

## N.S.W. Union of Rowers Inc. Minutes of the 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 held at Sydney Rowing Club.

**1. Present:** John Johnson (Chair), Dr. Philip Sharp Z, Anthony Brown, James Johnson Z, David Clark , Barry Moynahan, Brian Guthrie, Phillip Titterton, Neil Holmes Z & Terry Maher. Z = attended by Zoom Conferencing.

**Apologies:** Brabara Ramjan & Dr Eric Carter.

**2. Opening:** The Chairman welcomed Executive members and opened the meeting at 6.00pm.

**3. Obituaries:** One minute's silence was observed in respect for the passing of Victor Schweikert (LRC), Kevin Hollingworth (HRC, LRC, SRC).

**4. Adoption of the Minutes:** Moved D. Clark that the minutes of the 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2023 be adopted as a true and accurate record. Seconded by B. Moynahan and *Carried*.

**5. Business Arising from the Minutes:**

All items to be covered in the meeting agenda.

**6. Correspondence**

*Inward*

- a. B Moynahan/J. Johnson/R. Batt/S Cook/L. Redell                      Louis Petrin Collection Transfer

*Outward*

- a. 2x Emails to all members                      Request subscriptions to Scholarship Club  
 b. Clubs, Schools, Coaches & Executive                      Call for Applications 2024 Youth Scholarships  
 c. Rowing Australia                      Re Louis Petrin International Rowing Collection  
 d. Executive                      Meeting Agenda and supporting documentation.  
 e. Geoff Brown OAM                      Regarding position of Honorary Auditor.

Moved A. Brown seconded B. Guthrie that the list of recipients be approved with the addition of A. Brown, J. Johnson & S. Handley & deletion of A. Delaney. *Carried*.

**7. Financial Report**

### NSW UNION OF ROWERS INC FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 29 FEBRUARY 2024

DATE	ITEM	AMOUNT
	<b>Bank Account CBA 062169 00801400</b>	
<b>01-Jul-23</b>	<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>16,892.63</b>
	<b>+ Deposits</b>	
	Scholarship tickets	2,950.00
	Scholarships	1,000.00
	Membership	240.00
	Donation ASF	2,072.49
	Interest	900.00
	<b>Total Deposits</b>	<b>7,162.49</b>
	<b>- Payments and Transfers</b>	
	Affiliation fees	198.00
	Bank Fees	5.23
	<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>203.23</b>
<b>29-Feb-24</b>	<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>\$ 23,851.89</b>
	<b>Term Deposit</b> CBA @ 4.25 % Matures 8/7/24	40,000.00
		<b>\$ 40,000.00</b>
	<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$ 63,851.89</b>

The Treasurer gave a precis of his report.

The Treasurer was asked to list receipts from the ASF separately from Donations.

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Adoption of the Treasurer's Report was moved by A. Brown, seconded by P. Titterton and *CARRIED*.

Moved B. Guthrie, Seconded D. Clark that Geoff Brown OAM be appointed Honorary Auditor of the NSW Union of Rowers. *Carried*.

Moved A. Brown, seconded P. Titterton that at the expiry of the Term Deposit an additional \$ 10,000 from funds be invested. *Carried*.

### **8. Sub-Committee Reports:**

#### **Archives**

The President gave a detailed report on the transfer of the Louis Petrin Collection to Rowing Australia advising that:

- a. A legal document drawn up by Sean Simpson (9 pages) had been formalised between RA and Lorraine Reddel whereby ownership remains with the family of the entire collection.
- b. Ron Batt had transferred the collection to the RA Offices.
- c. A valuable trophy would be recommissioned to the Australian Champion Women's double Scull; Lorraine Reddel to present the trophy.
- d. Recognition of the Union's efforts in relocation of the Petrin Collection was given at the King's & Queen's Cup Dinner.
- e. A State Rowing Suit signed by representatives of the 7 years consecutive King's Cup winning crews was also presented to RNSW at the +dinner on 5/5/24.
- f. Significant items would be displayed at the Australian Championships at SIRC in a secure show case.
- g. Louis' investment, hard work, memory will live on.

It was reported that the records stored at Leichhardt R.C. had been removed with the exception of a box of RNSW Annual Reports which had to be located.

Relocation of the collection's Cotton Ergometer was discussed.

#### **Constitution Review**

In the absence of a report from Liam James the President was asked contact him and obtain an update and draft for the Committees consideration. The current constitution does not comply with legislation requirements.

#### **Fund Raising**

The Secretary reported that \$ 4,650 in ticket sales had been received for the Scholarship Club reminding members that \$ 7,000 was required to cover the prize and likely scholarship expenditures.

Donations through the ASF were continuing with Dr Peter Kim being our major benefactor. It was noted that ASF donations were tax deductible however a 5% surcharge is applied.

#### **Newsletter & Website**

List of current Scholarship Club subscribers and Australian Sports Foundation donors is available on the website. Results of the State Championships and major regattas have or will be posted as they become available. The call for Youth Scholarships Nominations and application forms had been posted closing 26/4/24. P. Titterton proposed a list of executive members to promote the Scholarships to individual clubs and schools. It was reported that all schools and a number of coaches had been emailed. Country clubs need to be contacted.

#### **Recruitment**

No new members applications. Geoff McIntyre's approaches had not delivered a response. The Unions profile and credibility in the rowing community was discussed. The chairman reported that further promotion through the RNSW website will be forthcoming.

#### **Social & Excursions**

Nothing to Report.

### **10. General Business:**

B. Moynahan suggested compiling a list of country club histories and undertook to review their websites for the information.

The date for the next meeting was tentatively set for Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> April at Sydney Rowing Club at 6.00pm.

There being no further business the President closed the meeting at 6.58pm.

Approved .....Chairman /2024.