



**MOTORCYCLING NSW LIMITED
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
HELD AT 9 PARKES STREET, HARRIS PARK
ON THURSDAY 15th April 2010**

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

IN ATTENDANCE: Daniel Gatt General Manager

Meeting Opened: 6.20 pm

The Chairperson welcomed all to the meeting.

B4.1 Minutes of the Directors Financial Report Meeting held 18th March 2010

MOTION #1 The Minutes of the Directors Financial Report Meeting held on 18th March 2010 be received.

Carried

(a) Corrections - Nil

MOTION #2 The Minutes of the Directors Financial Report Meeting held 18th March 2010 are confirmed.

Carried

(a) Matters arising - Nil

B4.1.1 Minutes of the Directors Meeting held 18th March 2010

MOTION #3 The Minutes of the Directors Meeting held on 18th March 2010 be received.

Carried

(a) Corrections - Nil

MOTION #4 The Minutes of the Directors Meeting held 18th March 2010 are confirmed.

Carried

B4.1.1 – Director Peter Dow asked if there was any feedback from the medical providers that the draft medical standards document was distributed. The GM informed those present that a number of points have been raised which were being addressed. He continued that he hoped to have it distributed to clubs with the new track licences.

B4.2 The March 2010 Financial Report

MOTION #5 The MNSW Limited March 2010 Financial Report be received

Carried

As per the request from the Chairperson, the GM gave an explanation the expense items that were listed under sundry expenses. The Directors approved those expenses.

MOTION #6 The MNSW Limited March 2010 Financial Report be approved

Carried

B4.2.1 Accounts Reconciliation

The Chairperson as well as Director Dave Morgan inspected the Cheque Register for March 2010 and they both advised the report was satisfactory in their opinions.

MOTION #7 that the Cheque Register for February 2010 of \$469804.20 be approved.

Carried

B4.3 General Business

B4.3.1 MNSW Enduro Sports Committee Correspondence – The MNSW Enduro Sports Committee requested the Directors consider purchasing an enclosed trailer for the timing equipment. A similar trailer is used in Victoria and is quite successful, the committee provided photographs, which were discussed. The Directors instructed the GM to work with the committee to investigate the trailer further and report back, however in principal, they were supportive of the proposal.

B4.3.2 MNSW Enduro Sports Committee request – The MNSW Enduro Sports Committee request that the Board provide the funding for two containers to be used at the A4DE as they do each year. The GM confirmed that he had approved this payment in line with the Directors usual practice.

B4.3.3 Correspondence – Mr Dave Smith – The Directors were presented with an email from Mr Dave Smith of the Central Coast Juniors MCC regarding the club hosting the Dirt Track Come 'n' Try day for Minikhana riders and thanking the Board for their support. The Board appreciated Mr Smith's kind words. The GM took the opportunity to vent his frustrations at the Minikhana clubs and committee for failing to support this initiative for their riders. Central Coast Juniors provided the facility and the officials to put this meeting on for all Minikhana riders to experience Dirt Track at no charge to the rider with the club absorbing all costs. The Minikhana community failed to support the meeting running their own events on the same day, thus only 35 riders attended.

B4.3.4 MNSW Enduro Sports Committee minutes – The MNSW Enduro Sports Committee minutes were read by the Directors and noted. The Committee wished to formally object to the new MA licence format. The Directors agreed that the format was less than ideal and causing many headaches to officials. The GM noted that he had included the matter on the Agenda for the State Managers meeting, which is to be held in two weeks in Melbourne. He will report to the Directors with the outcome.

B4.3.5 Correspondence – Mr John Langfield – Mr John Langfield wrote the Directors via the office in regards to coaching and his concern that any level 1 or higher coach is allowed to coach motorcyclists under the National Coaching Accreditation Scheme (NCAS). This allows coaches who are not knowledgeable in motorcycle coaches (netball or football coaches were used as an example) to coach riders and that it was acceptable for this to occur. The GM noted that technically Mr Langfield was correct as the NCAS as developed by the AIS only acknowledges coaches not their discipline. The GM continued that he personally agreed with Mr Langfields position but noted that coaches did not necessarily need motorcycle experience to teach things such as fitness, nutrition or mental preparation. He continued that for a coach to sign off on the 5 hour compulsory coaching that they had to apply for an MA coaching permit, which to-date has not been issued to any person not associated with MNSW or motorcycles. The Directors considered all points and decided that they would not submit an application to get the matter considered for change until the current coaching review is complete and will reassess at that time.

