



**MOTORCYCLING NSW LIMITED
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
HELD AT 9 PARKES STREET, HARRIS PARK
ON THURSDAY 16th AUGUST 2012.**

PRESENT	Christine TICKNER Peter DOW Dave MORGAN Leon SAYERS Garry THOMAS	Chairperson
IN ATTENDANCE	Daniel GATT David WHITE	General Manager CEO – Motorcycling Australia
APOLOGIES	Nil	
MEETING OPENED	6.30pm	

The Chairperson welcomed all to the meeting. She welcomed Mr David White, CEO of Motorcycling Australia to the meeting.

B8.1- Minutes of the Directors Meeting held 19th July 2012

MOTION #1 that the minutes of the Directors meeting held on the 19th July 2012 be received.

Carried

- a. **Corrections** – There were no corrections

MOTION #2 that the minutes of the Directors meeting held on the 19th July 2012 are confirmed.

Carried

- a. **Business Arising**

B7.3.8 – Director Dave Morgan noted that the GM had purchased a new company vehicle and sought the final details. The GM confirmed that the vehicle was purchased and would be delivered the following week. He continued by informing the Directors that the final purchase price was \$4000.00 less than the approved budget.

B7.3.16 - The GM confirmed that the upgraded server is being built and that its likely install date will be the 31st August 2012.

B8.2- Financial Reports

MOTION #3 that the MNSW Limited financial report for July 2012 be received.

Carried

There were no questions regarding this report.

MOTION #4 that the MNSW Limited financial report for July 2012 be approved.

Carried

B8.2.1 - Accounts Reconciliation

The Chairperson inspected the Cheque Register for July 2012 and advised the report was satisfactory in her opinion.

MOTION #5 that the Cheque Register for July 2012 of \$291628.46 be approved.

Carried

The Chairperson invited David White to address the board and explain his attendance at the meeting. David indicated that after meeting with the GM several weeks earlier, it was agreed that mounting frustrations and hostilities between MNSW and MA were not productive for the sport. It was suggested that part of the reason was poor communication process on both sides had resulted in neither side having a solid understanding of each others intent when decisions are made. As a result it was suggested that David attend the MNSW Board meeting on a quarterly basis to improve the communication of the two and for MA to gain a better understanding of the MNSW culture and the problems and issues faced at that level that are seldom considered by MA at national level. It also provides MNSW with the ability to be fully informed, and have the ability to ask questions about any manner directly with MA to be able to make better decisions on the sport.

The Directors all agreed that this is a worthwhile initiative.

David White took the opportunity to answer a number of concerns of the Directors and answer a number of questions regarding a range of topics including Helmet Rules, funding issues, Rule changes and the processes adopted and Calendar setting. David White also sought clarification on some issues which was provided by the Directors and the GM where necessary.

The Chairperson thanked David White and invited him to stay for the remainder of the meeting and to provide input where he feels he could.

B8.3 General Business

B8.3.1 – Press Release– The GM showed the Directors a story from the local Shoalhaven print media, the article quoted the local Mayors disappointment with the NSW State Government for not assisting with the proposed facility. The GM explained to the Directors that MNSW had no part in this article and that MNSW had written to all parties noting that MNSW will not be drawn into any political bickering. The Directors discussed this matter further.

B8.3.2 – Minikhana Sports Committee Minutes – The Minikhana Sports committee June minutes were presented to the Directors for their information. The Directors noted the contents

B8.3.3– Licence Figures – Motorcycling Australia had presented the monthly licence figures for July 2012. To date the company licence figures are relatively unchanged from the same time last year (increase of 29 licences) and only 4 licences down from 2010. The Directors were satisfied with the result as it is not consistent with the national trend. Motorcycling Queensland (the most comparable business) is down 300 licences from 2011 and 700 from 2010.

B8.3.4 – Staff Minutes – Minutes of the most recent staff meeting were presented to the Directors. The GM explained a number of items that were questioned by the Directors. The Directors were satisfied with the response.

B8.3.5– Speedway Championships – The Directors considered the recommendation of the Speedway Sports Committee regarding the allocation of the Speedway State Championships. The Directors requested further information to confirm their decision. The GM resolved to provide the detail via email the following day.

