



## MINUTES

Team Sydney Inc - Board Meeting - 24 October 2006 - 7:30pm

Meeting Venue: Level 2, 54 Oxford Street, Darlinghurst, NSW

<b>1</b>	<b>Attendance:</b>	
1.1	Present: Jon Baldan, G J Lee, John Donohoe, Mick Jansen, Geoffrey Radford, Dave Randall, Roger Patterson, Wayne Morgan, Warrick Chan.	
1.2	Introduction time - contact details	
1.3	<p>Declarations by directors - a declaration was signed by each director present with the following allegiances stated:</p> <p>JB - Sydney Spectres Basketball Club, WC - Freezone Volleyball Club, JD - Sydney Rams Tenpin Bowling League, MJ - Freezone Volleyball Club, GJL - Babes With Bats - Team Table Tennis - Table Tennis NSW, WM - Sydney Frontrunners - Athletics East Inc - Athletics NSW - Australian Track and Field Coaches Association - International Frontrunners - Federation of Gay Games (Observer and Coordinator), RP - Australian Sailing and Cruising Club, GR - Freelance Bowling League - International Gay Bowling Association - Federation of Gay Games (Volunteer), DR - Sydney Rams Tenpin Bowling League - International Gay Bowling Organisation - Sydney Star Observer.</p> <p>Remaining directors will be required to sign declarations at the first opportunity.</p>	
1.4	<b>Apologies:</b> Jeffrey So, Ian Wilby, Terri Duarte.	
<b>2</b>	<b>Invitation to Ian Wilby</b>	
	Agreed to invite Ian Wilby to fill a casual vacancy on the board and to serve as a director for approximately one year until the next AGM, acceptance pending invitation already received.	
<b>3</b>	<b>Election of Officers</b>	
3.1	Female co-president - no proposals - GR explained that TD has felt there is some opposition from some lesbian clubs because she is straight, meeting generally expressed appreciation of hard work TD has put in for all our members and wished to record the usefulness of TD's contacts especially in regard to New Mardi Gras - GJL expressed regret that her current personal situation would not allow her time or scope to properly fill the role - no election occurred.	
3.2	Male co-president - G J Lee proposed Geoffrey Radford, seconded Dave Randall - all agreed. No other proposals. GR expressed his feeling of honour at being elected, his desire to improve the attendance of women to the Sports Council and his hope that developments would make it possible for there to be a female co-president.	
3.3	Secretary - Geoffrey Radford proposed Dave Randall - all agreed. No other proposals.	
3.4	Treasurer - Geoffrey Radford proposed Dave Randall - all agreed. No other proposals.	
3.5	Registrar - Geoffrey Radford proposed Ian Wilby - all agreed, acceptance pending proposal already received. No other proposals.	
<b>4</b>	<b>Minutes of and matters arising from previous meetings held 10 and 14 October 2006</b>	<b>Minutes</b>
	Agreed minutes accepted - already approved for posting to website. Matters arising concern the raffle and SFR, both already on this agenda.	
<b>5</b>	<b>Minutes of and matters arising from Annual General Meeting held 14 October 2006</b>	<b>Minutes</b>
5.1	Approval sought to post AGM minutes to TS website - DR to post as 'Draft Minutes' to be presented for acceptance at next AGM.	
5.2	FGG. GR asked for agreement to renew. DR spoke in support of renewal, ways to interpret the defeat of the AGM motion to renew membership (flawed text in motion due to assumptions and the fact it was part of an attempt to take control of delegates from the board probably	<b>Paper</b>

