

## NEW SOUTH WALES NETBALL ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Saturday 8 March 2008 at Dooleys Club, John Street, Lidcombe

### Present

**Directors:** W. Archer AM, R. Watson, M. Murphy, J. Hahn, L. Quinn, R. Havrlant, C. Campbell (General Manager)

**Delegates:**

K McMahon (Armidale)	J. Gates (Armidale)
M. Leonard (Bankstown)	D. Howard (Bankstown)
K. Mellenbergh (Bathurst)	C. Murphy (Baulkham Hills)
C. Aird (Baulkham Hills)	S. Marks (Blacktown)
K. Booth (Blacktown)	D. Thrift (Blue Mountains)
E. Konza (Blue Mountains)	K. Thomas (Camden)
S. Connolly (Campbelltown)	D. Pascoe (Charlestown)
R. Richards (Charlestown)	S. Dawes (City of Sydney)
H. Atzemis (City of Sydney)	C. Ormerod (Cowra)
S. Watson (Cowra)	A. Doring (Eastwood Ryde)
C. Mulvey (Fairfield)	J. Occhiuto (Fairfield)
H. Eadie (Gosford)	J. Brook (Gosford)
J. Webster (Grafton)	T. Cooper (Gunnedah)
J. Small (Gunnedah)	K. Austin (Hastings Valley)
T. Chalk-Cullen (Hawkesbury)	V. Bertenshaw (Hawkesbury)
L. Burgess (Hills)	V. Curren (Illawarra)
C. Lear (Illawarra)	C. Hamilton (Inner West)
K. Halcrow (Inner West)	V. Brunner (Kiama)
J. Godfrey (Kiama)	B. Pope (Kuring-gai)
G. Corderoy (Kuring-gai)	S. Fitzgerald (Lakeside)
L. Bowne (Lakeside)	L. Bonnett (Lismore)
B. Dew (Lismore)	M. Cameron (Lithgow)
E. Lawler (Liverpool)	K. Whiteley (Liverpool)
E. Brown (Macleay)	L. Taylor (Maitland)
H. Dean (Manly)	M. Hauser (Manly)
Y. Richardson (Mt. Druitt)	J. Van der Vilet (Narrabri)
K. Ryan (Narrabri)	A. Shutt (Nelson Bay)
A. Saunders (Newcastle)	E. Monaghan (Newcastle)
J. Gage (Northern Subs)	P. Wilson (Orange)
S. Wilson (Orange)	M. Hoad (Parkes)
L. Welfare (Parramatta/Auburn)	K. Higgins (Parramatta/Auburn)
J. Gillette (Penrith)	B. Olsen (Penrith)
M. Archer (Port Stephens)	A. Moylan (Port Stephens)
D. Breust (Queanbeyan)	C. Hicks (Randwick)
M. Kelly (Randwick)	R. Stephenson (Sapphire Coast)
S. Mitchell (Shoalhaven)	M. Holmes (Shoalhaven)
M. Caddies (Singleton)	H. Andrews (St. George)
T. Willetts (St. George)	R. Atkin (Sutherland)
S. Way (Sutherland)	D. Lockwood (Tamworth)
B. Dunn (Tamworth)	G. Moylan (West Wyalong)
J. Jarman (Westlakes)	C. Cairns (Westlakes)
M. Thoms (Woy Woy)	S. Bailey (Woy Woy)

F. Passmore (Wyong)  
C. Baiton (Young)

C. Miles (Wyong)

**Life Members:** M. Dunn OAM  
P. Weston OAM  
N. Matthews OAM

N. Kenny OAM  
M. Melhuish OAM  
K. Fullagar

**Observers:** G. Urquhart (Newcastle)  
D. Clark (Gunnedah)  
L. Simpson (Gosford)  
J. Halcrow (Campbelltown)

E. Hamilton (Woy Woy)  
N. Marshall (Camden)  
H. Miles (Hastings Valley)

**Staff Members:** J. Simpson (Umpires Education Officer)  
R. Frazer (Coach Education Officer)

**Returning Officer:** Les Turner

**The President declared the meeting open at 11.10am**

**Apologies:** R. Bracken (Camden) O. Brown (Macleay)  
B. Bird (Maitland) C. O'Donnell (Mt. Duit)  
H. Herbert (Lismore) J. Marsham (Eastwood Ryde)  
J. Peare (Hawkesbury)

