

Minutes of the Yachting Queensland General Meeting Held at Keppel Bay Sailing Club, Queensland 24th September 2015

Present:

Current Board

Ken Hurling Director (President)

Lyn Hanlon Director

Matthew Johnson Director

Daniel Self Youth Advisor

Clubs

Tim McCall Capricornia Cruising Yacht Club

Denis Cook
Graham Hatrick
Maroochy Sailing Club
John Ibell
Rob Auty
Port Curtis Sailing Club
Murray Whitehead
Townsville Yacht Club
Tracey Wilson
Mission Beach Sailing Club

Classes

Robbie Lea South Queensland Sabot Association
Cameron Brew South Queensland Sabot Association

Yachting Queensland Staff

Executive Officer Ben Callard

Participation & Events Officer Jaime-Lee Thomasson

Apologies

Mick Phillips YQ Director

David Thomson YQ Director (Treasurer)

Mark Gallagher Director
Greg Clarke Director

Scott Davis Director (North Queensland Representative)
Peter Yeomans Director (South Queensland Representative)

Meeting Open: 6:15pm

- 1. President Opens the meeting, welcomes all and introduces YQ Board Representatives.
- 2. Attendances and apologies recorded.
- 3. Minutes of Previous Meeting 19th July 2015
 - a. Moved that the minutes be accepted as presented.

Moved: Tim McCall Seconded: Matthew Johnson (YQ Director)

- b. Items arising from the minutes
 - a. Nil
- 4. **Financial Report** YQ EO provided a verbal report noting the organisation was ahead of budget and had good control on expenditure.

Moved: Ken Hurling (YQ Director) Seconded: Denis Cook
All in Favour

- 5. One Sailing
 - a. YQ EO provided an overview of the status of One Sailing.
 - b. YQ President expressed that no Constitutional changes will be made without State Members Voting, not required for operational changes.
 - c. YQ EO discussed the value proposition as stated in One Sailing: The Case for Change and shared information from his attendance at a recent workshop with several other State Sporting Organisations, the State Government Sport and Recreation Department and QSPORT where a recent Australian Sports Commission Governance Reform Paper was discussed. This lead the conversation into the requirement for transparency and trust.
 - d. Tim McCall expressed that the new YA CEO has started to change the culture, he brings credibility of doing good things in other sports and is a good change for the organisation.
- 6. **Participation Numbers and Calculation** YQ EO provided back ground information on a new initiative of YA and the State Associations which is to conduct a National Participation Census. It is a good thing for the sport nationally and will help with securing and justifying Government and corporate investment.
- 7. **Queensland Yachting Awards** YQ EO provided an overview of the 2015 Queensland Yachting Awards and the winners. Stating a record number of nominations were received and encouraging everyone to think of someone to nominate for the 2016 awards.
- 8. **Key YQ Dates** YQ EO provided an overview of key dates for the remainder of 2015.
 - a. YQ AGM 27th October 2015 at YQ Office Manly.
 - b. YQ General Meeting 27th October immediately following YQ AGM.

9. General Business -

- a. Tracey Wilson communicated to the group that Mission Beach Sailing Club will again be hosting their annual regattas on the 24th and 25th October 2015.
- b. Murray Whitehead raised the costs for participating in regattas is increasing and becoming quite expensive. Raised concern around a few big Queensland Youth regattas and asked if the increase in costs will eventually reduce participation and become a barrier to new participants. Stating that this type of barrier is exactly what the GEMBA report raised and urged sailing to overcome.
 - Denis Cook who is treasurer of Keppel Bay Sailing Club explained that costs for the Youth events being held at the club only cover real costs specific to the event, it does not include any staff time, extra infrastructure etc.
 - ii. Discussion on finding funding for events from Government/Sponsorship, capitalising on the community, social, health benefits of sport along with the development opportunities for sailors and clubs. It was agreed that the topic of the Participation Census could help attract funding and that the One Sailing synergy could help reduce costs to events nationally and could look at attracting sponsors who could reduce the costs to participants such as a fuel sponsor.
- c. YQ EO introduced Jaime-Lee Thomasson as a new employee of Yachting Queensland who will have a focus on Participation.
- d. YQ EO Encouraged all clubs to participate in the National Discover Sailing Day on the 25th October 2015 explaining there are plenty of free resources available on the YA website and that upon a club registering to deliver activities on the day they will receive a promotional pack from YA.
- 10. Closure President thanked all for their attendance and declared the meeting closed.

Closed: 7:15pm

These minutes, prepared within one month of the meeting as required by s.251A(1) of the Corporations Act were signed on 2015 by the Chairman of the meeting pursuant to s.251A(2)(b) of the Corporations Act.

President Ken Hurling