forward to the ITTF AGM by their own countries for ratification and take up their duties after the ITTF AGM has concluded.

OTTF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The Management Committee is made up of the President and ITTF Board Members plus 3 ordinary members who must be nominated by their country and are elected at the OTTF BGM in the year of the Olympic Games. Term is for 4 years. No more than two members from the same Association may be elected to the Management Committee and only one per association as ordinary members and one/association for the board members (including the President)

DIRECTOR FINANCE

There is provision in the constitution for a Director of Finance and this is allocated to a Management Committee member with financial knowledge. The Executive Director controls all funds and financial records and works in conjunction with the Finance Director to present any reports required..

OTTF VICE-PRESIDENT

This is not an elected position and is elected from within the Management Committee.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Appointed position and part paid.

Runs the administrative office of OTTF

Manages all finances and financial records in conjunction with the Director Finance

DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

Appointed position and fully paid

Manages the Development program in conjunction with the ITTF Executive Director Development Programs and OTTF President

Visits Oceania member countries for development & solidarity visits and is in contact with non-member countries to attempt to bring them into the fold of Oceania.

FINANCE

Oceania Table Tennis derives its income from the following areas:-

1. Memberships Fees
2. Olympic Games
3. International Table Tennis Federation
4. Oceania National Olympic Committee
5. TMS International (ITTF Marketing arm)
6. Sponsors

Membership Fees

During 2001 the ITTF changed its fee structure. Instead of charging every association on their books, over 200 of them, they now charge the Continental Federation by deducting the funds from their Olympic money based on the number of affiliated associations in the region. Accordingly Continental Federations can charge what they like to the countries. Some Federations, especially Africa and Latin America were in the habit of subsidising countries who were not very well off anyway so now it can be done easily.

Oceania decided to adopt a split fee structure in which the better off nations would be charged a higher fee similar to the old ITTF fee and smaller nations would be subsidised. This was to try and get these smaller nations up and running with the sport. It was also decided to charge amounts in US Dollars in line with the ITTF. Thus Australia, New Zealand, New Caledonia and Tahiti would be charged USD\$170-00 (now USD\$200-00) ea per year and the remainder would be charged USD\$50-00ea per year. This would be a one fee charge only and not two fees as was in the past. The idea was accepted and implemented in 2001.

Olympic Games

Each International Sporting Federation that participates in the Olympic Games is allocated a share of the spoils and this is paid in instalments each year over the 4 years in between games. This is then split between all Continental Federations. Half of the funds are allocated to development and withheld from the payment and then given quarterly with the regular quarterly Development funding allocation. The CF are free to do what ever they want with the rest of the money but generally a good proportion of it will go for administrative work where needed.

International Table Tennis Federation Development Funding

Funds from this source must be 100% utilised for Development Work. Payment of Development Officers wages, travelling, accommodation, meals and administration associated with Development Work can be deducted from these funds

Oceania National Olympic Committee

Funds from this source must also be utilised for Development Work and goes hand in hand with ITTF development funding.

Marketing

At this stage no marketing items are available but we are now looking at a range of items as we increase our marketing profile in the region.

In 2009 a deal with TMS International was agreed and signed to promote and bring high class table tennis to the region. Marketing is an important part of this deal and will be pursued by the Development Officer and the President together with the considerable assistance of TMS International.