**MOVED** Inner West seconded Sutherland that apologies be accepted

**CARRIED**

**Announcements – W. Archer (President)**

- NSW Swifts competing in ANZ pre-season tournament at SOP this week end
- Pleased to welcome our principal partners QBE and Sydney Swans
- Rhonda Kimble awarded OAM in Australia Day Honors list

**MINUTES OF THE EXTRA ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 3 NOVEMBER 2007 – as distributed**

**CORRECTIONS**

- Nil

**MOVED** Penrith seconded Randwick that the minutes of the Extra Ordinary Council meeting held on 3 November be adopted as a true and correct record

**CARRIED**

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE EXTRA ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 3 NOVEMBER 2007**

- Nil

**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 3 & 4 NOVEMBER 2007 – as distributed**

**CORRECTIONS**

- Nil

**MOVED** Blue Mountains seconded Grafton that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 3 & 4 November 2007 be adopted as a true and correct record

**CARRIED**

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 3 & 4 NOVEMBER 2007**

- Manly – refer pg 39 – seek clarification of 7 game rule – if a player is unable to play on one day are those games counted?
  - M. Murphy (Director State Administration) – if a player if injured or ill and unavailable to play any game then those games are not included as part of 7 game rule same as previous 30% rule.
    - Northern Suburbs – if games are called off due to wet weather how will we know how many games have to be played?
      - W. Archer (President) – if games are not able to be played due to wet weather, the number of games required to be played will be adjusted and announced – will be expressed as number of game sand not percentages

**ELECTIONS**

Position          Nominee

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**Anne Clark Service Award Committee (5 members to be elected)**

P. Weston OAM	DECLARED ELECTED
K. Fullagar	DECLARED ELECTED
J. Peare OAM	DECLARED ELECTED
C. Baiton	WITHDRAWN
M. Dunn OAM	DECLARED ELECTED

**Historical Committee (5 members to be elected)**

B. Dew	DECLARED ELECTED
P. Weston OAM	DECLARED ELECTED
C. Baiton	DECLARED ELECTED
L. Burgess	DECLARED ELECTED
M. Dunn OAM	DECLARED ELECTED
L. Quinn	WITHDRAWN

**Championships & Competitions Committee (6 members to be elected)**

H. Atzemis	DECLARED ELECTED
R. Havrlant	DECLARED ELECTED
L. Bonnett	DECLARED ELECTED
H. Innes	
B. Spillane	DECLARED ELECTED
Y. Richardson	DECLARED ELECTED
H. Andrews	DECLARED ELECTED

**Finance Committee (3 members to be elected)**

B. Dew	DECLARED ELECTED
C. Baiton	DECLARED ELECTED
L. Quinn	DECLARED ELECTED

**Sports Marketing Committee (5 members to be elected)**

B. Dew	DECLARED ELECTED
C. Baiton	DECLARED ELECTED
H. Innes	DECLARED ELECTED

There will be a re-call for nominations for the following vacancies:

- o Anne Clark Service Award Committee – 1 vacancy
- o Sports Marketing Committee – 2 vacancies

Position	Nominee
Director Sports Marketing	Bev Dew Sue Mitchell

**The President adjourned the meeting at 12 noon**

**The President re convened the meeting at 12.35pm**

Position	Nominee	
Director Sports Marketing	Bev Dew Sue Mitchell	DECLARED ELECTED

The President congratulated all members who had been elected.

**MOVED** M. Murphy (Director State Administration) seconded Hawkesbury for the suspension of standing orders **CARRIED**

Roz Fraser, Coach Education Officer, gave a presentation on the new coaching course  
– copy of presentation attached

**MOVED** M. Murphy (Director State Administration) seconded Port Stephens for the resumption of standing orders **CARRIED**

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

- M. Murphy (Director State Administration) – daily correspondence lists from 29 October 2007 to 3 March 2008 – tabled
- Letter received from Campbelltown – as distributed
  - L. Quinn (Director Championships & Competitions) – rules currently state that all carnivals prior to State Age must be representative carnivals but nothing that says Districts can not hold “gala” days.
    - Camden – rules say “may” so does that say that Districts have a choice as to hold rep only carnivals denies all Club teams the ability to play in a carnival prior to July.
      - L. Quinn (Director Championships & Competitions) – NNSW has no control if an Association wishes to hold a gala day for their Club teams
      - W. Archer (President) – will take all comments back to for consideration by Championships & Competitions committee and will bring recommendation back to Council.
      - Campbelltown – if an Association wants to hold Club games in a carnival can do so?
        - M. Murphy (Director State Administration) – Campbelltown letter and all comments will go back to Championships & Competitions Committee to review and report back to Council

