



**MOTORCYCLING NSW LIMITED
MINUTES OF THE BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING
HELD AT 67 HIGH STREET, HARRIS PARK
ON THURSDAY 16 FEBRUARY 2006**

PRESENT: Christine TICKNER Chairperson
 Dave MORGAN
 Bill PENGILLY
 Jan BLIZZARD
 Herb CONLON

IN ATTENDANCE: Rob Madden CEO
 Mr Jonathon SMITH Company Auditor (from 8.00 pm)

Meeting Opened: 5.15pm

The Chairperson opened the meeting and thanked all for attending. The Directors were advised the Auditor would be presenting the 2005 Financial Report latter in the evening.

B021 Minutes of the Board Meeting held 19 Janury 2006.

MOTION #1 The Minutes of the Directors Meeting held on 19 January 2006 be received.

Carried

(a) Corrections
 Nil

MOTION #3 The Minutes of the Directors Meeting held 16 February 1006 are confirmed.

Carried

(b) Matters arising

CEO advised the Board he attended a meeting with Dept. of Tourism, Sport & Recreation and has gained an extension to the Grant Application closing date. A written confirmation from MNSW is required to be submitted to confirm the extension request.

B02.2 The January 2006 Financial Report

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

Carried

The Directors reviewed the final report for the year prior to the Auditor taking over the accounts. It was noted the surplus for the year was smaller than last year and could be an indication of difficulties being experienced by some competitors with the increased costs to attend race meetings.

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

Carried



B02.2.1 Accounts Reconciliation

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

MOTION #5 Payments for January 06 \$199,528.27 be approved.
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Carried

B02.3 General Business

B02.3.1 State Championship application from Oakdale MCC - An application from Oakdale MCC to conduct the final round of the 2006 Junior MotoCross Championship was received and reviewed. The Board directed that in future the reference to AMB Electronic timing hire charges be removed from all approved Supplementary Regulations in all disciplines.

In addition, the Board were concerned that championship medallions must be presented on the day of the last round providing there are no outstanding protests.

The MX Sports Committee and the promoter to be advised that at the final round of the State Championship, medallions should be presented to classes which have been completed and signed off by the Steward.

MOTION #6 The application from the Oakdale Junior MX Club to run Rd 3 of the 2006 NSW Junior MX Championship is approved.
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Carried

B02.3.2 Nomination for Award of Merit - The Board received a nomination for the Award of Merit from The President for Mrs Marian Burrow. The Directors discussed the nominations and agree unanimously that Mrs Burrow was worthy of the nomination.

MOTION #7 That the nomination for the Award of Merit for Mrs Burrow be approved and presented to the next State Delegates Meeting for their ratification.
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Carried

B02.3.3 NSW DTSR Grant - The Co-Operative Agreement from the Department of Tourism, Sport & Recreation for the period of 2006 to 2008 needs to be signed and returned to the Department if we are to be included in the next Government Grant scheme.

The Directors are aware the grant requires a Business Plan which the CEO is producing to be included with the application. The Directors agreed to sign the application and plan when it is completed.

MOTION #8 That the President and Vice President sign the 2006 – 2008 NSW Department of Tourism, Sport & Recreation Co-Operative Agreement and attach the Company Seal so MNSW may participate in the Governments Grant scheme.

Carried

B02.3.4 Correspondence from Motorcycling Australia - The Chairperson tabled copies of the correspondence she had received from the MA President which was suppose to be a response to the SCB's direction to the MA Directors with a reference of NC1741 regarding the poor response and communications to all SCB's from MA.

The Directors reviewed the document and agreed it did not address the internal communication issues raised by the states at the last face to face Council Meeting. The document focused more on placing the blame for their failure to comply with time frames and operating transparently on issues such as there being no "national MA logo".

The MNSW Directors are adamantly against the direction Motorcycling Australia is suggesting and proposing.

MOTION #9 That MNSW does not endorse or support the proposal NC1741. MNSW will not change our logo, nor contribute financially to fund MA web site or communication to its 'stakeholders'

Carried

The Meeting was suspended at 7.30pm to receive the Financial Report from the Company Auditor.

MOTION #10 That MNSW February 2006 Directors Meeting be suspended.

Carried

The Meeting was reconvened at 8.00pm

MOTION #11 That MNSW February 2006 Director Meeting be reconvened.

Carried

B02.3.5 2005 Annual Financial Report - Mr Smith, the Company Auditor attended the meeting to present to the Directors the audited 2005 Annual Financial Report.

