## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING #2(2014/15)**



#### **MINUTES**

5:30 - 6:20PM Thursday 18 December 2014 Meeting conducted via Skype

Acting Chair: Phil Harper in Melbourne (PH)

**Directors:** Kathryn O'Brien in Brisbane (KOB), Darren Howell in Brisbane

(DH), Alex Jones in Sydney (AJ), Dean Barton-Smith in

Melbourne (DBS), Marnie Kerridge in Melbourne via SMS (MK),

Ricky Bryan in Canberra (RB).

In attendance: Garry West-Bail - General Manager in Brisbane (GWB),

Michelle Ashley in Melbourne (Auslan Interpreter).

Note: Board meeting was conducted via Skype premium.

## 1. Open and Apologies

The Chair welcomed everybody especially the new Members Alex Jones and Dean Barton-Smith and noted that all Board Members were in attendance. It was noted this meeting has been organised primarily to discuss and confirm the President and Vice-President appointments and any other urgent matters. Unfortunately the sound connection between some Board member/s Skype connection did not work and therefore communication was writing via the Skype's chat service as well as SMS with MK.

# 2. Confirmation of Previous Board Meeting Minutes 28 November and 30 November 2014

Resolved - that the Board Minutes of the 28/11/2014 and 30/11/14 be carried over to the next meeting.

# 2.1. Action Items from the Previous Board Meeting

Items are noted under the designated portfolios.

## 3. Portfolio/Committee Report

#### 3.1 Membership Report

#### 3.1.1 Membership Structure Update

Carried Forward.

# 3.1.2 NSW Deaf Sports Committee

Carried forward.

3.1.3 NT Deaf Sports Committee

Carried Forward.

# 1.2. National Sport

#### 1.1.1. 2016 Australian Deaf Games

Carried Forward.

# 1.3. Marketing & Communication Report

Carried Forward.

## 3.4 Legal, Planning and Policies Report

# 3.4.1 Appointments Committee

Carried Forward.

# 3.4.2 New Board Member Induction

Resolved - that it was noted the induction process has commenced.

3.4.3 Life Membership

Carried Forward.

# 3.5 Risks and Audit Report

3.5.1 Finance Reports for the period ended 30 November 2014

Carried Forward.

# 3.6 International Sport

Carried Forward.

# 4.0 Active Deaf Kids Program

Carried Forward.

# 5.0 General Manager's Report

Carried Forward

## 6.0 Committee Terms of References (TOR)

Carried Forward.

## 7.0 Action Items for Next Meeting

Carried Forward

#### 8.0 General Business

### 8.1 Appointment of President

The acting Chair stood aside and invited GWB to seek nominations for the role.

Nominations were called for with the following outcome:

AJ nominated and DH seconded PH as President. PH accepted nomination.

Resolved - that the Board of Directors unanimously endorsed and appointed PH as President up until the 2015 AGM.

PH thanked the Board for electing him and looks forward to working with the team in this capacity.

## 8.2 Appointment of Vice President

PH resumed chairing the meeting and requested nominations for the role:

AJ nominated and RB seconded KOB as Vice President

Before the Board deliberated on and voted on the Vice President appointment, KOB accepted the nomination and provided a current and possible future list of her other Board roles.

MK nominated DBS but DBS declined the nomination.

Resolved - that the Board of Directors unanimously endorsed KOB as Vice President up until the 2015 AGM.

PH congratulated KOB on her election and looked forward to working with her in these new roles.

# 8.3 ASADA Anti - Doping Policy

PH asked if everyone was happy to make a decision on the policy checking that everyone had time to read it. All were happy to proceed.

Resolved - that the Board agrees to adopt the new ASADA Anti - Doping Policy that is effective from 1 January 2015.

- That this decision is based on the necessity that there be an Auslan version or explanation provided via video with such content being supplied and supported by ASADA
- That the ASADA policy must be an approved UNCRP document that allows accessibility to all as a matter of fairness and personal rights.
- Other matters raised by Board members to be followed up.

Moved: KOB Seconded: DH

#### 9.0 Four Top Outcomes from the Meeting

- Appointment of new President
- Appointment of New Vice President
- Approval of the new ASADA Anti Doping Policy
- First meeting for 2015 to be on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February

## 10.0 Next Meeting Dates

**Next Meeting Dates** 

PH briefly raised discussion on date for first 2015 meeting. Confirmed first meeting to be held in Melbourne on the same day as the M2005 Deaflympics 10th Anniversary celebration event,

- 7/02/15
- Further meetings to be finalized.

#### 11.0 Close

The meeting closed at 6.20PM noting that at this stage offline discussion will be on: follow up on anti-doping policy (if required) and confirmation of attendees at the meeting on the Feb 7<sup>th</sup> 2015. Such discussions will be confirmed in the next Board minutes. PH thanking the Board Members and interpreter for there work and wished everybody a happy and safe Festive season.

Future online meetings if required, are to be investigated to ensure quality connectivity.