**MOVED** M. Murphy (Director State Administration) seconded Blacktown that correspondence as tabled be accepted **CARRIED**

## **REPORTS**

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT – as distributed – M. Murphy (Director State Administration)**

- An omission from the report – date of NSW Swifts launch was 4 December 2007.
- Partnership with Canteen – literature will be coming to Districts shortly outlining this partnership program. Recently we have been advised that Districts have received an e-mail from a children’s cancer fundraising group regarding participation in a carnival – this is not a NNSW endorsed event but it is up to Districts if they wish to participate.
- Future of State/State Age – submission closed last week and we received quite a few – the working party will meet and review all submissions and make further recommendations to the Board for consideration.
- Tents – under new proposal all tents will have floors. There is no cooking allowed in tents; no parents tents are allowed and it is up to Associations as to access by parents to players. The size of the tents requested is up to the individual Associations – do not have to have the standard size for each team.
  - Port Stephens – are floors, chairs and tables optional?

- L. Quinn (Director Championships & Competitions) – tables and chairs are supplied free of charge and if Districts don't want they need to advise at time of ordering.
- Floors are included as part of the price for tents – this is for safety reasons – NSW will not be supplying hay for Districts to use inside tents
  - Illawarra – if an Association use another supplier when can they erect their tents?
  - L. Quinn (Director Championships & Competitions) Associations still apply for space with NSW but will be allocated space at the rear of the tent village. These tents and parents tents cannot be erected until Saturday morning.

**MOVED** M. Murphy (Director State Administration) seconded Blacktown for the adoption of the Board report as distributed **CARRIED**

**FINANCE REPORT as at end January 2008 – as distributed – J. Hahn (Director Finance)**

**MOVED** J. Hahn (Director Finance) seconded Young for the adoption of the Finance report as distributed **CARRIED**

**GENERAL MANAGER'S OPERATIONAL REPORT – as distributed – C. Campbell (General Manager)**

- Stand Tall Program are holding "Come and Try" days at various Associations on 3 & 17 April 2008 – if Districts are interested in holding these days please contact Christina Rollo in the office.
- NMAS training – contact office if you wish to attend a training day

**MOVED** Liverpool seconded Sutherland for the adoption of the General Manager's Operational report as distributed **CARRIED**

**OTHER REPORTS**

**APPOINTMENTS PANEL REPORT – as distributed – W. Archer Chairperson**

- Newcastle – Note the 21 & Under State team coaching positions have changed and some time delay in new appointments – are unsuccessful coaches graded as alternates? Should it be automatic that an Assistant Coach be made Head Coach is required?
  - W. Archer (President) – There is always a lengthy discussion after appointments are made and rankings are sometimes part of these discussions. This year the process changed somewhat due to the new format timing of the nationals – do not believe the appointment process was overly long or delayed but the process did ensure the best outcomes.
  - Newcastle – have not answered question re automatic promotion of assistant coach
    - W. Archer (President) – there are no automatic promotions – appointments are made per team

- Newcastle – what if the Head Coach took ill the week prior to the nationals?
  - W. Archer (President) – in the timeframe would expect the Assistant Coach to take the role as all the preparation has been done with the Head Coach – for the 21's this year the final selection process had not started when the coach withdrew so the appointment process re-commenced. Assistant coach positions are viewed as development opportunities and appointed to teams as such
  - Sapphire Coast – Believe feedback from the appointments process is very important and where coaches who apply are not eligible should be told as part of the process. Will there be an Assistant Coach appointed to the 21's?
    - W. Archer (President) – Feedback is provided to all candidates by the General Manager. There will be no assistant coach appointed to the 21's this year – decision made by the Board after discussion with the appointed Head Coach
    - Port Stephens – Council give authority to the Appointments Panel and people who have been used have the necessary experience in specialized field. Understand Convenor does not have voting rights – obvious that all decisions are made in the best interests of the Association
      - M. Melhuish (Life Member) – having sat on numerous appointments panels, support the operation of the panel and the people willing to stand for positions and put themselves forward for interview. Current process is much better than the historical process of popular vote and is the fairest system for appointments.

