

MINUTES

NSWRA GENERAL MEETING TUESDAY 8th JUNE 2010 7.00PM

KEN BROWN ROOM, SPORTS HOUSE, 6A FIGTREE DRIVE SYDNEY OLYMPIC PARK

Present:

Norma Perry (RNSW), Jannet Pendleton (Drummoyne), Michael Daffy (Sydney), Tim Wainman (BRO), Lyndall Jesse (CIS), Wade Hewett (Leichhardt), Barry Moynahan (RNSW Vice-President), Keith Jameson (RNSW Vice-President), Doug Donoghue (RNSW Vice-President), Bronwen Watson (Sydney University Women's), Neil Holmes (Nepean), Jacqui Wilkinson (North Shore), Andrew Gibson (North Shore), Linda McDonald (North Shore), Bob Smith (North Shore), Tim Clare (RNSW), Murray Clarke (UNSW), Christian Renford (RNSW) and Hugh McLeod (RNSW).

Apologies:

John Coates AC (Life Member), John James (North Shore)

1. Welcome

N Perry welcomed all to the June General Meeting.

N Perry congratulated Bronwen Watson on her appointment to the Board of Rowing New South Wales.

2. Confirmation of the Minutes

Motion: To accept the minutes of the April 2010 General Meeting as true and accurate record of the meeting.

Moved: B Moynahan Seconded: K. Jameson

Motion Carried

2.1 Business arising from the minutes

Drummoyne Rowing Club - N Perry provided an update surrounding recent activities of the Facilities Development Commission and the RNSW Board to ascertain the current financial status and ongoing viability of the Drummoyne Rowing Club.



N Perry reiterated RNSW's support of all its constituent members, and thanked the Facilities Development Commission for their work to date.

3. To consider business of which notice has been given.

3.1 2010/11 Regatta Calendar and Order of Events

Regatta Calendar

T Clare tabled the 2010/11 Regatta Calendar as recommended by the Regatta Commission and endorsed by the Board. T Clare provided an overview of the consultation process and rationale in the construction of the annual regatta calendar. It was noted that despite the rigorous consultation process, several late changes to the calendar created angst in the later stages documents finalization.

Order of Events

T Clare tabled the 2010/11 Order of Events as recommended by the Regatta Commission and endorsed by the Board, and provided an overview of the consultation process and rationale in the construction creation of the document.

B Smith requested two changes to the order of events for the North Shore Regatta, swapping:

- M2- and M4x
- W4x and W2-

The meeting discussed the recommendation and agreed to amend the order of events for the North Shore Regatta on a trial basis for 2010 only.

Motion: To accept the regatta calendar and order of events be accepted as tabled including the agreed amendments.

Moved: K. Jameson Seconded: B Moynahan

Motion Carried

Action 1 – Regatta Secretary publish on the RNSW website as tabled.

Action 2 – Regatta Secretary to amend the order of events and publish on the RNSW website

Action 3 – Regatta Commission to review effect of the change to the order of events at the conclusion of the NS Regatta

T Clare expressed his appreciation to the members of the Regatta Commission for the efforts in developing the 2010/11 Regatta Calendar and Order of Events

3.2 2010/11 Schedule of Fees and Charges

The CEO tabled the proposed Schedule of Fees and Charges for 2010/11:

- 1. Provision of affiliation fees and levies of constituent members
- 2. Member subscription levels
- 3. Allocation of regatta seat fees

The CEO provided an overview of the consultation process with the club treasurers and rationale Schedule of Fees and Charges as presented. The CEO highlighted the increase to the members' subscription levels from the 2009/10 season.



Motion: To accept the 2010/11 Schedule of Fees and Charges be accepted as tabled.

Moved: K. Jameson Seconded: B Moynahan

Motion Carried

3.3 2010/11 RNSW Budget

The CEO tabled the proposed 2010/11 Budget for Rowing New South Wales

The CEO provided an overview of the assumptions and rationale surrounding the creation of the 2010/11 budget, specifically the delineation of the three key organizational business units of the Association; Administration, Operations and Development.

Motion: To accept the 2010/11 Budget be accepted as tabled.

Moved: J Pendleton Seconded: D Donoghue

Motion Carried

4. Report of the President and CEO

4.1 Amendments to the NSW Laws of Boat Racing

The CEO and President provided an update on review of the NSWLaws of Boat Racing. K Jameson noted that due to the complexity of the review and subsequent delays, there is insufficient time to appropriately consult with the membership about any likely alterations for the commencement of the 2010/11 season.

D Donoghue supported this position and further recommended the Board host an open forum, inviting constituent members interested in reviewing any proposed changes to the Laws of Boat Racing. The intent of the workshop is to communicate the proposed changes and allow more detailed debate than what might normally occur at a General Meeting.

It was noted that a formal endorsement of any changes to the Laws of Boat Racing would likely be proposed at a special general meeting – date to be determined.

Action - CEO and President

5. General Business

5.1 Annual General Meeting

K Jameson noted that at the 2009 Annual General Meeting the RNSW Auditor presented the associations' end of year accounts to the membership. The meeting confirmed that the associations' end of year accounts should be presented by the RNSW Director of Finance.

Action - Director of Finance



5.2 Constitutional Review

K Jameson noted that the Constitutional Review Committee had not met formally since January 2010. The CEO provided the meeting with a brief update on the actions undertaken to date and noted that a similar process of consultation would be followed for the NSWRA Constitution, upon endorsement of the Laws of Boat Racing.

K Jameson further noted that the association's most current rules have not been lodged with the ACT Office of Regulatory Services and should be done so as soon as practical.

Action – G James and CEO

5.3 2010 Youth Cup

The CEO confirmed that the 2010 NSW Youth Cup team had been announced and was published on the RNSW website. Each member will be requested to pay a seat fee of approximately \$325. The Laurie Stepto Memorial Trust Fund and RNSW contributed to the team budget to keep the athletes contribution as low as possible.

Meeting Closed – 9:05pm

