



**MOTORCYCLING NSW LIMITED
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
HELD AT 67 HIGH STREET, HARRIS PARK
ON THURSDAY 17th April 2008**

PRESENT: Christine TICKNER Chairperson
Dave MORGAN
Ian PACKER

APOLOGIES: Chris Price

IN ATTENDANCE: Daniel Gatt General Manager
Kerrie Mulyk Office Manager

Meeting Opened: 6.20 pm

The Chairperson opened the meeting and thanked all for attending. She informed the meeting that Director Chris Price had offered his apologies for the meeting as he was overseas and was unable to attend. It was noted that Mr Greg Moss had offered his resignation as a Director effective immediately. The Directors accepted his resignation and noted his contribution to the Board. The Office Manager was welcomed to the meeting and thanked for her attendance.

B4.1 Minutes of the Directors Meeting held 13th March 2008

MOTION #1 that the Minutes of the Directors meeting held on 13th March 2008 is received.

Carried

- (a) Corrections
Nil

MOTION #2 that the Minutes of the Directors meeting held 13th March 2008 is confirmed.

Carried

- (b) Matters arising

B3.4.1 (a) – Director Dave Morgan requested an update on the Gobert Issue. The meeting was furnished with an update on the current situation. The General Manager was instructed to write to Mr David White of Motorcycling Australia and request that the matter be addressed by the Motorcycling Australia Board of Directors and for them to inform MNSW what steps were going to be taken to bring the matter to a resolution.

B3.4.3 – The Board of Directors were updated on the initiation of the Junior Coaching Scheme which was recently approved. The Board were informed of the introduction of the Coaching Committee and the first of the MNSW provided Coaching Clinic's which was held at Nowra and run by Committee member, Mr Paul Caslick. The General Manager continued that he had spoken with members of Nowra DMCC who were present at the clinic and expressed their delight in the success of the first attempt. It was noted that other clubs should be encouraged to contact the office to run a coaching clinic at their clubs, including those that are outside of the Sydney Metropolitan Area.

B3.4.8 – Correspondence Mr Lindsay Rankmore - The Directors asked the GM if he had contacted Mr Rankmore regarding his correspondence. The GM confirmed he had spoken with Mr Rankmore who was accepting of the Directors decision and understood the decision made.

B4.2 The March 2008 Financial Report

MOTION #3 that the MNSW Limited March 2008 Financial Report be received

Carried

The Directors reviewed the financial report. There were no questions.

MOTION #4 that the MNSW Limited March 2008 Financial Report is approved.

Carried

B4.2.1 Accounts Reconciliation

The Chairperson inspected the Cheques Register for March 2008 and advised that in her opinion the report was satisfactory

MOTION #5 that the Cheque Register for March 2008 of \$366405.10 be approved.

Carried

B4.3 General Business

B4.3.1 General Managers Report - For the information of the Directors, the GM presented a verbal report on a number of issues that were currently being undertaken in the office

B4.3.1 (b) Junior Road Racing Forum – The GM informed the Directors that Motorcycling Australia had announced that the proposed Junior Road Race Forum was schedule to proceed between 2pm and 5pm on the 24th April 2008 in Melbourne. The Directors were informed that the GM had written to MA requesting the date be changed as the 24th April 2008, was the day before a public holiday and participants getting out of Melbourne on that afternoon would face considerable difficulty, it was also explained to MA that the date clashed with the MNSW Delegates meeting. MA cancelled the meeting and would arrange an alternative date.

B4.3.1 (c) Arbitration and Disciplinary Tribunal – Correspondence from Mr Tim Sanford was presented to the Board of Directors. Mr Sanford had accepted the invitation from the Board to be part of the A&D Tribunal. The Directors instructed the GM to arrange a meeting with the entire A&D Tribunal and the MNSW appointed inspectors as soon as possible.

B4.3.1 (d) Inspectors Report – The GM tabled a report to the Board outlining the findings of the MNSW appointed inspector relating to the matter involving Mr A McNeice and Mr C Price. The Board considered the report and unanimously supported the view outlined within the document. The GM is instructed to write to both parties informing each of the Boards position on the matter.

MOTION #6 that the recommendations of the MNSW appointed inspector regarding the matters concerning Mr A McNiece and Mr C Price be adopted.

Carried

B4.3.2 Correspondence from Central Coast Junior MCC – Central Coast Junior MCC sent correspondence requesting a reference be provided that they can submit to the local council to assist in overcoming noise issues raised by the clubs neighbours. The Board of Directors approved the request and instructed the GM to draft the letter and to assist the club in overcoming the issues raised in the correspondence.

B4.3.3 Correspondence from Paramedical Services Pty Ltd – Paramedical Services Pty Ltd sent to the Directors an introductory letter, introducing their company as a provider of medical services. The Board indicated that they should meet with the company and investigate the possibility of offering the company, along with a number of similar type of suitably qualified service providers the opportunity to tender their services to MNSW to on hire to clubs. The Office Manager and Director Dave Morgan offered to be included in the meeting.

