

Dragon Boating WA Inc. Board Meeting – Minutes

Location: Department of Sport and Recreation, 246 Vincent Street, Leederville

Time / Date: **6.00 pm** **Monday, 6 February 2012**

INVITEES		MINUTES	
		In attendance	Apologies
<i>President</i>	Kristin Priest (KP)	X	
<i>Deputy President</i>	Rick Salisbury	X	
<i>Administration Director</i>	Barbara Clarkson	X	
<i>Finance Director</i>	Cherie Cobban	X	
<i>Communications Director</i>	Vacant	--	--
<i>Operations Director</i>	Vacant	--	--
<i>Coaching Director</i>	Mark Kusin (MK)	X	
<i>General Board Member</i>	Rex Tindal (RT)	X	
<i>General Board Member</i>	Paula Cottingham	X	
<i>General Board Member</i>	Graeme Smith (GS)	X	
Guests	--	--	--

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1.	Administration				
1.1.	Welcome	KP		-	-
1.2.	Attendance / apologies	KP	As above.	-	-
1.3.	Confirmation of Minutes from previous meeting	KP	Confirmed: BC Seconded: PC	-	
2.	Business Arising				
2.1.	Correction of minutes	KP	Issue: Paula Cottingham's name has inadvertently been omitted from DBWA meeting minutes since October. Minutes to be corrected and new versions issued and placed on website.		Done.

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2.2.	Grand Prix Regatta (time allocated: 15 min)	KP	<p>Topic: The 4th regatta of the season will be held Sunday 26 Feb.</p> <p>Objective: Ensure all required logistics for the regatta have been adequately addressed.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Outstanding issues 2. Toggles were in poor condition – have repairs been made? 3. Will toggles be in line? (Lane 2 has been short) 4. Container for flushing outboard motor obtained? 	All	<p>Toggles ok, check why VenuesWest had to be in rescue boat. Drum in place to wash out motor.</p> <p>Rex recontacted Champion Lakes to check and see tent allowed in marshalling area. Email received from Lindsay to say it is okay.</p> <p>Barb purchased bigger tents and are to be stored in container. DBWA trailer to be stored in container. Investigate a way of providing ramp access.</p> <p>Need to organise a meeting with John and VenuesWest to discuss storage requirements.</p>
2.3.	Hosting of food at State Titles	BC	<p>Issue: Offer was to be made to State Team via Team Manager, Paula, to see if they wanted to host food at State Championship. Deadline for response yes/no is 5 February 2012.</p>	PC	State Team not interested. EOI to clubs with a reply date of 20 February 2012.
2.4.	Telethon Splash	KP	<p>Topic: Telethon Splash – match racing.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Terms of entry to be determined 2. Clubs to be contacted 3. Flyer to be produced 	KP	Telethon Splash has been cancelled. Advised in email dated 21 February 2012
2.5.	Winter distance events	RT	<p>Update required: Memo was to be circulated to clubs – how is this progressing?</p>	RT	<p>* Denmark: Rex has contacted Lexie re logistics.</p> <p>* Ravenswood: 19 and 20 June. Murray Bend option to launch boats. Rex to check out course.</p> <p>* Augusta event: Garrick Wilson, Whale Watch festival, 3, 4, 5 June. 8.5km marathon from Malloy Island. Board agreed that it was too much for this year, but definitely interested next year.</p>
2.6.	Nationals 2012	KP	<p>Topics:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Deputy President Rick Salisbury will attend President Drinks in Melbourne as Kristin Priest is not going to Nationals. 2. Determine who will attend General Meeting and hold the DBWA votes. 3. Agenda items for the General Meeting. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Fare equalisation. b. How smaller States are to compete 	All	Paula, Barb, Graeme, Cherie are DBWA delegates for General Meeting.

