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**MOTORCYCLING NSW LIMITED
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
HELD AT 67 HIGH STREET, HARRIS PARK
ON THURSDAY 18th JANUARY 2007**

PRESENT: Christine TICKNER Chairperson
Dave MORGAN
Bill PENGILLY
Chris PRICE

APOLOGIES: Jan BLIZZARD

IN ATTENDANCE: Rob Madden CEO

Meeting Opened: 6.20pm

The Chairperson opened the meeting and thanked all for attending the first meeting of the New Year.

B01.1 Minutes of the Directors Meeting held 7th December 2006

MOTION #1 The Minutes of the Directors Meeting held on 7 December 2006 be received.

Carried

- (a) Corrections
Nil

MOTION #2 The Minutes of the Directors Meeting held 7 December 2006 are confirmed.

Carried

- (b) Matters arising
Nil

B01.2 The December 2006 Financial Report

MOTION #3 The MNSW Limited December 2006 Financial Report be received

Carried

The Directors noted the gross income for the year had reached \$2.3M. There were no other questions or comments on this draft pre-audited report.

MOTION #4 The MNSW Limited December 2006 Financial Report be approved.

Carried

B01.2.1 Accounts Reconciliation

The Chairperson inspected the Cheque Register for December 2006 and advised that in her opinion the report was satisfactory.

MOTION #5 That payments for December 2006 of \$151,527.43 be approved.

Carried

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B01.3 General Business

B01.3.1 Correspondence from James Spence – Correspondence to the Directors was discussed regarding this Promoters upcoming race meeting and the distribution of non-approved Supplementary Regulations, while purporting to be an MNSW Club Permitted event and using one event licenses.

Because of the time frame and the need to resolve the issues, the matter has been resolved as the President and Vice President had to make a number of decisions which could not wait until the Directors met in person tonight. The Directors present endorsed the decisions of the President and Vice President.

MOTION #6 The decision of the President and Vice President that this meeting was a National Open and one event licenses could not be used is endorsed by the Directors.
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Carried

This meeting and circumstances raised a number of issues which are also being followed in other disciplines. Private Promoters who use Clubs to apply for a cheap permit are placing the Clubs at risk, and these Clubs need to be advised of the consequences of this practice should something go amiss.

The Directors discussed the practice of conducting road race meetings and the high costs of doing so. It was resolved that there are some major differences between promoting a road race club day and a Motox or Dirt Track club day, road race days needing far more preparation and procedures to be in place prior to the day of the event.

MOTION #7 That from 1 January 2007 all Road Race meeting (including Club) conducted in NSW must use Supplementary Regulations approved by MNSW, the same procedures followed as all Historic Road Race and National Open meetings are required to follow.
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Carried

There was also discussion and all agreed that all Member Clubs must be advised if they agree to their name being placed on any permit application as the promoter (which is really being promoted by someone else and they are not the actual promoter running the event) they are placing themselves at severe risk of being accountable for any errors/mistakes and punitive damages or claims. The Directors strongly recommend to Clubs they do not participate in this practice.

B01.3.2 Sports Committee By-Laws – A number of Directors have been questioned on how people are graded in their discipline of the sport. There was discussion on this process criterion, which should be accessible to all riders and be common knowledge. State Team selection was also discussed and this process must be recorded and available for members to refer to.

It was agreed that Sports Committee By-Laws must be adjusted to show the process of Team and Individual representation and also state grading criteria.

MOTION #8 That all MNSW discipline Sports Committee By-Laws are to show rider grading processes and policy and State Team selection policy so this may be communicated to all officials and riders.
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Carried

B01.3.3 Minikhana By-Laws – Correspondence was received from Mr B Niven purporting to be from the Sports Committee requesting approval of a By-Law which would counter the new rule book and allow the new 150cc 4stroke machine to participate in Minikhana events.

The Directors requested the matter be referred back to the 3 Administrators for their confirmation that this request had been canvassed widely amongst the Minikhana fraternity and the Administrators advised of the process to have the rules changed. By-Laws cannot over ride a GCR rule.

MOTION #9 That the request for a By-Law changing the capacity of machines used in Minikhana is not approved.

Carried

B01.3.4 Correspondence from Speedway Sports Committee - The MNSW Speedway Sports Committee minutes for December 2006 were tabled and noted.

B01.3.5 Application from 50 Tour.com - An application from 50 Tour.com to conduct the Fast 50 Mini Bike Championships was tabled and reviewed.

The Directors noted this Promoter has not as yet promoted any meeting under any SCB or MA jurisdiction. The class is not an Australian Championship and the application does not comply with the State Championship criteria therefore the MNSW MX Committee has recommended to not approved the application.

MOTION #10 That the application to conduct the 2007 NSW Fast 50 Mini Bike Championship from 50 Tour.com is not approved.

