

**CANOEING VICTORIA BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES  
Tuesday 1 June 2009  
Gary's House**

**1. MEETING OPENED**

The meeting opened at 7.45

Gary Flanigan – President (GF)  
Tom Hirrschoff – Chair (TH)  
Geoff Hindle - Interested Director (GH )  
Richard Howard – Independent Director (RH)  
Sharon Swoboda– Executive Officer – Co (SS)  
Andrea Boothroyd – Executive Officer – Co (AB)

**2. APOLOGIES**

Andrew Coutts – Independent Director (ARC)

**3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

Motion: “That the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted”. With the removal of the reference to the recognition of service for technical committees.

Moved: GF Seconded: GH

**Recognition of Volunteers**

Recognition of Technical committee members upon retiring to also be investigated.

Action: EO's to develop a criteria and process of recognition.

**4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

No Presidents report

**5. FINANCIALS**

Discussions regarding a sensitivity report to reflect the implications of potentially losing government grants.

Action: EO's to produce sensitivity analysis.

**Office accounts were tabled.**

Noted that Australian Canoeing has set the fees for 2009/2010 at the agreed 2008/09 affiliation fees with a 3% CPI increase.

The Board resolved to pay the AC affiliation fees as per the 25<sup>th</sup> May Memo from Aust Canoeing.

**Motion** to Accept Financial reports – RH, Accepted GF.

## 6. EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORT

### Paperless Membership

**Motion:** The Board resolves to deem receipt of membership fees from existing members to constitute valid renewal.

Moved RH

Seconded TH

Action: Executive's are to trial this with Ivanhoe Canoe Club for 2009/2010.

### Sprint Technical Committee Proposal

AB presented the Sprint Development and Technical Committee Proposal.

Wages for EO's to cover the additional work load for the model where the EO's manage the discipline would need to come from the Sprint Discipline administration fees and sprint budgets.

Infrastructure needs to be implemented on a step by step process so the long term sustainability is achievable.

**Motion:** The Board resolves to accept the proposed Sprint structure where positions report to the EO's. The Board to be advised of positions but authorizes the EO's to appoint honorary positions.

Moved: GF

Seconded RH

A number of expressions of interests for certain positions have been received and the EO's will determine the appointments.

The Board will approve the Budget and be updated on the sprint program via the monthly admin report.

### Murray Marathon Direct Memberships

Australian Canoeing have purchased a recreational 24/7 insurance policy. Much discussion regarding how to work the model with the YMCA and the murray marathon versus a general package that can be offered to the general public.

EO's to analyze Murray entrants and determine potential membership impact of current full and rec membership and recommend to the board a model to propose to the YMCA.

## 7. TECHNICAL COMMITTEE'S

### 7.1 Canoe Polo Committee

Financial reports tabled prior to the meeting. Pool venue hire for Autumn for 2009 is missing from the profit and loss which relates of an overstatement of profit of about \$15,000.

Canoe polo Coaching course has been held – First level 2 course in Australia in 9 years !

### **7.2 Canoe Sprint (previously known as Flatwater)**

Sprint Financials were tabled.

### **7.3 Wildwater**

Chris Wharton ran an amended WW race at Westerfolds park due to river levels on the upper yarra.

### **7.4 Marathon**

Financial report was tabled prior to the meeting. TH presented the report in detail.

### **7.5 Canoe Touring and Recreation**

As per the admin report.

### **7.6 Canoe Slalom**

No Report

## **8. STRATEGY**

Discussion regarding club membership and the issue of smaller clubs getting smaller and how the 2009/2010 strategy needs to incorporate supporting these clubs into the future.

## **9. MARKETING**

GH suggested that Radio marketing was not a financially viable media.

## **10. General Business**

## **11. NEXT MEETING**

21<sup>st</sup> June 2.30pm.

Meeting Closed: 11.50

Next Meeting – 21<sup>st</sup> June 2.30.