Mr Smith distributed the report and pointed the Directors to each page of the report with advice. The Directors asked questions on issues they were not sure on.

Mr Smith advised there had been a decrease in the income over the previous year in a number of areas such as rider levies and affiliation fees. The reduction of income had been compensated by the increase in license income and transponder hire charges.

The overall difference between the two years was approximately \$70,000.

The Directors were satisfied with the result and the report.

MOTION #12 That the 2005 Financial Report presented by the Company Auditor be approved.

Carried

MOTION #13 That the President and Vice President sign the Financial Report on behalf of the Director and affix the Company Seal to the report.

Carried

Mr Smith asked if there were no further questions could he be excused.

The Chairperson thanked the Auditor for attending the meeting and advised him the Annual General Meeting would be held on the 18th May 2006.

Mr Smith left the meeting at 8.40pm.

B02.3.6 MA Administrator's Meeting - CEO tabled the Agenda and corresponding paperwork for the up-coming MA Administrators Meeting and requested direction on a number of items which appear to be "policy".

The Directors took the opportunity to express their opinions on all agenda items and advised how they wanted MNSW to answer the issues.

B02.3.7 MA Road Riders Division - The CEO tabled correspondence from MA regarding the MA Road Riders Steering Committee recommendations.

MNSW does not support the majority of the proposal and in particular the move towards MA issuing licenses and permits and up-grading rider division membership to competition license holders.

Out of the 24 Agenda items 18 were not acceptable to the MNSW Directors.

The Board is most concerned with the direction MA is taking and their reluctance to listen to MNSW and other SCB's. It appears to MNSW that the MA Directors are steering the company down the wrong path.

After further discussion on the failure of MA to finalise a number of matters such as the track standards and seminar presenter's material, the following was moved:

MOTION #14 The CEO is directed to investigate alternative insurance policies for NSW events and furthermore look for Directors and Officers insurance for both MNSW and Member Clubs.

Carried

It was suggested a good place to start may be the Australian Auto Sports Alliance for advice or to work with them as they already have public liability insurance which covers motorcycle activities and is recognised by the NSW Department of Tourism, Sport & Recreation.

B02.3.8 Correspondence from Holbrook Motorcycle Sports Club - A letter from Holbrook Motorcycle Sports Club regarding official's seminars was received.

The Board did not agree with all the comments expressed by the club however the Board did agree the seminar system is "broken" and needs to be "fixed". That is the reason why the Official Presenter and Committee Workshop was staged back in September 2005. Most SCB's and certainly MNSW have advised Motorcycling Australia that the system needs to be upgraded and updated urgently. Despite this being requested repeatedly, MA has failed to produce upgrades to the seminar classroom material therefore the MNSW Board have no alternative but to commission the upgrading to be carried out by MNSW.

A second workshop is to be held with a number of the Seminar Presenters and Board Members to formulate a procedure for officials to gain higher accreditation and instigate new seminar material.

Motion #15 That a meeting between the MNSW Board and 5 of the Seminar Presenters to be convened on 1st April 2006 to develop new seminar presentation material and upgrade criteria to be adopted in NSW.

Carried

B02.3.9 Speedway Sports Committees - A copy of the committee minutes for December 2005 and January 2006 were distributed and discussed.

The Board discussed the matter of the NSW Championship nomination form being sent to all licensed competitors via the newsletter. The Board agreed to this method being used and also encourage the MNSW newsletter and website be used more as an acceptable form of distributing information where ever possible.

The Board will not be explaining their actions to the Sports Committees regarding the increase of junior rider levies which are now more equitable between junior and senior competitors.

The Board has a responsibility to ensure the company is viable and set fees to ensure the company is trading profitably. The Board is extremely conscious of costs and ensure there are minimum increases to competitors.

B02.3.10 Blacktown City Council - The Chairperson read out correspondence from Blacktown City Council regarding the need to produce a feasibility study of the proposed Motor Sport Parklands and their request for MNS W to contribute to the production of the study.

The Board discussed the request and agreed that if MNSW is involved in the project then MNSW should contribute to the study and ultimate proposal.

Motion #16 That MNSW contribute \$4,500 to the Eastern Creek MX and Quad feasibility study report that Blacktown City Council have commissioned.

Carried

B02.3.6 WSID Grass Track - H Conlon advised the Directors he had held discussions with the Drag Way Promoter who advised he was interested in allowing motorcyclists to build a Grass Track facility at the raceway.

Meeting closed at 1.00am