



**MOTORCYCLING NSW LIMITED
MINUTES OF THE BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING
HELD AT MOTORCYCLING NSW,
9 PARKES STREET, HARRIS PARK
ON THURSDAY 19th MARCH 2015.**

PRESENT Christine TICKNER Chairperson
Leon SAYERS
David MORGAN

APOLOGIES Ron KIVOVITCH
Mark FITZSIMONS

IN ATTENDANCE Daniel GATT General Manager
Dale GILSON (Partial) CEO – Motorcycling Australia

MEETING OPENED 5.40pm

The Chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed all to the meeting, she provided apologies for Directors Mark Fitzsimons and Ron Kivovitch who were both unable to attend.

B3.1- Minutes of the Directors Meeting held 26th February 2015

MOTION #1- That the minutes of the Directors meeting held on the 26th February 2015 are received.

Carried

There were no corrections noted

MOTION #2- That the minutes of the Directors meeting held on the 26th February 2015 are confirmed.

Carried

a. Business Arising

B2.3.7 – Director Dave Morgan sought advice as to which standard takes precedence in a situation where a helmet has an AS1698 compliant sticker as well as a Snell 2005 non-compliant label. Whilst a discussion was had, it was determined that the GM should seek a decision from Motorcycling Australia and report back.

There was no further business arising

B3.2- Financial Reports

MOTION #3- That the MNSW Limited financial report for February 2015 be received.

Carried

A query was raised why there were two cost centres for Repairs and Maintenance for the Ian Packer Junior Training Facility. The GM noted that he was unsure and would find out.

MOTION #4- That the MNSW Limited financial report for February 2015 be approved.

Carried

The GM provided an email from an employee who had recently resigned accusing another staff member of misappropriation of company funds. Further, the correspondence implied that the GM had failed to take action and that as result he was party to the issues. The employee resigned her position within the email. The GM continued that the email had also been forwarded to the President and Company Auditor as a blind copy (BCC). The President confirmed that she had received the email and contacted the auditor the next working day and arranged for the auditor to investigate the claims. The GM explained to the Directors that he had in fact investigated the allegations and found no evidence to support the claims. Further to that, and at the request of the President, the company auditor spent several days investigating the books and provided a written report to the Directors that there was no evidence of any impropriety and that the GM and the staff member were cleared of any wrong doing. He did provide some areas where the procedure of handling cash could be improved which the GM acknowledged he would implement.

The Directors were provided a copy of the allegation and the corresponding report clearing the parties involved from the auditor for their records.

B3.2.1 - Accounts Reconciliation

The Chairperson inspected the Cheque Register for February 2015 and advised the report was satisfactory in her opinion.

MOTION #5- That the Cheque Register for February 2015 of \$321856.35 be approved.

Carried

The meeting was suspended at 7pm . Mr Dale Gilson, CEO of Motorcycling Australia joined the meeting. Mr Gilson spoke in general with Directors regarding several matters pertaining to Motorcycling NSW and Motorcycling Australia. Mr Gilson left the meeting which resumed at 8.45pm

B3.3 General Business

B3.3.1 – Whole of Sport Review – The Directors discussed the progress on the “Whole of Sport Review” being conducted by MA. As the review is still being undertaken, there was little to discuss.

B3.3.2 – Minutes – National Managers meeting – A review of the minutes of the National Managers meeting was provided to the Directors who discussed and noted the contents.

B3.3.3 – Media Release – The GM provided two media releases regarding the futures of two road race circuits in Australia. Whilst no action is required, they were provided simply for discussion and information purposes.

B3.3.4 – Motocross Sports Committee minutes – The Motocross Sports Committee minutes for February were provided to the Directors for their information. The contents were noted.

B3.3.5- Award of Honour – Mr Dave Smith nominated Mr Warren Scott to be recommended to the delegates to receive an Award of Honour for his outstanding contribution to the sport over many years.

MOTION #6 that Mr Warren Scott is recommended to the delegates to receive an MNSW Award of Honour for his contribution to the sport over many years.

Carried

B3.3.6 – Award of Honour – Life Member Jan Blizzard nominated Mr Steve Wyres to be recommended to the delegates to receive an Award of Honour for his outstanding contribution to the sport over many years.

MOTION #7 that Mr Steve Wyres is recommended to the delegates to receive an MNSW Award of Honour for his contribution to the sport over many years.