B4.3.6 Consultancy invoice for payment – The Directors were informed that MNSW had received an invoice from the companies hired consultants and the GM requested that the Directors authorise the invoice be paid.

B4.3.7 Rule Amendments – On behalf of several MNSW Sports committees and with the endorsement of the MNSW Directors, the GM submitted several suggested rule changes for consideration into the 2011 Manual of Motorcycle Sports. These were presented for information only. The Directors noted that only the Classic Dirt Sports and the Dirt Track Committee had submitted proposals and were disappointed that the other committees had not taken the opportunity to do like wise considering the amount of complaints made by several committees regarding the current rules.

B4.3.8 Rule Amendments rationale – The Chairperson of the MNSW Classic Sports Committee has requested that the MNSW Directors provide the committee a rationale for not supporting one of the committees' nine rule recommendations. The Directors considered this was a fair request and instructed the GM to ensure the committee is presented with the appropriate rationale. It should be noted that the rationale is to be provided for information of the committee and not for the committees position on the rationale beginning an ongoing debate.

B4.3.9 By Law Request – The MNSW Speedway Committee submitted a request for a change to the required officials to conduct a club speedway meeting. The Directors read the submission but decided against the submission. The GM is instructed to inform the committee.

MOTION #8 that the speedway Bylaw submission regarding the level of officials needed to conduct a speedway club meeting is approved.

Lost

B4.3.10 Dirt Track Sports Committee Minutes – The MNSW Dirt Track Sports committee minutes were presented for the Directors information. The Directors read the minutes and noted their contents. The Directors were very disappointed that a certain member of the committee is constantly referred to as uncontactable. The GM is instructed to contact both parties and see if a resolution on availability or contact details can be sought.

B4.3.11 Vests and Flags – The GM presented written quotations and samples for the proposed purchase of flags and vests for all clubs. The Directors were very pleased with the prices and the quality of the items and gave in principal approval subject to final quotations and amounts being confirmed. The GM noted he was awaiting another quotation, which he believes will be more competitive, but will commence organising required quantities and distribution methods.

B4.4 From the Chairperson

B4.4.1 MA Council Meeting – The President, Mrs Christine Tickner, gave a report about the recent MA Council meeting. She noted the coaching programme review was complete and some changes are being made that she and the Directors both agreed would be advantageous to all parties including the riders. She also noted that several Directors positions on the MA Board are expiring and those nominations are currently being called.

B4.4.2 Proposed Bathurst Development – Chairperson, Mrs Christine Tickner, read a letter she had received from the Honourable Ian MacDonald outlining that a feasibility study had been commissioned by the State Government and that MNSW would be included in all information that is released. Further the letter provided a contact name and number for the person heading the group charged with conducting the feasibility study whom can be contacted for further information.

B4.4.3 Minikhana Complex – Director Ian Packer requested further information on the proposed Minikhana complex. The GM informed the Directors that the hold up was with the RTA who has insisted on road works being conducted before they will approve the Development application. The proposed road works are estimated at \$100,000 and will take 12-18 months to complete before the DA will be approved. The GM indicated that he and the President are working on other avenues that may reduce the cost of the works or the timeframe to complete.

B4.4.4 Medical Clearances – Director Peter Dow noted that there are certain names upon the medical clearance list whose licences are expired and would be very unlikely to reapply. The GM explained that those riders who are on the list and have a senior licence are eligible to obtain a Single Use Licence, hence the reason they remain on the list. The GM confirmed that the list would be fleeced after about three years.

Director Jan Blizzard noted that she as race secretary for St George MCC is no longer receiving the list via email and requested to know why it stopped. The Director was informed that all clubs who request it are included on the weekly email list, but many clubs email bounces back to the sender owing to reasons such as the email address has changed, the spam filter rejects it or the file is too large. The GM encouraged all clubs to ensure that they provide an office with a current email address to receive the list every Friday afternoon.

With no further business the meeting was closed at 11.00pm