**MOVED** Sutherland seconded Armidale that the Appointment Panel report be adopted  
**CARRIED**

**CHAMPIONSHIPS & COMPETITIONS REPORT – as distributed – L. Quinn  
Convenor**

- State League Region 1 – received 78 entries at closing date with one team subsequently withdrawing. 77 teams graded. First round of appeals have been held with further information posted on the website on Monday. Division 6, 7 & 8 have 9 teams in the division

**MOVED** L. Quinn (Director Championships & Competitions) seconded Newcastle that divisions 6, 7 & 8 have 9 teams in each division for 2008 **CARRIED**

- Timing/Scoring accreditation – new rules will apply for 2008 State League and all procedures have been updated accordingly
  - Newcastle – Region 2 State League starts next week – is there someone to speak to teams before the games commence regarding the new rules as there is nothing in writing?

- W. Archer (President) – Sue Floro and Donna Davey will be addressing teams – NA have instructed NSW not to put anything out in writing at this time
  - L. Quinn (Director Championships & Competitions) – Donna Harrison is currently being updated in new bench protocols at this weekend ANZ pre season and we will arrange for her to also be available
- Sutherland – under new rules, can the manager be the primary carer?
  - L. Quinn (Director Championships & Competitions) – this would be difficult – teams need to get their managerial personnel set to ensure all team services are met within the rules

**MOVED** L. Quinn (Director Championships & Competitions) seconded St. George that for State League Region 1 in 2008 half time be of 5 minutes duration

**CARRIED**

- Parramatta/Auburn – what are the timeslots for Saturday's games?

**MOVED** L. Quinn (Director Championships & Competitions) seconded Young that timeslots for Region 1 State League games on Saturday at ACC be 10.30am, 12noon, 1.30pm, 3.00pm, 4.30pm and 6.00pm

- M. Murphy (Director State Administration) – speak against motion – prefer early start so last timeslot is 4.30pm and foreshadow motion to this effect

#### **MOTION PUT**

**LOST (F:23 A:46)**

**MOVED** M. Murphy (Director State Administration) seconded Shoalhaven that Region 1 State League games played at ACC on Saturday commence at 9.00am with last time slot to commence at 4.30pm

**CARRIED (F:48 L:23)**

- L. Quinn (Director Championships & Competitions) - expect draw on website this week
  - Camden – will Saturday teams receive an update on timing and scoring procedures?
    - Very difficult on Saturday – teams will need to attend courses as set

**MOVED** L. Quinn (Director Championships & Competitions) seconded Hills that the Championships & Competitions report be adopted

**CARRIED**

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

1. Ad hoc Historical Committee report – as tabled – L. Burgess Convenor
  - L. Burgess – all information received will be used and if Districts do not supply historical updates will assume do not want to be included.

**MOVED** Hills seconded Port Stephens that the ad hoc Historical Committee report be adopted

**CARRIED**

2. Randwick – advise that our carnival being held on 4 May will now include a 17 years representative division



3. Manly – On the State League entry form the fee for not supplying an umpire is shown as \$200 – know this is incorrect as moved the motion as such and it was lost
  - o W. Archer (President) – advised this is a typographical error and should be \$500 as per the rules
  
4. Baulkham Hills – Have the date been set/published for the metropolitan regional meetings?
  - o C. Campbell (General Manager) – Yes and advice will be sent to all Associations detailing dates and venues
  
5. Illawarra – State Age coaches attended camp last week end and were given written details re the new rules – when contacted NNSW was told this written advice was not available
  - o W. Archer (President) – permission for Jan Simpson to address the meeting
    - J. Simpson (Umpires Education Officer) – text outlining the new rules was given out at the State Age Coaches Camp however this was prior to NNSW receiving instructions from NA – these were my notes only – Illawarra did contact me to send out rules but I had to advise at that time was unable to do so under NA instructions.
    - Illawarra – where do we go from here – do we use the old rules until something in writing comes out?
      - W. Archer (President) – the new rules are in effect as of 1 March 2008 even though they are not yet in print. New rule books should be available by end of April. In terms of playing rules there are very few changes – new rules mainly apply to injury time and stoppages in play.
        - o Illawarra – will the new rules apply at State Age?
          - W. Archer (President) – new rules are in place now and will apply to all NNSWS championships and competitions
  
6. Newcastle – commend the presentation of the Annual report as a cost saving measure

**The President declared the meeting closed at 2.45pm.**