Carried

B3.3.7 – Award of Honour – Life Member Jan Blizzard nominated Mrs Alison Lewis to be recommended to the delegates to receive an Award of Honour for her outstanding contribution to the sport over many years.

MOTION #8 that Mrs Alison Lewis is recommended to the delegates to receive an MNSW Award of Honour for her contribution to the sport over many years.

Carried

B3.3.8 – Award of Merit – Life Member Jan Blizzard nominated Mr Craig Johnston to be recommended to the delegates to receive an Award of Merit for his outstanding contribution to the sport over many years.

MOTION #9 that Mr Craig Johnston is recommended to the delegates to receive an MNSW Award of Merit for his contribution to the sport over many years.

Carried

B3.3.9 – Service Star – Life Member Jan Blizzard nominated Mr Chris Baker to be recommended to the delegates to receive a Service Star for his outstanding contribution to the sport over many years.

MOTION #10 that Mr Chris Baker is recommended to the delegates to receive an MNSW Service Star for his contribution to the sport over many years.

Carried

B3.3.10 – Correspondence MA – The Directors received a response from the Board of Motorcycling Australia regarding an insurance issue. The Directors discussed the response and agreed to correspond in return. The GM is instructed to write to MA with an offer for both parties to be responsible for half of the incurred expenses including the legal fees.

B3.3.11 – Query regarding Family discount– The Directors received correspondence from a father who was disappointed that a birth certificate is not sufficient evidence to enable him to claim the family discount. The Directors discussed the correspondence and all agreed that the policy of providing a government issued Medicare card as the only form of acceptable evidence to claim the family rebate will remain. The GM is instructed to write to the correspondent with the Directors decision.

B3.3.12 – MNSW Moto Trials Sports Committee Correspondence – The Motorcycling NSW Moto Trials Sports Committee sought approval from the Board for recommendations to host the NSW Moto Trials State Championships. The Directors determined that further detail is required before a decision to endorse their recommendation could be made.

B3.3.13 – Shoalhaven Motorsport Complex update – An update was provided to the Directors regarding the Shoalhaven Motorsport Complex. The Directors noted the update.

B3.3.14 – Financials Nowra Districts Motorcycle Club – The Directors were provided an update from the GM regarding the outstanding monies owed to the Australian Taxation Office in relation to the Nowra Districts Motorcycle Club. He informed the Directors that the issue has now been settled in favour of the club.

B3.3.15 – Maitland City Council – The GM provided an update on the happenings regarding the parcel of land at Maitland. The Directors sought further advice from the GM. The Directors were satisfied with its progress to date, although would prefer that it progressed at a quicker rate.

B3.3.16 – Strategic planning report – Held over until more Directors were present.

B3.3.17 – Carnet – For their information, the GM provided a copy of the carnet secured for Mr Darryl Raynor.

B3.3.18 – Rule change submissions – The GM provided the Directors with a copy of rule changes that were submitted to MA directly from the Moto Trials Sports committee and a participant from Motocross. Having already been submitted directly to MA, the information was for the Directors information only.

B3.3.19 – Noise Rules – During discussions with Dale Gilson, Director Dave Morgan asked if any progress had been made on the noise rules. Mr Gilson was unsure and assured the Director that he would investigate and provide a response to Mr Morgan. The Directors discussed this matter whilst Mr Gilson was in attendance and after he had left as well.

B3.3.20 – Upper Horton Trail Ride – The GM presented a submission from the promoter of the Upper Horton Trail ride who was upset that the office had increased his prices to conduct the event. The GM explained that the information provided by the promoter in previous years categorised the meeting as a trail ride which has a different pricing structure to what the event really was. The office imposed the same fees on the event that all other clubs and promoters were charged for similar events sighting that one promoter should not receive any advantage over another for the same style event. The Directors agreed with the position of the office, however acknowledged that the increase was quite large from the prices that the event was accustomed. The Directors agreed that a compromise should be offered to the promoter to bring him back into the fee structure over two events (2 years).

B3.3.21 – Alliance Manager – Director Dave Morgan asked why the Alliance Manager had not attended the meeting as planned. The GM advised that with Mr Gilson attending coupled with the heavy workload of the Alliance Manager of late, that the GM advised that he had taken annual leave with the approval of the GM. The GM did confirm that the Alliance manager would attend the next meeting if the Directors so wished.

With no further business the meeting was closed at 9.50pm
