



BOARD MEETING
Sydney Yacht Squadron
Wednesday 20 April 2016 at 6.00pm

MINUTES

Attendees: Ivan Adlam (President), Stephen Donnelley (Deputy President), Sarah Hill, Sarah Cook, Stephen Handley, Deanna Fekete, Danika Wright, Liam James, Fiona Toose and Tony Blower

Apologies: Nil

Guests: Peter Stahel, Peter Lewis (Essential Media)

1. Welcome

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

2. Essential Media representatives Peter Stahel and Peter Lewis presented to the Board the implications of the Public Relation campaign against the Rhodes Wharf.

3. Confirmation of Minutes and Business Arising

3.1 Previous Meetings Minutes

Motion: To accept the minutes of the 16 March 2016 RNSW Board Meeting as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Motion; Carried

3.2 Business Arising

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

4. Rowing NSW Programs

4.1 Regattas

	2015		
Regattas	Entries	Seats	Athletes
NSW Schoolgirls	322	911	868
Scots	133	636	749
NSW Schoolboys	362	936	633
AAGPS HOR	73	468	0
Drummoyne	304	760	347

2016		
Entries	Seats	Athletes
366	1099	977
128	628	739
377	1032	744
74	488	0
299	755	344

4.2 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
2014/15 Total Membership of Rowing NSW	4,746

	March '15	March '16	Total: 2014/15
Metro Comp	918	933	967
Metro Jnr	1847	1860	1852
Regional Comp	394	391	402
Regional Jnr	468	441	468
Supporting	23	29	23
Official	264	300	266
AAGPS Jnr	429	442	426
Recreational	195	145	262
Patron	80	80	80
	4613	4607	4746

The membership renewal rate is behind last season's figures by 6 individuals year to date

5. Finance Report

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

- Summary assessment of accounts for each department:

Operations –Income is above budget for the month and in line with budget year to date. With equipment hire to Rowing Australia and Parking revenue for SIRC up. Both the School Boy and School Girl regattas were well attended and highly successful events on and off the water. Operations Expenses were in line with budget for the month but are running slightly above budget year to date due a few increases in costs such as Sydney International Regatta Centre charges.

Development –Development income for March consists of a donation to State team from Steptoe Trust no other revenue to report due to state team activities and selections etc. Development expenses consisted of state team costs such as uniform and state team function. State team uniform costs down significantly due to sponsorship arrangement with the Regatta Shop.

Administration–income for the reporting period is in line budget for the month .Membership income also running slightly above budget year to date. Administration income running ahead budget year to date due to sponsorship and grant income. Admin expenses are over budget for the month by over \$25000 due to over \$5000 in legal costs and \$23000 in further costs to Essential Media for the Rhodes Wharf campaign. This leaves admin expenses year to date significantly above budget. Forecast for the end of year has been included in detailed financial reports.

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Motion; To accept the Finance report
Motion; Carried

6. BOARD MATTERS

6.1 Further discussions were held regarding the strategic plan and it was agreed that following input from the regional forum it is now ready to be finalized.

Action; I Adlam to present the final strategic plan to the board

6.2 The Board noted that there were unsuccessful Appeals in relation to the selection of the Kings Cup and Wilkinson Cup crews.

6.3 The Board discussed the financial projection to the end of the financial year and noted notwithstanding the expenditure on the Rhodes Wharf campaign Rowing NSW is looking to make a small surplus.

6.4 The Board noted the successful completion of the campaign against the construction of the Rhodes Wharf and complimented the Wharf Committee on a job well done in making the harbour safe for passive water use.

6.5 The Board noted the declaration by S Cook with respect to updating her Conflicts of Interest registry

6.6 The Board noted the conclusion of the Interstate regatta.

6.7 The Board noted the work done in engagement with the Penrith Council, Maritime and the rowing clubs on the Nepean River to formulate protocols with respect to access to the river

6.8 The Board noted the progress on the adoption of a national database and the work done by Rowing NSW IT consultant to facilitate a move to Rowing Manager as the central repository of data.

6.9 The Board discussed correspondence from the JBSharp Regatta Series with respect to their decision to incorporate and apply for affiliation with Rowing NSW

Motion; To approve the affiliation the JBSharp Regatta Series as a Constituent Member of Rowing NSW
Motion; Carried

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 I Adlam reported on the successful Governor's Para Rowing function held at Government House

7.2 The board discussed the protocols of the selection of Interstate Masters crews

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

Ivan Adlam
President

Anthony Blower
Secretary

Next Meeting 18 May 2016 at 6:00pm (Kirribilli)