

**CANOEING VICTORIA BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
Tuesday 30 Aug 2011
Gary's House**

1. MEETING OPENED

The meeting opened at 7.40pm

Gary Flanigan – President (GF)
Tom Hirschoff – (TH) Chair
Tony Coventry. – Independent Director (TC) of the chair
Lawrie Chenoweth – Independent Director (LC)
Andrea Boothroyd – Executive Officer – Co (AB)
Sharon Swoboda– Executive Officer – Co (SS)

2. APOLOGIES

Connie Todaro – Interested Director (CT)
Richard Howard – Independent Director (RH)

3. Minutes of Previous Minutes

As the previous meeting did not have a quorum, the minutes taken were accepted by GF.

4. Presidents Report

No Presidents report.

5. Strategic Areas

a) Corporate Governance

2011-12 Budget – Budget is 95% complete. Monthly breakdown will be presented at the next meeting,

Actions: SS to complete the budget, present to RH and the Board via email prior to the next meeting.

b) Community Development

Eildon: SS went to visit Eildon and concluded that due to the water levels at the ramp at Jerusalem Creek it is not feasible to run the event this year. SS made comment that it is not a strategic event and we should be looking at aligning events more with the Clubs

SS suggested that we approach the new club Newstead to discuss the option of running an multisport event local to the club for a number of strategic reasons.

Action: SS to followup with Newstead and determine possible dates.

c) High Performance

AB reported on the current status of the new NEDP program (NITD replacement program). AB has had communication with Dave Fourer (new AC NEDP Manager). AB and Craig Pickett have had conversations with Peter Garguilio, Geelong Canoe club and the PACE (Patterson Lakes High performance program).

Discussions with clubs will be required to become High Performance Certified Training Centres.

Testing day is scheduled for October 2011.

Each year the State Sporting Association will be funded by AC to run these testing days.

A new agreement with the NEDP program will be drawn up to continue running the NTID program.

Budget will need to be adjusted to account for management time to administer the program in the State.

Talent will be drawn from schools and gyms not from existing paddlers.

AB also reported that as Victoria doesn't have a Institute of Sport, we are missing out on some vital information that is shared between other State IS's. Dave Fourer will now include Andrea or the State coach in these discussions and assist in this dissemination of information.

AB also reported discussions within the sprint community about the barriers of keeping Victorian's in the state to strengthen the discipline instead of losing paddlers to the interstate opportunities.

d) Competition Development

Sprint:

AB presented a draft Sprint budget which runs at a loss of \$3000. Includes AB being paid at \$20 per hour at least half the number of hours required. Includes Medals and ribbons, first aid etc.

AB requested permission to approach the marathon committee to assist in the administration (Volunteer) to assist in delivering the discipline opportunities.

GF requested that the budget includes the number of potential participants.

Slalom:

SS attended the Slalom meeting on Monday 29 August. Vic School Whitewater Championships are being run this weekend, with preparations for the Vic Champs in November underway. 2 Country races have been successfully run on the Big and the King river with the Howqua being proposed in October.

Dights falls is still being completed but they hope to run the October Yarra Series race.

A budget was presented to the slalom committee. A few changes will need to be made, but the budget should be presented to the CV board in October.

Ocean Racing

SS met with Tim Altman regarding the status of ocean racing in Victoria. The only racing being undertaken is by Jarad Kohlar, yet there are a number of interested parties that CV will pursue discussions on how we can move forward. The objective is to develop at least one race that we can put forward to the National series.

Ultra Marathon

Nothing additional to the board report.

Canoe Polo and Marathon requested an extension on presenting their budgets. Agreed to by the board to have them presented at the next board meeting.

Wildwater:

Matt French has shown an interest in developing Wildwater. SS and Matt will be developing a strategy to get Wildwater back up and running.

e) Membership Services

On-line membership: Essendon canoe club have been the pilot program for the on-line membership. We will be opening up the options for other clubs and the suggestion is that we run a demonstration at the AGM.

Membership review: Recreational services forum will be held at Westerfolds on 10th September. All clubs will be contacted to be encouraged to participate in this process.

Clubs will be encouraged to attend the forum after the AGM to discuss the club services.

Staff have been working on looking at other possible membership types outside the traditional paddlers. A business plan will be developed to move forward with this membership development.

AB and SS will be working on models on how we can capture the indigenous canoeing community as members and making this sustainable.

f) Club Development

See above

Vic Health Inclusiveness workshops. AB and SS attended the workshops as part of the Vichealth funding. Inclusiveness needs to be priority of the board and suggestion is that it appears as a regular agenda item.

g) Training, Education and Safety

SS reported that the Education Services Delivery Administrator has been advertised on the Web site with applications closing on the 9th September.

6. General Business

Action: Marathon selection criteria – TH/GF and SS to followup regarding the changes to selection criteria.

Action: MOU Marathon – all to review of MOU to prepare for future applications and provide feedback to GF.

Vicsport awards. Lindsay Gaze sporting conduct award 2011. Board supported a nomination of John Moore for his contribution towards polo and his exemplary contribution to the indigenous program.

Next Meeting – Tuesday 4th October at Gary's House

Meeting closed: