

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS (BOD) MEETING
Held at the LAQ Office, QSAC
On Tuesday 9th June 2020

1. OPENING

In opening the meeting at 6.08pm, the President welcomed everyone in attendance.

ATTENDANCE

Board of Directors

Donna Smith	President	Paul Langton	Vice President
Gary Morrisby	Finance Director	Brad Jones	General Director
Val Hooper	General Director	Tony Frampton	General Director
Simon Hinton	General Director		

Staff

Simon Cook	Chief Executive Officer (CEO)	Shannon Kruger	Operations Manager (OM)
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2. APOLOGIES

Nil

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by P Langton - seconded by V Hooper - all in favour

That the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting held on 26th May be accepted as a true record.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

5. CORRESPONDENCE (pre-circulated)

Nil

Moved by B Jones - seconded by S Hinton - all in favour

That the inward correspondence be accepted and the outward correspondence be endorsed.

6. ITEMS FOR RATIFICATION

6.1 May 2020 Accounts

To 31st May 2020. The Profit and Loss report for May and Payments Listings totalling \$170,255.60 for March, \$83,213 for April and \$95,739.03 for May were presented for ratification.

Moved by G Morrisby - seconded by B Jones - all in favour

That the Financial Report for May and Payments Listings for March, April and May be accepted.

ITEMS FOR RESOLUTION / DISCUSSION

6.2 Winter Season Update

Our Membership Services Officer (Ngairé Hollands) has been in contact with almost all of our Winter Centres to ascertain how they are all coping under the current conditions and to find out what their plans are going forward for the remainder of this season.

An update on each Winter Centre was presented to the Board. Feedback so far is very positive with most Centres looking to commence their season under Stage 3 restrictions. The only Centres that have not returned calls or emails are Cairns, Chinchilla, Gracemere, Mitchell & District, Mulgrave, Ravenshoe, Texas and Wulguru. Ngairé will continue to contact these Centres.

6.3 2021 ALAC Changes

Little Athletics Australia have made significant changes to the structure of ALAC's for 2021. This includes an additional 28 athletes (with up to 14 of these being Multi Class) and the competition being held in Melbourne for at least the next three years.

Board expressed its disappointment at the timing of the proposal, particularly after COVID and the cancellation of the 2020 competition, and that no States were consulted in the decision. President and Operations Manager have both sent emails with concerns and questions.

6.4 LAA Hall of Fame and Official of the Year Nominations

Nominations for the above awards is due 17th July. Board agreed to nominate Ros McAlister in the Volunteer category. The Officials Committee will be consulted about the Official of the Year.

6.5 Strategic Plan - Final Draft for Ratification

The final draft of LAQ's Strategic Plan was submitted for review. Any final comments are to be emailed to the CEO so it can be presented for ratification at the July Board meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

6.6 Competition Committee

No meeting has been held.

6.7 Officials Committee

No meeting has been held.

CEO REPORT

6.8 CEO Report

CEO presented a written report.

LAA have advertised for an Inclusion Programs Manager. They've added another 28 athletes to the ALAC's for next year which includes up to 14 Multi Class athletes. There has been no consultation about this at all.

McDonald's are assessing all their sponsorship given the downturn in sales with COVID.

The LAQ Office has been working out of QSAC rent free since mid-march. It is being reviewed at the end of June.

Have been having weekly Zoom meetings with the State Government and QSport to discuss COVID response strategies. Although sport lagged behind the general community initially, they now have received approval to train in groups of 20 in a zone in one facility. We've sent out updated guidelines to Centres for this. No additional details have been released as yet for Stage 3.

All staff are back to working 2 days a week. They will be back to full time in early July in line with Stage 3 restrictions.

OM REPORT

6.8 OM Report

OM presented a verbal report.

An update was given on all Winter Centres as listed above.

The LAQ Backyard Series videos on Facebook have been very well received. OM to speak to the DO's about the continuation of these videos.

The 2021 NZ Tour is being planned as normal. More information will be provided at the next Board meeting.

LAA National U15 Camp will be held in Canberra in October. 15 LAQ athletes were selected in the first round of offers. We are waiting to hear if more athletes will be selected in future rounds.

We have 1,448 followers on Instagram and 8,071 Likes on Facebook.

6.9 Registration & Centre Report

No registration report presented as the Winter Season has not started yet.

GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 Vale Karen Wolfenden

The Board acknowledges the recent passing of LAQ Life Member, Karen Wolfenden. Karen was a founding member of Caboolture LAC and had been involved at all levels of the Centre for 30 years. She was vital member of the LAQ Board for eight years, including three as Vice President. Her passion, dedication and contribution to the Association has been invaluable and she will be sadly missed.

A memorial will be held for Karen post COVID restrictions. LAQ will advise all members once the details have been confirmed.

8. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

8.1 Next Board Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 14th July 2020 at the LAQ Office.

9. CLOSE MEETING

Meeting closed at 7.55pm.

SIGNED AS A TRUE RECORD

Tuesday 14th July 2020

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President, LAQ