



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

MINUTES

Attendees: Ivan Adlam (President), Bryan Weir (Deputy President), Stephen Handley, Deanna Fekete, Danika Wright, Liam James, Fiona Toose, and Tony Blower (Secretary)

Apologies: Miranda Bennett

Absent: Bronwen Watson

1. Welcome

6.00pm - I Adlam welcomed the Directors to the April 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 18 March 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.

F Toose provided an outline of the legal status of the Stepto Trust.

3. Rowing NSW Programs

3.1 Regattas

Regattas	2014		
	Entries	Seats	Athletes
Rowing NSW Schoolboys	314	925	745
South Grafton	190	379	110
CDRA Champs	553	1261	263
Rowing NSW Schoolgirls	241	805	929
AAGPS HOR	78	500	-
CHS Champs	234	537	215
DRC Rowers	226	594	310

2015		
Entries	Seats	Athletes
362	936	633
254	471	146
649	1471	291
322	911	871
73	468	-
251	499	186
304	760	347

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

	March '14	March '15	Total: 2014/15
Metro Comp	895	905	921
Metro Jnr	1832	1840	1832
Regional Comp	358	391	361
Regional Jnr	457	468	457
Supporting	26	23	27
Official	277	262	283
AAGPS Jnr	619	427	619
Recreational	253	178	280
Patron	78	80	78
	4790	4574	4857

The membership renewal rate is behind last season's figures by 148 individuals year to date

4. Finance Report

- Summary assessment of accounts for each department:
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4.1 Operations –Income is above budget for the month by almost 30K and YTD also by over 30K due to \$20,000 unbudgeted income invoiced to RA for SIRR. Regatta income is in line for both clubs and RNSW regattas .Both the Schoolboy and Schoolgirl Head of the river successfully running in line with budget. The King’s Cup lunch was a great day, enjoyed by all and made a profit of over 3K.

Equipment Hire is also running ahead of budget by over 10K YTD with the catamarans being utilised by Rowing Australia, Canoe Australia and several larger regattas at SIRC including AAGPS.

Operations expenses are in line for the month and slightly behind year to date by 20K. Only line in Operations expenses above budget is regatta secretary wages as a result of final payout. All in all operations is ahead in income and behind in expenses YTD.

4.2 Development–Income for the month relates to Steptoe Trust \$5000 donation toward the RNSW state team, otherwise no revenue for development in March due to State team activities. Income is slightly behind budget for the year .Development Expenses for the month comprises mainly State Team expenses, including kit and state team dinner. Development expenses are slightly behind budget for the month and in line budget YTD.

4.3 Administration –Income for the reporting period is above budget for the month and year to date. In March we received sponsorship income from Designer Paintworks and Pontoon Sports. With Designer Paintworks increasing their sponsorship commitment by 30%. Membership income is in line with budget for the month and slightly above budget YTD due to the AAGPS membership category not being included in the budget. Administration expenses are above budget for the month due to unforeseen expenses associated with the office relocation.

4.4 At this stage of the financial year we are sitting at 14K above budget. We had a busy and yet highly successful March ran 2 large regattas and 1 main event. We also increased hit milestone on facebook by hitting 4000 like after successfully engaging the schools in a facebook end of season school video competition.

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 directors would look further at the Tactical Metrics. Information would be sort from the office where applicable

Action; D Wright to prepare next draft

5.2 The review of the By- Laws of Rowing NSW prepared by B Weir was reviewed. A further iteration is to be presented at the next Board meeting

Action; B Weir to prepare next draft

5.3 Discussion was held regarding the National and Interstate Regatta .It was noted that , while the regatta was a very successful event, some concerns over the format and participation of senior athletes. This will be a matter for discussion at the upcoming RA Strategic Forum.

5.4 It was noted that four Directors and the CEO are attending the director's course sponsored by Sport and Rec

5.5 Discussion was held regarding the proposed implementation of a national data base

5.6 The Draft RA Health Screening Discussion Paper was noted. This will be a matter for discussion at the upcoming RA Strategic Forum.

5.7 The Draft RA Membership and Privacy paper was noted. This will be a matter for discussion at the upcoming RA Strategic Forum.

5.8 The board noted the Notice of meeting of the RA AGM and Strategic Forum

Motion; To nominate B Weir as a director of the board of Rowing Australia

Motion; Carried , by acclamation

6 GENERAL BUSINES

6.1 The Board noted the current draft of the regatta calendar for the 2015/16 season and is looking to review the program and the Grade Competition next meeting

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

Ivan Adlam
President

Anthony Blower
Board Secretary

Next Meeting 20 May 2015 at 6:00pm (Kirribilli)