Carried

B01.3.6 Stewards Report from K Roberts – A copy of the Stewards and Clerk of Course Reports from a recent meeting at Nowra was distributed to the Directors.

Ms Roberts has advised she believes the Club has addressed this matter to her satisfaction and no further action needs to be taken. The behavior of this parent was totally unacceptable and the MNSW office is to write to this parent and he be placed on notice that should there be a further incident, action will be taken against him.

B01.3.7 Correspondence from Macarthur DMCS – Correspondence from the Office Manager and subsequent reply from the Macarthur DMCS club were distributed and read.

The Directors, while they can understand some points raised by the club, endorsed the actions of the Office Manager and agreed with his comments. They further discussed the similarities between this club and the Hunter MCC operation as well as others. The Directors resolved that the Macarthur club will have the same conditions placed on it as was placed on the Hunter club who carry out similar social riding activities. No MA permit or events will be permitted while social riding not permitted are being conducted or vice a versa.

MOTION #11 That the Office Manager's actions are in line with the company policy and the Directors approve of the comments appearing in the correspondence. That no MA Permit shall be issued to Macarthur DMS club while they hold any extra or additional activities on the same day at the Appin Track which are not noted on the application or the MA permit.

Carried

B01.3.8 Correspondence from NSW Sport & Recreation – Copies of letters written to two Promoters regarding Speedway Speedcar activities on MA licensed tracks which were not licensed for speedway cars were tabled.

The most recent was to Spokes Promotions who ran the event at the Sydney Showground. The CEO advised the Board of the problem with this event, and the fact that MA issued the permit and neither MNSW nor NSW Sport & Recreation had a copy of the permit.

There was further discussion on MA issuing permits in NSW when MNSW remains accountable for the events to NSW Sport & Recreation.

The discussion highlighted a number of issues regarding MA, such as the calendar not being available, the clashing of SuperX events when the dates are changed and the Insurance premium fees not as yet being available. The Chairperson was of the opinion there was enough matters to justify the MA CEO being invited to the next Directors Meeting where these matters could be addressed with the MA CEO and MNSW Board Members

MOTION #12 That the MA CEO be invited to the next Director Meeting to discuss a number of issues but specifically the practice of MA issuing permits in NSW.

Carried

B01.3.9 Correspondence from Mr J McLeary – Correspondence from Mr McLeary regarding replacement costs of a missing AMB transponder.

The Board was sympathetic to Mr McLeary's position and agreed under these extenuating circumstances the cost of replacement of the transponder would be written off.

MOTION #13 That under the circumstances the cost of the transponder to be written off.

Carried

B01.3.10 Correspondence from M Avar – Correspondence from Mr M Avar regarding the promotion of a Moto Mayhem event at Oran Park in February 2007 was discussed. The Directors expressed concern with the short lead-time with only 1 month before the event.

The concept of running 8 different types of events on the same day was ambitious to say the least but it was not considered as "club day" events and therefore must be run on an open permit.

The more the Directors discussed the proposal the more questions were raised. It was decided to ask Mr Avar to meet the Directors where they could ask their questions in person.

MOTION #14 That Mr M Avar be requested to meet with the Directors next Tuesday afternoon and explain how he intended to run this event comprising of 8 different disciplines.

Carried

B01.3.11 Affiliation of Detour Pty Ltd – A written application from Detour Pty Ltd to affiliate with MNSW and conduct Off Road Trail Tours in the Coffs Harbour area was tabled.

The Directors agreed to the application in principle and set the fees for these types of activities so consistency will be applied.

B01.3.12 Sports Law Course – Correspondence from the UTS University regarding Sports Law for the Industry was tabled and discussed.

The Directors were of the opinion that this may help some of the staff and they would speak to the Office Manager next week and ask if he was interested in attending this course.

MOTION #15 That the MNSW Office Manager be invited to attend a professional development course at UTS.

Carried

B01.3.13 Correspondence from C Price – Mr Price tabled correspondence to the Board regarding a statement in the 2007 Manual of Motorcycle Sport and specifically the reference to MA Directors being appointed by the States when two of those Directors are appointed by the Directors themselves.

There was some spirited discussion on the make-up of Directors and the MA Constitution was referred to.

It was agreed the Constitution could be worded better and so the decision was to put a motion to change the Constitution of MA at the next Annual General Meeting.

MOTION #12 That MNSW will submit a motion to change Clause 57 and Clause 36 of the MA Constitution at the 2007 AGM which will restrict the Chairperson to a casting vote only, not the current position of 2 votes, and secondly that all Directors are elected by the Members (SCBs) eliminating the practice of the Directors appointing additional Directors.

Carried

Meeting closed 10.50pm
