

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

CGS Shed Monday 23 January 2023 at 6.00pm

Attendees

Board: Kent Peters (President), Tobias Wehr-Candler (Vice President), Seb Lang, Craig Jones, Vinhara Goonesekera, Ben Page, Virginia Hayward, Alison Chinn (Director of Finance), Catherine Garrington

Staff: Stuart John (Acting Executive Officer), Dave Fraumano (Head Coach)

Apologies. None

- **1. Welcome.** President opened the meeting at 1802 and made an Acknowledgement of Country.
- 2. Register of Interests. None

3. Acceptance of Minutes

- a. November 2022. Noted misspelling of Virginia Hayward's surname. Noted by President, thanks for work over the past year.
- b. Outstanding Actions. 2022 closed items would be archived. See action items list for developments.
- **4. Director of Finance Report**. Report tabled. Board noted outstanding debtors. Impressed by registration numbers (up from previous years) and highlighted importance of sourcing sponsorships as ACT Gov funding reducing. Report accepted.
- 5. RA Councillor Report (Tobias Wehr-Candler). Provided verbal update. Key takeaways are RA is in a challenging financial position due to cancelled, relocated and far away nationals of the past three years. Affiliation fees have increased due to loss of funding from Destination NSW. Board agreed pay increase would be directly passed onto clubs (timing not confirmed). EO to explore affiliation fees of other states. Transgender policy near completion.
- **6. High Performance Report** (Dave Fraumano). Report tabled. Performance outcomes meeting expectations. Good representation at December trials. Identified Assistant coaches goals in TID space, considering new opportunities for TID and establishing a squad. Interstate crew training ongoing.
- **7. Executive Officer Report** (Stuart John). Report tabled. Items to note:

- Board noted EO's concerns about the lowering of the lake and whether it would hinder ability to run regattas. Though width of transit lane would decrease it would not impede racing lanes.
- Preparations are going well for March big regattas. Parking issue is critical and to be raised with relevant authorities. Noted security is needed for finish line as well as Weston Park for ACT champs.
- EO to send EOIs out to clubs on priorities for infrastructure projects and to collate for discussion for grant application and infrastructure review.
- **8. Safety Sub-Committee** (Catherine Garrington). Provided verbal update. Two incidents were noted. Course of action is to discuss discrepancies with NCA on the lake user guide currently posted on their website and correct inconsistencies.
- 9. Governance Sub-Committee Report (Virginia Hayward). Nothing further to report.

10. Items for Decision

- **a. Interstate Masters Rules of Racing proposed amendment.** The Board accepted this proposal, however noted that RA Councillor would push for a majority ruling over a unanimous ruling for decision.
- **b. Indoor para-rowing program.** The Board agreed grant funding should be allocated to the program and the provisions of suitable equipment be at the discretion of the EO and Director of Finance.
- **c. Regatta fines.** The Board agreed it is necessary to collect regatta fines, especially for DNS. These fines would come into effect in the season of 23/24. The EO is to prepare relevant communications products for clubs.
- d. Engraving new Head of the Lake trophies. Endorsed.

11. Items for Discussion

- a. Rowing Australia affiliation fees. Discussed in RA report.
- b. Proposed Associations Regulatory Reforms. Taken as read.
- **c.** No wash period proposal/electric outboard motors. Rejected proposal. However, encourages the outboard demonstration. EO to disseminate information to clubs.

12. Items for Noting

a. **ACT Sport and Rec grant review.** Noted. Delated by 12 months.

Acting EO departed 1943.

Board conducted in-camera session which commenced at 1944.

- 13. Other Business. None.
- **14. Meeting closed at** 2049.

Future meetings/events:

2023 Board Meetings:

February 20 March 20 April 17 May 22 June 19 July 17 August 21

September 18 October 16 November 20

Regattas:

Feb 4 ANUBC Regatta

Feb 10-12 NSW Championships

Feb 18 Radford Regatta

Mar 4-5 ACT Junior Championships/Head of the Lake Regattas

Mar 18-19 ACT Open, Grade and Masters Championships

Other events:

AGM October 23