



**BOARD MEETING**  
By Phone  
Wednesday 21 December at 6.00pm

**MINUTES**

**Attendees:** Stephen Donnelley (President), Stephen Handley (Deputy President), Deanna Fekete, Danika Wright, Liam James, Sarah Cook, Adam Vine-Hall and Tony Blower

**Apologies:** Victor Walter, Sarah Hill

**1. Welcome**

1.1 6.00pm – S Donnelley welcomed the Directors to the December 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 RNSW Board Meeting as at 16 November as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Motion; Carried

2.2 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.

**3. Rowing NSW Programs**

3.1 Regattas

Regattas	2015		
	Entries	Seats	Athletes
Head of the Parramatta	74	408	452
Loreto Normanhurst	418	1188	890
Loreto Kirribilli	348	887	586
CDRA Sprints	385	827	264
U21 Twilight	-	-	-
Sydney Grammar	121	664	771
Iron Cove Classic 3	27	216	239
St Joseph's College	136	744	859
RNSW Independent Schools	389	1307	993
Scots College	129	636	744
Sydney Girls	263	720	537
Grafton High	203	366	112
NSWIS TT3	90	107	105

2016		
Entries	Seats	Athletes
63	388	430
427	1043	711
450	1104	746
319	623	192
-	-	-
134	716	827
32	256	285
128	680	779
416	1318	1045
126	596	706
283	719	488
178	303	108
94	98	98

### 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
2014/15 Total Membership of Rowing NSW	4,746
2015/16 Total Membership of Rowing NSW	4,692

	November '15	November '16	Total: 2015/16
Metro Comp	805	847	969
Metro Jnr	1756	1560	1862
Regional Comp	360	352	403
Regional Jnr	419	398	439
Supporting	28	30	30
Official	263	315	296
AAGPS Jnr	405	636	430
Recreational	128	127	182
Patron	80	78	80
	4222	4333	4692

The membership renewal rate is ahead of last season's figures by 111 individuals year to date

### 4. Finance Report

The detailed November management accounts were provided in the meeting papers

Motion; To accept the Finance report

Motion; Carried

### 5. Board Matters

5.1 The board congratulated the National Training Centre Working Group on their efforts to date and noted that the Development Application for the project had been lodged with Penrith City Council in early December.

5.2 The Board noted the Circular Resolution with respect to the recommendation of the Selectors in the appointment of Assistant Coaches to the Interstate Team.

Motion; To accept the recommendation of the Selectors for the following to be appointed to the positions of Assistant Coaches;

Kings Cup (M8+)	Nick Garratt (Mosman RC)
Queens Cup (W8+)	James Chapman (Sydney RC)
Penrith Cup (ML4-)	Lachlan Carter (Sydney RC)
Victoria Cup (WL4x)	Hally Chapman (UTS / ST Catherine's School)
Noel F Wilkinson Trophy (MY8+)	Dustyn Butler (SUBC)
Bicentennial Cup (WY8+)	Lachlan Allen (Loreto Kirribilli)

Motion; Carried

5.3 The Board noted the offer of a Grant for \$55,000 exclusive of GST from the Office of Sport for the purpose of Sports Development.

Motion; To accept the Grant offer and endorse the President to enter into the Agreement for and on behalf of Rowing NSW

Motion; Carried

5.4 The Board further discussed the Strategic Plan and the need to engage further with the staff.

## **6. General Business**

6.1 The Board noted that we had two resignations from the staff of Rowing NSW, Brett Morley and Hamish Playfair. The Board further noted the efforts to recruit replacement staff.

6.2. The Board wanted to further explore the Schoolgirl regatta program and with a view to eliminating any double header regattas over a weekend with a view to not putting unreasonable demands on athletes and families and causing them to leave the sport

There being no other business the President wished the Board a merry Christmas and declared the meeting closed at 8.00 pm.

Stephen Donnelley  
President

Anthony Blower  
Secretary

Next Meeting 18 January 2017 at 6:00pm (Kirribilli)