



**MOTORCYCLING NSW LIMITED
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
HELD AT 67 HIGH STREET, HARRIS PARK
ON THURSDAY 18th June 2009**

PRESENT: Christine TICKNER Chairperson
Dave MORGAN
Jan BLIZZARD
Ian PACKER
Peter DOW

APOLOGIES: Nil

IN ATTENDANCE: Daniel Gatt General Manager
Kerrie Mulyk Office Manager

Meeting Opened: 3.10 pm

The Chairperson welcomed all to the meeting. She welcomed Mr Peter Dow to the meeting and congratulated on attaining the Vice President position at the recent elections. She continued by congratulating Dave Morgan and Ian Packer for being re-elected as Directors.

The Chairperson took the opportunity to remind all present of the importance of respecting the confidentiality of the Board. It was noted that several breaches of this confidentiality had presented itself in recent weeks and that it was vitally important that the integrity of the Board meetings be maintained.

B6.1 Minutes of the Directors Meeting held 14th May 2009

MOTION #1 The Minutes of the Directors Meeting held on 14th May 2009 be received. Carried

(a) Corrections
Nil

MOTION #2 The Minutes of the Directors Meeting held 14th May 2009 are confirmed. Carried

(b) Matters arising
Nil

B6.2 The May 2009 Financial Report

MOTION #3 The MNSW Limited May 2009 Financial Report be received Carried

Matters arising
Nil

MOTION #4 The MNSW Limited April 2009 Financial Report be approved Carried

B6.2.1 Accounts Reconciliation

Further to a request from Director Jan Blizzard at the previous meeting that another director as well as the Chairperson should inspect the cheque register, Director Dave Morgan as well as the Chairperson inspected the Cheque Register for May 2009 and they both advised the report was satisfactory.

MOTION #5 that the Cheque Register for May 2009 of \$246094.69 be approved.

Carried

B6.3 General Business

B6.3.1 Private Correspondence – A letter was received from a parent of four riders who expressed his concern with the rising costs of participating in this sport. The Directors read the correspondence and reinforced their desire to push through Motorcycling Australia a family discount on competition licences. The GM advised that he would put together a report indicating the effect on the financial position of the company if this policy was implemented without the support of MA.

B6.3.2 Coaching Committee – The GM informed the Directors of two resignations off the Coaching Committee. One member had moved interstate and the other due to overwhelming work commitments. The GM suggested that expressions of interest be called for people wanting to be part of the coaching committee with the Directors making a final decision on two people to fill the vacancies. Further, Director Dave Morgan suggested that MNSW host a coaches forum to discuss issues regarding coaching and the coaching program. The Directors agreed this was a valid suggestion and asked the GM to organise such a forum for late July early August.

B6.3.3 Venue Inspectors meeting – The Office Manager gave a report to the Directors on the recent track inspectors meeting held at Parramatta. The meeting was well attended and in her opinion extremely worthwhile. The Directors discussed the possibility of hiring a dedicated staff member to assist in track licensing and to learn the skills necessary to inspect venues as our current group of track inspectors have been doing the job for many years and would soon look to retiring. The GM offered to present a job description to the Directors.

B6.3.4 Road Race Dispensation – The Directors were asked to endorse a request for a 14-year-old rider to compete in the Australian Superbike Championships at Eastern Creek. Any dispensation would need to be granted by NSW Sport and Recreation with the endorsement of MNSW. Further, the circuit operator would also need to be willing to alter the track licence if the dispensation was granted. After a long discussion, it was determined by the Directors that they would not be willing to endorse the application for dispensation. The GM is instructed to write to the parents of the applicant and inform him of their decision.

B6.3.5 Bylaw Changes Dirt Track – The Dirt Track Sports committee submitted two requests for Bylaw changes. For submission 3.0, the directors approved the change. For submission 4.1.1 the Directors did not approve the change as the wording facilitates the committees request without requiring a change.

MOTION #6 that the proposed change to the Dirt Track Bylaws 3.0 be approved. Proposal 4.1.1 is not approved.

Carried

B6.3.6 Correspondence – Susan Tricker – Correspondence was received from Mrs Susan Tricker noting her concern with female participation in motocross. The Directors noted the correspondence and discussed it at length The Directors instructed the GM to respond to Mrs Tricker.

B6.3.7 Bylaw Changes Motocross – The Motocross Sports committee submitted two requests for Bylaw changes. For submission 4.1 and 2b, the directors approved the change.

MOTION #7 that the proposed changes to the Motocross Bylaws 4.1 and 2b be approved.

Carried

B6.3.8 Interest Free Loan – Lower Mountains Motorcycle Club submitted documentation requesting an interest free loan. After consideration, the Directors agreed to issue Lower Mountains with the loan in accordance with the Loan Policy of Motorcycling NSW Limited.

