

**CANOEING VICTORIA BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
Tuesday 17 December 2008
Gary's House**

1. MEETING OPENED

The meeting opened at 7.55

Gary Flanigan – President (GF)
Tom Hirrschoff – Chair (TH)
Geoff Hindle - Interested Director (GH)
Andrew Coutts – Independent Director (ARC)
Sharon Swoboda– Executive Officer – Co (SS)
Catherine Gardner-Gaskin (CGG)

2. APOLOGIES

Andrea Boothroyd – Executive Officer – Co (AB)
Richard Howard – Independent Director (RH)

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion: “That the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted”.
Moved: GF Secoded:GH

4. SRV OLDER ADULTS PROJECT REPORT – CGG

The older adults project was funded by SRV as part of their grassroots funding that resulted from the Commonwealth games.

The project is a two year project of which we are into the second year. Catherine is working as a project officer since April 2008. The main direction of the project is to conduct a needs analysis of members and non members to ascertain the needs and feedback in relation to our older adults (over 35).

Catherine presented the results of the on-line survey and the perception of Canoeing in the wider canoeing environment.

Perceptions:
you need to be able to swim
No skills necessarily required
Very positive
Mainly a recreational activity
Environmentally friendly

Initial contact with Canoeing
School
University
Work activity
Guides or scouts

A general conclusion regarding the age groups was that the 35 – 65 age group should be the future focus.

The Board discussed many issues regarding the presentation and some strategic directions. The main issue was communication and improving the communication on all levels focusing on the web site.

Action: SS to followup with Chris Alger who is interested in updating the Marathon web site.

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Gary tabled his Presidents report

Action: SS to update on the web site.

6. FINANCIALS

Administration Accounts.

Profit and Loss Statements were tabled:

30/11/08 Operating Profit of \$59,228.87

30/11/08 Balance Sheet Equity - \$83,311

RH attended the CV office today and closed the 2007/08 accounts, reviewed the depreciation schedule and generally reviewed the accounting methods.

SS provided proposed formats for the project analysis focusing on the Strategic plan focus areas.

Balance Sheet

Balance Sheet was tabled.

Receivables / Payables

Receivables / payables were tabled.

7. EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORT

Verbal Executive Officers Report was provided.

Yarra Descent

It was suggested that the Yarra Descent be removed from the calendar. GH discussed the option of the Yarra Marra which is a race which runs on the upper race.

Eildon Triathlon

Given the information regarding the interest in cycling.

Nominations for Sprint Committee. Ok to go ahead.

8. TECHNICAL COMMITTEE'S

7.1 Canoe Polo Committee

No report provided.

7.2 Flatwater

No Report provided

7.3 Wildwater

7.4 Marathon

No Report provided

7.5 Recreational/Touring

No Report provided

7.6 Slalom

No report provided.

9. STRATEGY

No Update

10. MARKETING

No Report.

11. General Business

Action: Next Meeting Agenda – Communications

Action: Present the next years meeting dates and commitments.

Xmas lunch – Monday 22nd December at Westerfolds – to be confirmed

12. NEXT MEETING

Jan 20th

Meeting Closed: 11.30pm.