

**CANOEING VICTORIA BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES  
Tuesday 18 November 2008  
Gary's House**

**1. MEETING OPENED**

The meeting opened at 7.50

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

**2. APOLOGIES**

None

**3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

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

**4. PRESIDENT’S REPORT:**

Gary Flanigan welcomed the new Board Member Andrew Coutts.

No Report

**5. FINANCIALS**

**Administration Accounts.**

Updated budget spreadsheet and accounts to date presented to the Board.

Discussion regarding the budget spreadsheet and the validity of the information for project analysis.

Conclusion – Spreadsheet analysis will be produced for the next meeting along with the job project analysis.

**Balance Sheet**

Balance Sheet was tabled.

**Receivables / Payables**

Receivables – Tom explained some of the receivables.

\$1628 – Access ramp 20% - not expected to be paid until works are completed

\$312.50 – Slalom – 1<sup>st</sup> three months of the administration fee

\$225 – Outstanding Event Licences from the School Championships  
\$75 – Powerboat Course.

## **6. EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORT**

Verbal Executive Officers Report was provided.

### **Affiliation Fee**

Sharon reported that Australian Canoeing still have an expectation that CV pay the agreed fee excluding GST. The resolution at the AC Strategic meeting was that the AC board would write to the CV board and explain the implications of CV not paying the higher Affiliation Fee.

The letter received in October that stated that the Affiliation fees would remain the same as last year would be revoked on the realization of the pre signed agreement to all States that stated the affiliation fees over 3 years until 2009.

### **Finances**

Appointment of Richard Roach as the Finance Manager.

### **Crawford Review**

The Australian Sports Commission is currently under review due to “Sport not stemming the increase in childhood obesity”. This is evident by the CEO has not been replaced and nor have Board members. Australian Canoeing in conjunction with other sports such as yachting, athletics to present our sport and requirements to the Crawford Review. This report is available in hard copy and should be available on the AC Web site. This review will be published by the end of the year. This will have implications on how sports will be administered in the future.

### **ACAS Review and rollout.**

Australian Canoeing Education committee has reviewed and updated the ACAS system to ensure the betterment of Canoeing is foremost in the results rather than aligning to the VET system solely.

The Education Committee now will be “Rolling” out the new system to deliver the changes and the implications to instructors and NTP’s.

### **High Performance**

Richard Fox has been reappointed as High Performance Manager for Canoeing by the ASC. It was discussed at the Strategic Forum the need for a “High Performance Manager” at AC to manage / develop the Non Olympic High Performance disciplines. This would be a role that should work in conjunction with, leverage off and in ..... With Richard Fox as the Olympic High Performance manager.

### **AC Board Members**

Shelly Oats-Widely is currently on the Board as a casual vacancy, Danielle Woodward was elected as the President, Stephen ..... has been elected who comes from South Africa with an extensive canoeing and administration background.

## **Coaching Course**

Andrea discussed the coaching course on the weekend, the budget, the feedback and the need to run these courses in the future.

Tom reported that other interstate members would have been interested to attend but information didn't filter down to some state members. This is a result of a lack of communication and commitment from AC regarding the Coaching course.

Positive feedback was received about the level of awareness of the course and the strong implications to the revitalization of the sport by conducting these courses. In addition, the course duration was reviewed and amended after feedback from the members that the course was too long and a date split would be preferable.

## **Canoeing Victoria Survey**

Fantastic response to the on-line survey sent out in October. The results have been compiled and will be reported on the web site, plus a formal report will be presented to Sport and Recreation Victoria in November.

## **Red Cross Murray Marathon**

No update from the third party received.

## **Indigenous Project Update**

Noted by SRV by the attendance by the CV Board attending the Indigenous Awareness training. Thank you to the board for their attendance. We would like to continue with this type of project and with the Vichealth funding rounds closing in November, this will be our focus for 2009/10 on onwards.

Spin off from the training was a project to run a program for indigenous participants at Robinvale with a possibility of delivering this throughout next year.

## **AC Recreation / Touring Committee**

After the discussion at the AC Strategic Forum, the Recreation / Touring committee will be reinvented with representative from each state making up the committee to determine the direction and promotion of the Recreational area.

Geoff Hindle was appointed by the Board to take on this role.

## **Mass Participation project.**

CV were approached with an idea to run a mass participation day in the area of Lysterfield Lake in the Casey shire. The idea is to run a day with "Station" type activities with a non-competitive focus.

## **7. TECHNICAL COMMITTEE'S**

### **7.1 Canoe Polo Committee**

No report provided.

## **7.2 Flatwater**

No Report provided

## **7.3 Wildwater**

Sharon reported that the Wildwater community cannot run the Wildwater Vic champs this year due to volunteers, water levels and available dates.

## **7.4 Marathon**

No Report provided

## **7.5 Recreational/Touring**

No Report provided

## **7.6 Slalom**

No report provided.

### **Ocean Racing**

Andrew discussed the opportunities of Ocean Racing. Resolved to discuss a strategy to approach the discipline and potentially provide opportunities and a structure to race under.

Action: Sharon and Andrew will get together to discuss marketing and other issues.

## **8. STRATEGY**

No Update

## **9. MARKETING**

No Report.

## **10. General Business**

Action: Next Meeting Agenda – Communications

Action: Present the next years meeting dates and commitments.

Xmas lunch – Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at Westerfolds – to be confirmed

## **11. NEXT MEETING**

16<sup>th</sup> December 2008

Meeting Closed: 11.30pm.