



BOARD MEETING
Sydney Yacht Squadron
Wednesday 15 July 2015 at 6.00pm

MINUTES

Attendees: Ivan Adlam (President), Stephen Donnelley (Deputy President), Miranda Bennett, Stephen Handley, Liam James, Fiona Toose and Tony Blower (Secretary)

Apologies: Danika Wright, Bronwen Watson

Absent; Deanna Fekete

1. Welcome

1.1 6.00pm - I Adlam welcomed the Directors to the July Board meeting of Rowing NSW Inc

1.2 The Board warmly welcomed Stephen Donnelley as Deputy President filling a Casual Vacancy

2. Confirmation of Minutes and Business Arising

2.1 Previous Meetings Minutes

The minutes of 20 June will need to be corrected to indicate comment that a discussion was had on proceedings at the Treasure's Meeting held on 10 June

Action A Blower

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.

Discussion held regarding the Premiership Point score.

3. Rowing NSW Programs

3.1 Regattas

Regattas	2014			2015		
	Entries	Seats	Athletes	Entries	Seats	Athletes
Nil	-	-	-	-	-	-

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

	June '14	June '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

- Summary assessment of accounts for each department:
 - i. Operations –Income is above budget for the month by over 149K and above budget YTD by 445K.

Main revenue for the month was in Annual Events in which we had the Annual Presentation Dinner and we held the Under 23 and Under 21, Junior Fundraiser at the Four Seasons Hotel.

The Presentation Dinner made a slight profit of \$1,500.00. The Fundraiser was also a success with an overall profit of over \$73,000.00- which significantly reduced all the athletes Rowing Australia seat fees. On average seat fee of \$7,650 was reduced to \$2,600. Also contributing to this was the generosity of the Bromley Trust who donated over \$1,200.00 to each athlete (excluding Under 21's) NSWIS also contributed \$9,950.00. Operations Expenses are over \$150K above budget again thanks to the Fundraiser. All other operations expenses are in line with budget including the purchase of new BRO gear for the upcoming season.

- ii. Development–Income for the month relates to a level 1 coach course, otherwise no other revenue for development .Income is slightly behind budget for the year .Development Expenses for the month are in line with budget.
- iii. Administration –Income for the reporting period is slightly behind budget for the month and in line year to date. All other administration income is in line. Administration expenses are above budget for the month due to \$20,000 Provision for legal fees. Overall Year to date we are finishing the year with a profit of \$71,255.00. It has been an extremely busy year with many new large events that we did not run in 2013-14. University Games, ISRA regatta, AMRC, Under 21, & 23 Fundraiser etc. Our turnover for the 2014-15 financial year is over **41%** higher than 2013-14.

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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

Action; I Adlam to review the plan and have it posted on the Rowing NSW webpage as a draft

Action; A Blower to prioritise the Tactical Metrics for the September Board Meeting

5.2 Discussion regarding amendments to the By Laws were held.

Motion; To modify the existing By Laws as follows;

By-Law	Current By-Law	Proposed By-Law
1.4.1	1.4.1 Constituent Members wishing to renew their memberships may do so by completing and returning (by mail, facsimile or email) a renewal application in the form attached to these By-Laws as Annexure 1.4A and by paying the membership renewal fee as prescribed in the form.	1.4.1 Deleted
2.8.1	<p>Shields in the following categories may be presented annually by the Association to the Clubs which score the highest number of points in events during the preceding season.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☐ Premiership ☐ Men's Elite (Elite and Under 23) ☐ Women's Elite (Elite and Under 23) ☐ Men's Senior ☐ Women's Senior ☐ Combined Under 21 ☐ Combined Junior ☐ Schoolboy ☐ Schoolgirl ☐ Combined Masters 	<p>Shields in the following categories may be presented annually by the Association to the Clubs which score the highest number of points in events during the preceding season.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☐ Premiership ☐ Men's Elite (Elite and Under 23) ☐ Women's Elite (Elite and Under 23) ☐ Men's Senior ☐ Women's Senior ☐ Combined Under 21 ☐ Combined Junior ☐ Schoolboy ☐ Schoolgirl ☐ Combined Masters ☐ Para Rowing

2.8.2(b)	Men's Elite (Elite and Under 23)- the total of points gained in all Men's Elite, Open and Under 23 Events,	Men's Elite (Elite and Under 23)- the total of points gained in all Men's Elite and Under 23 Events,
2.8.2(c)	Women's Elite (Elite and Under 23) – the total of points gained in all Women's Elite, Open and Under 23 events.	Women's Elite (Elite and Under 23) – the total of points gained in all Women's Elite and Under 23 events.
2.8.2 (k)		Para Rowing – the total of points gained in all Men's and Women's Para Rowing events.

Motion; Carried

5.3 Discussion was held regarding the move to a National Data Base and the need for the system to be able to accommodate Rowing NSW's requirements.

5.4 I Adlam reported on the meeting held with presidents of metropolitan clubs and the need to present the strategic plan to forums of regional and metropolitan club representatives.

5.5 The board ratified the Rowing Timetable and Order of Events for the 2015/16 season and noted the circular resolution affirming this.

5.6 The board noted the revised Rowing Australia Privacy Policy template and endorsed the view that this was much improved and would provide a useful aid to the development of RNSW and NSW club policies.

6 GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 The Board noted the Memo from the Competition Commission with respect to Lightweight limits and agreed that an interim weight limit for lightweight competitors of FISA weight plus 6% to apply up to and including the sprint Champs on 6th December or until such other earlier time as may be necessary to fit in with RA's policies on this issue.

6.2 The Board noted that the Annual Volunteers Lunch would be held on Sunday 26 July at 1.00pm at the Royal Oak Hotel in Balmain.

6.3 The Board noted the Competition Commission recommendation with respect to the selection of the State Selectors.

Motion; That the State Selectors be;

Terry O'Hanlon (Chairman)

Nick Baxter

Gillian Campbell

Motion; Carried

6.4 I Adlam reported on his meetings with the Rowing Australia Council

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 August 2015 at 6:00pm (Kirribilli)