MOTION #8 that the application submitted by Lower Mountains Motorcycle Club for an interest free loan is approved.

Carried

B6.3.9 Club Infrastructure Grant – Ku-Ring-Gai Mini wheels Club – An application was received from Ku-Ring-Gai Mini wheels club for a club Infrastructure Grant to assist the purchase of a compactor roller. The Directors refused the grant as the item does not fit the criteria of infrastructure and is more plant to which the grant does not apply. The club may make application for an interest free loan for such a purchase if they wish.

MOTION #9 that the application from Ku-Ring-Gai Mini wheels club for a club infrastructure grant be approved

Lost

B6.3.10 Correspondence – Australian Moto Events – A thank you notice was presented to the Board from Australian Moto Events who MNSW had assisted in their plans to promote a motorcycle road race around Centennial Park. Although the City of Sydney consenting authorities were not receptive to the proposal and eventually rejected their application, they thanked the MNSW Directors and Mr Tim Sanford for their assistance. Australian Moto Events now plans to conduct the meeting in another state.

B6.3.11 MNSW Website – the GM presented an indicative image of the new MNSW website for the Boards information. The Directors were very impressed with the website and look forward to it becoming “live” shortly.

The meeting adjourned at 6.10pm to invite Mr Andrew Brigden and Mr Russell McGuirk representing the Baulkham Hills Junior Training Minibike Club to join the meeting and discuss issues relating to Minikhana. The meeting recommenced at 6.50pm.

B6.3.12 Proposal CSM Consultants – A proposal was presented to the Directors from a consulting and lobbying company, who would assist MNSW securing land for its proposed construction of facilities. The proposal was very thorough and in depth, however the Directors were not willing to commit the proposed \$250,000 fee without a guaranteed result. The GM is instructed to inform the proposers of the Board’s decision and determine if they would be interested in entering a performance-based agreement with the same goals.

MOTION #10 that the application from CSM be approved

Lost

B6.3.13 Proposal Kentnear International – A proposal was presented to the Directors from Kentnear international as a consulting and lobbying company, who are working at developing a second circuit at Mount Panorama, Bathurst for Road Racing. The Directors discussed the proposal and request for financial assistance. A long discussion ensued and it was decided that further information would be sought from the proposer before a decision will be made. The GM is instructed to notify Kentnear International and request the information required.

B6.3.14 Correspondence – Moto Trials Committee – The Directors were presented with correspondence from Mr Bill Guthrie on behalf of the Moto Trials Committee. Although the correspondence was sent directly to the Chairperson of the meeting, it was still presented to the Directors when usual practice is any correspondence for the Directors must go through the office. The Directors discussed the submission and noted many inaccuracies and untruths in Mr Guthrie's understanding of the matters raised. Further, the Directors are of the opinion that the correspondence was written in a manner that could be deemed confrontational, however gave Mr Guthrie the benefit of the doubt and would discuss the issues raised further with the Moto-Trials committee at the upcoming Sports Committee Forum to determine the best course of action.

B6.3.15 Road Race Administrator – Owing to the Road Race committee receiving insufficient nominations to form a committee, the MNSW Directors are required to appoint an Administrator. The Directors discussed a number of candidates one being Mr Dave Morgan (Director). After a discussion, it was agreed that Mr Morgan would be appointed the Road Race Administrator.

MOTION #11 that Mr Dave Morgan be appointed the road race administrator

Carried

B6.4 From the Board

B6.4.1 Supermoto Club Affiliation – The GM confirmed that the appropriate paperwork had been submitted for the Supermoto Club to seek affiliation with the organisation. The Directors confirmed that information supplied was correct as per the procedure and the application should be forwarded to the delegates meeting for consideration.

B6.4.2 Arbitration and Disciplinary (A&D) Tribunal – The Directors were presented with the findings of two recently conducted A&D Tribunal hearings. The Directors discussed the hearings at length and were disappointed by the result of one but satisfied with the other. They did however accept the A&Ds findings. Discussion took place regarding the Directors concern about the insufficient number of members that MNSW have appointed to the A&D. Following this discussion, it was resolved that MNSW would call for expressions of interest from individuals wishing to be part of the tribunal. The Directors will then select from the submissions received.

B6.5 From the President

B6.5.1 MA AGM Update – The President updated the meeting on the happenings at the 2009 MA AGM. She informed the meeting that the MA CEO, MR David White had been re-appointed in the role for a further five years by the Motorcycling Australia Board of Directors. She also confirmed that Mr Lyal Allen and Mr Steve Foody were both re-elected to the MA Board.

B6.5.2 MA Commission Minutes – The President reminded all the Directors that the MA Commission minutes had been released and at the next meeting, MNSW would be required to submit their response after considering the comments from the respective MNSW Sports Committees.

With no further business the meeting was closed at 9.15pm