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			<p>with large States when bidding for Nationals.</p> <p>c. Increase in AusDBF paddlers fees so costs spread across all paddlers, not just those attending Australian Championships.</p>		
2.7.	State Team uniform	BC	<p>Update required: How are State Team uniforms progressing ?</p> <p>Note: It was decided to charge paddlers for uniform and DBWA pay the paddling fee.</p>	PC	New logo to be adopted. AusDBF support this concept. Uniforms are ordered through Hot Cotton, samples to be provided at State Training this week. Paula is organising state uniforms. Liaise with Barbara re paddler registrations and uniform order once selection made.
2.8.	Coaching position – Categories	KP	<p>Update required: Sue Robert’s role of assistant coach to manage training sessions – how is this going?</p>	MK	Noted that Sue has not been given any responsibility.
2.9.	State Team training	KP	<p>Topic: State team training – administration and implementation.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Training schedule – 5 Jan DBWA meeting rejected the training plan and required a revised plan to include training at other ventures and a change of times so clubs were not disadvantaged by their paddlers attending State Training. These requirements have not been fulfilled, and in some instances overruled without authority. What has been occurring and why? 2. Have the State Team members been finalised? 3. Board to clarify whether paddlers that were not on the EOI list will be permitted in the State Team. 4. Fremantle boat damaged at State training – what happened and why? 	MK/PC	<p>Motion:</p> <p>To apply for exemption for a Grand Master sweep to sweep the GGD Women’s crew – done and approved by AusDBF.</p> <p>To apply for exemption for a Grand Master to sweep the GGD - done and approved by AusDBF.</p> <p>Mixed crew on the basis that we do not have any GGD sweeps in WA.</p> <p>Proposed: Barbara Clarkson</p> <p>Seconded: Paula Cottingham.</p> <p>State Team members not finalised. Last of ergos done 5 February. Marco will finalise list this week.</p> <p>Front of one boat T-boned the side of another boat and punctured the shell of the boat. Not able to be used until repaired. Rex will advise cost of repairs and DBWA to reimburse him.</p> <p>Sweep incident reports sent to Marco to be returned to DBWA.</p>
2.10	Future of the sport	KP	<p>Topic: How does DBWA develop and grow the sport in WA?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What issues do we need to consider? 2. What are our priorities? 3. How and when do we address the issues? 	All	<p>Open brainstorming session and ideas. No decisions were made, but these ideas were suggested:</p> <p>*Engage premiers more; they are the future of sport and will have ideas about how to attract more premiers.</p> <p>*Make regattas more family-friendly; lots of people have partners and kids who may like to get more involved. Also, in</p>

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					<p>the future maybe the kids would like to join the junior teams.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * May need to employ people to help with running the sport; it is an operational board with a lot to do. * Music at regattas. * Racing for 'A Division' and 'B Division' paddlers; would allow the experienced paddlers to be very competitive while providing race events for the developing paddlers. * More corporate events; raise profile, people see it and get to know what dragon boating is. * Champion Lakes is a bit sterile. * Dept Sport & Rec – might be able to do presentation on how to engage and grow clubs? * Development racing on river – use this as the 'B Division' racing for the new and developing paddlers. Can progress to racing at Champion Lakes for more serious competitive racing. * Match racing – flags * Maybe don't have 200 m and 500 m at each regatta, but mix it up with flag racing. * Relay race
2.11	State flag bearer	BC	Update: Announcement made at 15 Jan regatta; Gordy Waycott accepted the position.	All	Noted.
2.12	City of Perth Regatta Chinese New Year	KP	Context: A proposed regatta coinciding with Chinese New Year		Regatta to be targeted for 2013 due lack to time for planning for 2012.
3.	Correspondence in				
3.1.	Email from Marco re exemptions at AusDBF Championships		Info Bulletin No 2, on page 5 clearly states that AusDBF will not be considering any exemptions to belong to more than one club. Database sent to AusDBF on 1 January so too late to join another club.		Kristin to reply to Marco.
3.2.					
4.	New business				
4.1.	Finance report	CC	Topic: Present Balance Sheet, Profit and Loss and Reconciliation Report	CC	Circulated.
4.2.	David Blackley Award	KP	Pending: Email sent to all clubs. Nominations close 1 March.	BC/RT	Circulated to clubs.

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4.3.	Purchase of laptop	CC	Update required: Cherie to source laptop for financial use.	CC	Done. \$799, plus software & set up = \$897.
4.4.	Grand Prix regatta dates and 2014 Aus Champs				Dates to be booked, as per 5 year calendar.
4.5.	AusDBF Ambassadors				No further action.

Meeting close:	Meeting close 7.45pm
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Next meeting	
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