



BOARD MEETING
Sydney Yacht Squadron
Wednesday 17 June 2015 at 6.00pm

MINUTES

Attendees: Ivan Adlam (President), Miranda Bennett, Deanna Fekete, Danika Wright, Liam James, Fiona Toose, and Tony Blower (Secretary)

Apologies: Bronwen Watson

Leave of Absence: Stephen Handley

1. Welcome

6.00pm - I Adlam welcomed the Directors to the June 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 20 May 2015 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.

3. Rowing NSW Programs

3.1 Regattas

Regattas	2014			2015		
	Entries	Seats	Athletes	Entries	Seats	Athletes
Iron Cove Masters	155	472	191	283	892	356
NRRA Masters	176	487	159	127	302	99
Rowing NSW Masters	722	2133	565	793	2464	689
AMRC	-	4000	-		5410	1146

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
2013/14 Total Membership of Rowing NSW	4,875

	May '14	May '15	Total: 2014/15
Metro Comp	921	968	921
Metro Jnr	1832	1853	1832
Regional Comp	361	402	361
Regional Jnr	457	468	457
Supporting	27	23	27
Official	283	267	283
AAGPS Jnr	619	427	619
Recreational	280	262	280
Patron	78	80	78
	4857	4749	4857

The membership renewal rate is behind last season's figures by 108 individuals year to date

4. Finance Report

The detailed May management of accounts are provided in the meeting papers.

- Summary assessment of accounts for each department:
 - 4.1 Operations –Income is above budget for the month by over 262K and above budget YTD by 321K. The Australian Masters Regatta was an outstanding success making a profit of over 100K. Originally not included in the budget as negotiations were still in play when budget was produced. The State Masters also was well attended and over budget by 5k. Operations expenses also reflect unbudgeted amount for National Masters Regatta.
 - 4.2 Development–Income for the month relates to a level 1 coach course, otherwise no other revenue for development .In May due to State and National masters. Income is slightly behind budget for the year .Development Expenses for the month are behind budget.
 - 4.3 Administration –Income for the reporting period is in line with budget for the month and year to date. Membership income is significantly above budget. All other administration income is in line. Administration expenses are above budget for the month due extra admin staff to cover extra events during this period.
 - 4.4 Overall Year to date we are above budget by over 80K with minimal activity expected in June.

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Motion; To accept the Finance report
 Motion; Carried

5. BOARD MATTERS

5.1 Further discussions were held regarding the strategic plan and it was agreed that we would seek input from the club presidents

Action; I Adlam to present the current draft of the strategic plan as a discussion item at the presidents meeting on 18 June to seek input as to the best way forward.

5.2 Discussion held regarding the Casual Vacancy of the Deputy President

Motion; To Appoint Stephen Donnelley to the vacant position of Deputy President under Section 35 of the Constitution; Casual Vacancies

Motion; Carried

5.3 The Board noted the Summons from the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse and further noted that Rowing NSW has retained the services of Griffin Legal to provide advice in this matter. The Board noted further that we had complied with the Summons and provided documents to the Commission by the due date of 15 June.

5.4 The Board noted the successful running of the largest National Masters ever held in Australia and the Board and congratulated the staff on their efforts.

5.5 Discussed the Annual Budget as prepared and tabled by the Audit and Risk Commission. The Board noted the attendance at the Treasures of F Toose and her report.

Motion; To accept Annual Budget as prepared

Motion; Carried

5.6 The board noted the latest draft of the draft of the Regatta Timetable and Order of Events and further noted the Regatta Forum would occur on Tuesday 23 June

5.7 Discussion was held regarding the AGM of Rowing Australia and it was noted that Bryan Weir, lately of the Board of Rowing NSW, was elected to the Board of Rowing Australia

5.8 The move to a National Members Database was discussed

6 GENERAL BUSINES

6.1 The board noted correspondence from Sydney Rowing Club with respect to the revised By Laws and the increases in entry fees for racing in the 2015/16 season.

6.2 The board noted email correspondence from Leichhardt Rowing Club regarding the increase entry fees for racing in the 2015/16 season.

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

Ivan Adlam
President

Anthony Blower
Board Secretary

Next Meeting 15 July 2015 at 6:00pm (Kirribilli)