



BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Remote (Skype)

Tuesday 29 September 2020 at 6pm

1. Attendees:

Board: Alison Creagh (Chair), Luke Letcher, Ben Page, Kent Peters, Neil Smith, Deb Styman

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

2. Apologies: Ben James, Katrina Wiseman.

3. Appointment of new Directors (in-camera) President welcomed newly elected Board members.

Decision - Terms of Reference to be created for potential School Rep Observer position on the Board.

Decision – Diversity within Board Member appointments is important to maintain.

Decision – Appointed Board Member positions to be offered to Catherine Garrington and Alison Chinn.

4. Register of interests

5. Acceptance of Minutes

- a. August 2020 Board Meeting – accepted with correction of the meeting date.

6. Outstanding action items

- a. Safety Review Update – Michelle Smith has advised she is unable to continue with this project. The Update documents will be reviewed to determine how close to completion they are.

7. Workplace Health & Safety report

- a. Report on safety incidents – unreported capsized was noted on LBG by ANU single sculler.
- b. Regatta safety – nothing to report.

8. Community Feedback (complaints & compliments)

- a. COVID-19 – Exemption application now must be submitted to ACT Government for regattas over the coming season. COVID 19 plans are required to be submitted for every RACT event on and off the water.
- b. Other reports – nil.

9. Head Coach update – reported HP athletes all did well at recent erg tests and time trials. HP program and schedule has now been published through to Christmas. COVID 19 risk plans are to be developed for the Jindabyne camp. TiD has been advertised to schools.

10. Annual Report & AGM – occurred; no further action.

11. **Financial Reports** – circulated to Board members prior to the meeting. Balance Sheet looking strong and Aged Receivables are low. It was noted that Rowing Australia has extended the HPP funding Agreement until 2021.

12. Items for decision:

- a. Coastal rowing – scoping document circulated. **Decision:** ACT working group will be established.
- b. Indoor rowing – to be further discussed at the next meeting.
- c. Draft interstate selection policy was circulated for consideration. Minor changes from 2019 version were noted. Final version to be published next week.

13. Items for discussion:

- a. CBR Sport Awards 2020 will be held. It was noted for RACT, NSW Champs was the only event held for results based nominations. **Decision:** Several nominations in various categories will be submitted.

14. Items for noting

- a. WTT & Col Panton – record entries were received in the WTT's.
- b. Veterans and their Families Indoor Rowing Program update – program was successful with a high level of Rowing ACT support noted and most participants continuing with weekly sessions. Special thanks to Katrina Wiseman for organisation of this program.
- c. Rowing ACT Strategic Plan – is being synchronised with the RA updated Strategic Plan publication and should be ready for release shortly.
- d. Disher Cup – Their Excellencies, Governor General and Mrs Hurley will be presenting the awards at this event once again. ANU Vice-Chancellor Prof Brian Schmidt will also be attending.

15. Other business

- a. RACT Presentation function at Government House is booked for 10 December.
- b. CGGS Podium Program and Rowing ACT partnership proposal approved.

16. **Next Meeting:** 19 October 2020

Signed

President

BOARD PAPERS

Items for decision:

Appointed directors

The terms of appointed directors Alison Chinn and Catherine Garrington expired at the end of the 2020 AGM. The Board is tasked with appointing two directors for a two-year period.

Board Action: To confirm two appointed directors for the Rowing ACT Board.

Coastal and Indoor Rowing

Rowing Australia has made Coastal and Indoor Rowing two areas of growth opportunities for the sport in the coming years, with Coastal rowing events under consideration for future Olympics. The Board is asked to confirm Rowing ACT's support for Rowing Australia's initiatives, as well as looking to develop coastal and indoor rowing membership types to cater for expected growth in these versions locally.

Board Action: Agree/Not Agree/For Further Discussion: that Rowing ACT continue to support Rowing Australia's initiatives with regards to Coastal and Indoor rowing.

Agree/Not Agree/For Further Discussion: that Rowing ACT develop plans for Coastal and Indoor rowing membership types.

Draft Interstate Selection Policy

A draft open interstate selection policy has been attached for comment and draft approval from the board.

Board Action: Agree/Not Agree/For Further Discussion: that the Draft Interstate Selection Policy be approved.

Items for discussion:

Items for noting:

- a. Winter Time Trial & Col Pantou
- b. Veterans and their Families Indoor Rowing Program update
- c. Rowing ACT Strategic Plan
- d. Disher Cup