



BOARD MEETING
Sydney Yacht Squadron
Wednesday 16 July 2014 at 6.00pm

MINUTES

Attendees: Ivan Adlam (President), Bryan Weir (Deputy President), Deanna Fekete, Stephen Handley, Bronwen Watson, Miranda Bennett, Chris Noel, Sam Crosby and Tony Blower (Secretary)

Apologies: Nil

Absent: Andrew Gannon

1. WELCOME

6.00pm - I Adlam welcomed the Directors to the July 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 18 June 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

2.3.1 The Draft Maritime plans for the usage of our waterways by rowers was discussed and a USB was made available for the latest draft.

2.3.2 An update of the Coaching Education review is sort
Action; A Blower

3. Rowing NSW Programs

3.1 Regattas

No regatta were conducted in the period

3.2 Membership Analysis

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| 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 |
| 2013/14 Total Membership of Rowing NSW | 4,875 |

| | June '13 | June '14 | Total: 2013/14 |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Metro Comp | 31 | 69 | 921 |
| Metro Jnr | 5 | 24 | 1832 |
| Regional Comp | 22 | 15 | 361 |
| Regional Jnr | 2 | 13 | 457 |
| Supporting | - | 1 | 27 |
| Official | 9 | 14 | 283 |
| AAGPS Jnr | - | - | 619 |
| Recreational | 6 | 17 | 280 |
| Patron | 78 | 78 | 78 |
| | 152 | 231 | 4875 |

The membership renewal rate is ahead of last season's figures by 79 individuals year to date.

4. Finance Report

- Summary assessment of accounts for each department:
 - i. Operations –Income is above budget for the month and above budget by over 50K for the year to date due to RNSW regatta seat fees being above budget and the extra unbudgeted income from the SIRR regatta. Equipment hire is also high due to catamaran hire for SIRR Operation expenses are in line for the month and slightly ahead budget for the year. Operations have done well for the year.
 - ii. Development –Coaching course fees is the main income source in this reporting period. Development Income and development expenses are in line with budget.

- iii. Administration – Income for the reporting period is slightly above budget for the month and is in line with budget YTD.

Overall we are finishing in line with budget- The Steptoe disbursement is still to be expensed as we are waiting on bank statements etc but will be roughly an expense of \$3688. As audit is not complete there may still be some adjustments to take up for year end.

Motion; To accept the Finance report
Motion; Carried

5 BOARD MATTERS

5.1 Discussion regarding the agenda on the Rowing Australia half year meeting in Melbourne

5.2 Discussion was held regarding Rowing Australia's Whole of Sport policies in general and the Match Fixing Policy in particular. It was felt that, under the provisions of RA's constitution and the proposed wording of RNSW revised constitution, all Member States are bound by policies as adopted by RA and appropriate communication of additional or updated polices to our constituent members should be sufficient to satisfy RA's requirements. To be discussed with the RA Board later this month.

Action: I. Adlam

5.3 A preliminary review was conducted of the metrics of the Strategic Plan to 30 June. A full review of the Strategic Plan will be conducted in October.

5.4 Discussion was held regarding the Office Bearers and Commissions of Rowing NSW. It was felt that a full review of all positions and Commissions be undertaken. A paper is to be prepared in order that the Board may better understand the implications of refreshing all positions.

Action; C Noel

5.5 Discussion was held regarding a change in our constitution to move over time to three year terms for directors. A paper and a draft notice of meeting is to be prepared for the next meeting.

Action; B Weir

6 GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 Discussion was held regarding the practice of American Universities offering scholarships to our school leavers with a view to finding a common position to put to Rowing Australia.

6.2 The CEO reported on discussions with Urban Growth and Maritime regarding the development of a boat shed on Homebush Bay.

There being no other business the President declared the meeting closed at 8.45 pm.

Ivan Adlam
President

Anthony Blower
Board Secretary

Next Meeting 20 August at 6:00pm (Kirribilli)