MOTION #6 that subject to confirmation, Tamworth MCC will host the U/21s and 350cc Championship on the 3rd November 2012. Central Coast Junior MCC will host the u/16s Junior Title and the Junior Sidecar Title on the 1st weekend of October 2012.

Carried

B8.3.6 NSW Motorcycle Alliance – The Board were updated on recent developments of the NSW Motorcycle Alliance. The Manager of the Alliance provided a report of recent activities. The GM advised that the Alliance manager will attend the September Board meeting as per their request at the last Directors meeting

B8.3.7 Motocross Sports committee minutes – The Minikhana Sports committee June minutes were presented to the Directors for their information. The Directors noted the contents

B8.3.8 NSW Post Classic Dirt Track Championships – A submission has been received for the 2012 NSW Post Classic Dirt Track Championships to be hosted by the City of Penrith MCC on the 25th November 2012. The Directors discussed the proposal and noted the proposed date was after the Night of Champions where the riders receive the State Championship awards. The Directors determined that since this Championship has not been held for many years, that they would permit it to proceed after the Night of Champions for 2012 only.

MOTION #7 that City of Penrith MCC will host the 2012 Post Classic Dirt Track Championships on the 25th November 2012.

Carried

B8.3.9 – Annual Recreational licence Scheme – The NSW Directors approved the scheme for clubs to sell annual recreational licences to riders similar to single use licences. The GM showed the Directors a sample of the books. The GM also proposed to provide clubs with an incentive to promote the sale of these licences that the “selling” club will receive \$20.00 from each licence sold, the Directors agreed with this scheme as it also gives the clubs an avenue to fund raise.

B8.3.10 – MA Governance document – The GM provided a copy of the proposed MA governance document which requires feedback by the 1st September 2012. It was suggested that Directors read the document in the next week or so and provide the GM with feedback via email to formulate a response on behalf of the company.

B8.3.11– 7.3.11 Inspectors report / Official disciplinary action – As required at the last meeting, the Official noted in the previous minutes provided a written explanation to his actions. The Directors discussed that matter at great length and took into account the actions of the official, the inspector, the ramifications on the club and the sport. A long debate was had with many valid points being raised. The GM is instructed to write to the official and notify him of the decision of the Directors. The Chairperson was excused from this discussion owing to a conflict of interest.

MOTION #8 that the official in question will be issued with a 12 month suspended suspension of his officials licence. Any major disciplinary breach in the next 12 months will result in a minimum 12 month immediate suspension of his licence. The official reserves the right o appeal the decision of the Directors.

Carried

B8.3.12 – 2013 Coaching affiliation - The GM raised an anomaly within the current system where a coach or coaching business does not need to affiliate to acquire a permit and the associated insurance cover from the company where all other members (clubs and promoters) do. The Directors considered this unfair to everyone else and has instructed the GM to provide a report to remedy this anomaly to the next meeting.

At this point of the meeting, Mr David White left the meeting as the remainder of the agenda items may have posed a conflict of interest for him. The Chairperson thanked Mr White for his attendance.

B8.3.13 – Correspondence MA regarding NSW Motorcycle Alliance – Correspondence was received from Motorcycling Australia regarding their concerns with the NSW Motorcycle Alliance. The GM drafted a response for the Directors to consider, after much consideration, the Directors approved the response on behalf of the company.

B8.4 from the Board

B8.4.1 – Junior training - Director Dave Morgan asked if the GM could clarify the junior coaching requirements for 2013. The GM noted he was not certain of the MA Boards final decision but noted that all Commissions, Councillors, and State Managers supported the proposal forwarded by MNSW. He noted that he would contact MA seeking clarification.

B8.4.2 – Road Racing Endorsement accreditation – The GM noted that Director Garry Thomas had contacted him seeking clarification on the requirements of a person to be able to endorse others to participate in certain disciplines such as Speedway, Sidecars or Junior Road Racing. The GM informed the Mr Thomas that he is required to submit a resume to the Directors outlining his experience. Mr Thomas submitted his resume for the Directors consideration. The Directors agreed that Mr Thomas would be suitably qualified to provide endorsements for juniors to participate in road racing in NSW.

MOTION #9 that Mr Garry Thomas be approved to provide endorsements for riders to participate in junior road racing in NSW.

Carried

With no further business the meeting was closed at 12.15am
