



**BOARD MEETING**  
Sydney Yacht Squadron  
*Wednesday 19 February 2014 at 6.00pm*

**MINUTES**

**Attendees:** Ivan Adlam (President), Bryan Weir (Deputy President), Stephen Handley, Deanna Fekete, Miranda Bennett, Andrew Gannon and Tony Blower (Secretary)

**Apologies:** Chris Noel, Sam Crosby, Bronwen Watson

**1. WELCOME**

6.00pm - I Adlam welcomed the Directors to the February Board meeting of Rowing NSW Inc

**2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING**

2.1 Previous Meetings Minutes

Motion: To accept the minutes of the 22 January 2014 RNSW Board Meeting as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Motion; Carried

2.2 Business Arising

The CEO tabled the Board action sheet. A verbal update on the status of pending items to be actioned from previous minutes was provided.

2.3 Matters arising

i) Discussion was held following a report from S Handley and D Fekete regarding voting rights for clubs. More information was requested and a paper is to be prepared and distributed for the next meeting.

ACTION; A Blower

ii) Discussion was held about giving some feedback to members regarding the surveys that are undertaken at the end of each regatta.

ACTION; A Blower

### 3. RNSW PROGRAMS

#### 3.1 Regattas

One regatta was conducted in the period.

	2013		
Regattas	Entries	Seats	Athletes
Taree Summer Regatta	1238	3014	610

2014		
Entries	Seats	Athletes
1312	3122	638

#### 3.2 Membership Analysis

2010/11 Total Membership of Rowing NSW	4,146
2011/12 Total Membership of Rowing NSW	4,649
2012/13 Total Membership of Rowing NSW	4,757

	January '13	January '14	Total: 2012/13
Metro Comp	774	829	859
Metro Jnr	1664	1641	1904
Regional Comp	382	350	406
Regional Jnr	428	446	442
Supporting	43	24	52
Official	230	263	256
AAGPS Jnr	532	762	553
Recreational	143	211	207
Patron	77	77	78
	4273	4576	4757

The membership renewal rate is ahead of last season's figures by 303 individual's year to date.

#### **4. FINANCE REPORT**

The detailed December management of accounts are provided in the meeting papers.  
Summary assessment of accounts for each department:

- i) Operations –Income is running above budget for the month and above budget by over 30K year to date due to both club and RNSW regatta seat fees being above budget. Annual events are also in line with budget with Bentleys paying the ERG Challenge .Operations expenses are currently over budget for the month and YTD. Overall we have made large investments in both BRO equipment and the maintenance of existing BRO Equipment. Regatta equipment including all radios were serviced and faulty parts replaced. We purchased new megaphones and catamarans .While this has mainly affected balance sheet, expenses have been incurred in customs charges and service and travel costs.
- ii) Development –No Income generating activities in this reporting period. Development Income is in line with budget YTD. Expenditure is in line for the year and ahead for the month due to RA charges for coaching NCAS levies.
- iii) Administration – Income for the reporting period is slightly behind for the month and YTD. We are slightly down YTD in Metro Junior memberships but that will catch up as school regattas start. And also in sponsorships which we will catch up on in February with State Championship sponsorship. Admin expenses are in line for the month but still slightly over YTD.
- iv) Overall for the Year we are running below budget by \$18,000

Motion; To accept the Finance report  
Motion; Carried

Finance Committee was charged by the board to examine investment alternatives to the term deposits that we currently have our investable surplus funds deposited in.

ACTION; Finance Committee

#### **5. BOARD MATTERS**

5.1 The State Championship regatta was discussed in general; a full analysis will be undertaken for the next meeting

5.2 Preparations for the Kings and Queens Cup lunch were noted. The attendance of the state minister of sport was noted.

5.3 It was noted that SIRR 2014 only required Rowing NSW to provide Umpire boats to the regatta

5.4 Discussion was held regarding Elite Club Funding by Rowing Australia and the need for transparency in this area was stressed. Further enquiries are to be made of Rowing Australia.

5.5 A protocol for working with children was discussed. It was felt that we would wait till the new Member Protection Plan was delivered from Rowing Australia before we made any changes.

5.6 State Masters Crews were discussed and a paper read by D Fekete. It was agreed that we would call for submissions into a review of the Masters State Team selection process to be requested for May 2014 with a review to be conducted by the Competition Commission by July 2014.

5.7 A Deed of Licence between Rowing NSW and the Department of Education and Communities, Sport and Recreation was discussed and agreed with respect to the premises occupied by Rowing NSW.

Motion; That the CEO be given the authority of the Board of Rowing NSW to execute the Deed

Motion; Carried

## 6. GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 A recommendation from the Competition Committee that the Board approve the following crews for the interstate regatta was tabled;

Nell Slattery Trophy W1x  
Anna O'Brien (UTS)

President's Cup M1x  
Sasha Belonogoff (SUBC)

Victoria Cup WL4x

1. Sarah Pound (UTS)
2. Laura Dunn (UTS)
3. Holly Lawrence (SUWRC)
4. Georgia Miansarow (MRC)
- Reserve Jessica Hudson (UNSW)

Penrith Cup ML4-

1. Edward De Carvalho (SUBC)
2. Richard Coakley (MRC)
3. Simon Nola (SRC)
4. William Clark (MRC)

No reserve nominated

Queens Cup W8+

1. Leah Saunders (SRC)
2. Rachael Kiely (MRC)
3. Amy Clay (MRC)
4. Tess Gerrand (SRC)
5. Ellena Winstanley (SUWRC)
6. Coco Bryant (MRC)
7. Kelly Parker (UTS)
8. Elizabeth Halsall (UTS)
- Reserve Laura Honson (UTS)

Cox: Kendall Brodie (SRC)

Motion; That the crews nominated by the Competition Commission be approved as state crews for the purpose of the interstate regatta 2014

Motion; Carried

6.2 Discussion was held regarding correspondence from the office of the Australian Honours and Awards Secretariat.

6.3 Discussion was held with respect to the status of the lease from Crown Land, Maritime to DRC Rowers.

There being no other business the President declared the meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

Ivan Adlam  
President

Anthony Blower  
Board Secretary

Next Meeting 19 March at 6:00pm (Kirribilli)