B4.3.4 Correspondence from the Dirt Track Sports Committee – The Directors received the minutes of the March and April 2008 Dirt Track Sports Committee meetings. Their contents were noted. The GM is instructed to contact the committee and address the concerns raised.

B4.3.5 Correspondence from the Minikhana Sports Committee – The Directors received the minutes of the March 2008 Minikhana Sports Committee meeting. The Board noted the length of the minutes and the number of issues raised. The GM is instructed to contact the Minikhana committee and ascertain if the issues listed have been resolved or does the committee request further clarification from MNSW. If so the GM is instructed to address the issues raised and report back to the Board of Directors

B4.3.6 Proposed drag strip and racing Circuit (Port Stephens) – The MNSW Board of Directors was presented with a council letter and also a newspaper article in relation to a proposed new racing circuit and drag strip being planned in the Port Stephens area of NSW. The Board of Directors were asked to present a letter supporting the proposal to the local council.

MOTION #7 that MNSW provide correspondence to Port Stephens local council supporting the development of the proposed Drag strip and racing circuit.

Carried

B4.3.7 Correspondence from Mr Paul Mahoney and Mr G Cromb – The Board of Directors noted 2 separate pieces of correspondence from Mr Paul Mahoney and Mr Grant Comb regarding potential developments of private riding parks in Port Macquarie and Coonabarabran respectively. The Directors discussed the matter and resolved that both submissions are requesting MNSW advice and support in the construction of these facilities. The GM is to write to both developers offering any advisory service that MNSW can provide and be available to further discuss the needs of each applicant if they require.

B4.3.8 Quotation for archiving – The Directors were presented with a quotation by Stevkell Holdings to archive the paper documents being stored by MNSW onto an electronic format. The Board of Directors discussed the quotation and considered it to be reasonable and should be accepted. The GM is instructed to first seek legal advice as to the validity of scanned records as opposed to original documents. The GM took the opportunity to declare to the Board of Directors that the Directors of Stevkell Holdings are relations and that he would withdraw himself from discussion by the Board concerning the quotation.

MOTION #8 that subject to legal advice confirming the validity of scanned documents, that MNSW is to accept the quotation of Stevkell Holdings to archive electronically the stored licences at MNSW.

Carried

B4.3.9 Inspectors report (South Grafton) – the Directors discussed a report received from an MNSW appointed inspector relating to an incident at a recent meeting. The Directors instructed the GM to contact the inspector to provide further information and once received, the recommendations of the inspector should be enacted.

B4.3.10 Correspondence Mr Brian Hone – Mr Brian Hone wrote to the MNSW Board of Directors and offered his resignation from the Appellate Body. Mr Hone has retired from law and has moved to Queensland. The Board instructed MNSW to contact Mr Hone thanking him for his long service with the company and to convey their best wishes for his retirement.

B4.4 From the President

B4.4.1 MA Council meeting report – The President presented a report regarding the most recent MA Council Meeting. The Directors were informed of a number of matters that were raised at the meeting including a resolution to continue with the Riders Division, a review of the Restricted National Licence, the proposed Sporting pulse database, and the accrediting of Level 4 officials. The Directors discussed the report from the President and noted its content.

B4.4.2 Correspondence from the Special Projects Officer – The President read an email received from the Special Projects Officer. The Directors noted its content but felt the Special Projects Officer may have been mistaken in his understanding of the issues raised.

B4.4.3 Correspondence from MA regarding Sporting Pulse - Motorcycling Australia had released the contracts for the Sporting Pulse Database to be signed by each SCB. MNSW sought legal advice on the contract and although some minor points were raised it was determined that the contract should be signed. The GM offered to contact Andrew Weiss of Motorcycling Australia and obtain a final payment figure prior to MNSW signing the contract.

MOTION #9 that MA is to provide MNSW with a final price that all SCBs and MA are required to pay for their contribution in the purchase of the new Sporting pulse Database. On receiving this information, the Board of Directors will sign the contracts and commit to the purchase of the database.

Carried

B4.4.4 Correspondence regarding End cases for Road Racing – A number of emails were read to the Directors by the President. These emails were sent Between Kipley Firth (PA to the CEO of MA) and the President of MNSW. The President was seeking clarification from MA regarding the introduction of end cases in road racing and how the wording of the new rule leaves the interpretation of the rule vague and misleading to most competitors and officials. The Board were disappointed in the response received from Ms Firth, as the initial request was sent to Mr White. It is the Board of Directors opinion that Mr White is the CEO and he should be addressing the issues raised personally. This opinion is supported by the fact the information contained within the correspondence from Ms Firth is incorrect and not accurate.

MOTION #10 that the GM writes to the CEO of MA and request he addresses the issues raised to him personally in future. Clarification is sought on the original issue regarding end cases. The GM is also instructed to ascertain why the PA to the CEO is charged with making decisions on rulings and under what authority she does so and provide a copy of the email correspondence for his information.

Carried

With no further business the meeting was closed at 11.00pm