	<p>influenced the vote) either as a mandate to not renew membership or as a mixed message. DR also cautioned that the future success of the Sports Council depends on the support of clubs, many of which have expressed a wish that Team Sydney confines its activities to local issues and events, board paper designed to minimise resistance from member clubs.</p> <p>JB opined the board should be able to make the decision about membership but should then not revisit it for another six months. GR and DR suggested forming a task force to deal with membership matters would keep long discussions out of board meetings. JB suggested such a TF should deal with all membership and affiliation matters, not just the FGG; all agreed. 8 out of 9 agreed to renew. <b>DR to make payment.</b></p> <p>Board paper from GR and DR accepted to some revisions to text. <b>Contents of paper to remain confidential until amended.</b></p> <p><b>ACTION: Revisions to board paper to be sent to DR. GR to circulate suggested wording for public announcement to be posted on news page of website after next board meeting unless agreed before.</b></p>	
5.3	<p>Auditing of accounts – DR happy to have audit done by any auditor acceptable to the board. <b>JB to ask family member for help.</b> JB asked for quarterly financial statement and that our ABN is properly displayed as required by law – <b>DR to check placement of ABN on documents and website.</b></p>	
<b>6</b>	<b>Current commitments</b>	
6.1	<p>Budgets – expenditure to be considered for the remainder of this financial year. Amount to spend on Sports Festival advertising and Fair Day was discussed. Ball park figures to be used as guides for task force activities: Fair Day \$2500, Advertising \$3000, sundries \$1000. No budget for Mardi Gras parade. Income expected from Raffle about \$1000. Other avenues on income should be explored such as sponsorship by City of Sydney and Dept of Sport and Recreation and consider liaising with ACON (as healthy lifestyle advocate) for shared funding.</p>	
6.2	<p>Sports Festival advertising – detail to be dealt with by task force – LOTL essential – <b>DR to lead task force.</b> Some suggested that adverts should have same look and feel as last year so they eventually become recognisable as TS’s style.</p>	<b>Paper</b>
6.3	<p>Fair Day – agreed task force required – <b>JB to lead task force</b> – to start by receiving all ideas.</p>	
6.4	<p>Actions initiated by Sports Council – Fair Day, Sports Festival, Boys’ club. GR explained structure of SC.</p>	
6.5	<p>Raffle – paper from previous meeting – <b>DR leads task force, GR and RP offered to join. JB to suggest text for letter to Jetstar.</b> Directors requested to provide leads for prizes at reduced prices, promotional space is available on website, posters and tickets. <b>TF to meet urgently</b> in order to meet ticket sellers’ deadlines; must have tickets for Bentstix summer party on 11 November.</p>	
6.6	<p>Task Forces – agreed TFs required for legal and administration (first task constitution and by-laws), affiliations.</p>	
<b>7</b>	<b>Opportunities and threats</b>	
	<p>SFR legal action. WM offered no comment on SFR’s position. JB suggested TS should suggest reconciliation process to SFR and there had been misunderstanding of communication on both sides. GR said next move must be SFR’s; DR agreed with GR partly because of motions put up for and action taken at AGM mainly by SFR members that, if successful, would have rendered TS dysfunctional. Agreed to leave pending – for discussion at next board meeting with hope that SFR will have communicated again by then.</p>	
<b>8</b>	<b>Meeting schedule</b>	
	<p>Sports Council and board meeting dates. SC first week of month, board week following. SC in first full weeks of November and December then late January. Board 14 Nov and 12 Dec. DR</p>	

	opined that January activity with SC members was usually communication with individual clubs following up for festival, Fair Day and advertising. Agreed 2nd Tuesday of each month usually convenient for directors.	
<b>9</b>	<b>Boys' Club</b>	<b>Verbal</b>
	How do we make Team Sydney more relevant and attractive to women and women's clubs? There are a lot of clubs listed in SSO that we do not engage with. RP suggested we meet with Lemons with a Twist - <b>Warrick Chan to take task force style lead and accept initial suggestions</b> - requires involvement of SC but getting delegates to SC is already a major task. GJL cited necessity for board to accept need for change, not necessary for woman to lead TF and a bloke should be prepared to approach women. MJ suggested we decide on plan and activities for board to become more acceptable to women, a culture change is required and we must change. GJL explained that past behaviour of male directors had offended women to the extent that some did not want to know us. GR expressed gratitude to Danielle Warby for opening the subject at SC.	
<b>10</b>	<b>Other Business</b>	
	WM stated that World Masters would occur in October 2009 and Team Sydney should encourage G&L involvement.	
<b>11</b>	<b>Meeting close: 10:30pm . Next meeting: 14 November 2006.</b>	