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New South Wales Netball Association  
Minutes of the August Council Meeting

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Tuesday 26 August 2008  
Dooleys Club, John Street Lidcombe  
Time: 6.45pm

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Present :

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

Delegates: M.Leonard(Bankstown) D. Howard(Bankstown)  
K.Mellenbergh(Bathurst) M.Coghlan(Bathurst)  
C.Murphy(Baulkham Hills) C.Aird(Baulkham Hills)  
S.Marks(Blacktown) J.Miskell(Blacktown)  
E.Godkin(Blue Mountains) E.Konza(Blue Mountains)  
M.Bourke(Brunswick Byron) K.Thomas(Camden)  
R.Bracken(Camden) J.Halcrow(Campbelltown)  
D.Pascoe(Charlestown) D.Cowburn(Charlestown)  
S.Dawes(City of Sydney) H.Atzemis(City of Sydney)  
A.Doring(Eastwood/Ryde) J.Occhito(Fairfield)  
H.Eadie(Gosford) J.Brook(Gosford)  
J.Webster(Grafton) T.Chalk(Hawkesbury)  
F.Turnbull(Hawkesbury) L.Burgess(Hills)  
V.Curran(Illawarra) C.Lear(Illawarra)  
B.Spillane(Inner Western) G.Corderoy(Ku-ring-gai)  
L.Bowne(Lakeside) S.Fitzgerald(Lakeside)  
B.Dew(Lismore) E.Lawler(Liverpool)  
K.Whiteley(Liverpool) MJ. Hauser(Manly)  
M.Cliff(Manly) C.O'Donnell(Mount Druitt)  
B.Lee(Mount Druitt) A.Shutt(Nelson Bay)  
G.Urquhart(Nelson Bay) A.Saunders(Newcastle)  
E.Monaghan(Newcastle) M.Paterson(North Suburbs)  
J.Byrnes(Parramatta Auburn) L.Welfare(P/ Auburn)  
J.Gillett(Penrith) B.Olsen(Penrith)  
M.Kelly(Randwick) C.Hicks(Randwick)  
M.Caddies(Singleton) H.Andrews(ST George)  
V.Morris(Sutherland) M.Bettini(Sutherland)  
Y.Richardson(Taree) C.Baiton(Young)

Life Members: N.Kenny OAM, M.Corbett, M.Boyle OAM, Kath Fullager

Observers: Jean Peare(Hawkesbury), Sue McLeod (Fairfield)

Staff members: R.O'Brien, G.Eckert, R.Franco, M.Yen

Returning Officer: Les Turner

**The President declared the meeting open at 6.48pm**

**1. Apologies:**

C. Cains (Westlakes)	R. Stephenson (Sapphire Coast)
Port Stephens NA	B. Pope (Ku-ring-gai)
H. Herbert (Lismore)	T. Field (Northern Suburbs)
T. Willett (St George)	M. Holmes (Shoalhaven)
D. Breust (Queanbeyan)	M. Dunn (Life Member)
L. Bonnett (Taree)	B. Mann (Hills)
N. Matthews (Life Member)	M. Melhuish (Life Memebr)
J. Marsham (E/Ryde)	C. Hamilton (Inner West)

**Moved** Charlestown seconded Young that apologies be accepted

**CARRIED**

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

- Congratulations to NSW Swifts on their inspirational victory in the inaugural ANZ championships in July 2008
- Congratulations to Cath Cox, Susan Pratley, Kim Green, Rebecca Bulley on their selection in the Australian team for the forthcoming test series
- On a sad note, one of our AA umpires was involved in a car accident Collette Brennan Collette is recovering in hospital. Netball NSW has expressed their wishes in her recovery

**2. Confirmation of previous minutes of the meeting held on 27 May 2008**

**Moved** Camden and seconded Hills that minutes of the Council meeting held on 27 May 2008 be adopted

**CARRIED**

**3. Business arising from minutes of 27 May 2008**

- Young – pg 8 – Coaching Manuals –have these been distributed as yet?
  - R. Havrlent ( Director Technical Services – manuals were distributed 2-3 weeks ago – if not received please contact NNSW office

**4. Notices of Motion**

- No notices of motion

## 5. Elections

- No elections noted

## 6. Correspondence

- M. Murphy (Director State Administration) – daily correspondence lists from 27 May 2008 – 26 August 2008 – as tabled

**Moved** M. Murphy (Director State Administration) that correspondence as tabled for the period 22 July to 25 August 2008 be accepted **CARRIED**

## 7. Business arising from Correspondence

- Nil

## 8. Applications for Membership

- Nil

**Moved** M. Murphy (Director State Administration) seconded by Camden for the suspension of standing orders **CARRIED**

- Presentation by President Wendy Archer made to Selina Gilsonan and Julie Fitzgerald regarding their achievement with the NSW Swifts

**Meeting adjourned at 7.05pm**

**Meeting resumed at 7.23pm**

**Moved** M. Murphy (Director State Administration) seconded Blue Mountains for the resumption standing orders **CARRIED**

## 9. Reports:

### **Board of Directors Report – as distributed – M. Murphy (Director State Administration)**

- In line with the adoption of the MPP and in line with our previous advice to Council, the board will be presenting motions to the November Council meeting to bring the Constitution in line with the MPP, these motions having been reviewed by our solicitors to ensure our MPP is the best possible document it can be to protect all our members.
- At the last Council meeting there was much discussion re the proposed volunteer awards. The Board reviewed the suggestion of the Sports Marketing Committee and suggested to this Committee this award was not required; that the Ann Clarke Service Award is the pinnacle of volunteering in Netball NSW and that work should be done on a criteria for use by Districts in recognising their own District volunteers.
- 2008 Review has commenced and again recommendations will be brought to November Council meeting as required.

- Much discussion has taken place in recent weeks regarding the competition rules. Several forums will be held in coming weeks from which recommendations will again be brought to the November meeting for Council's consideration. A players only forum is the first step in this process and invitations for the players will go out in next week
- As can be seen from our discussions here, Delegates need to come to the November council meeting prepared and briefed and ready to make decisions.
- ANL competition is underway and is a fantastic competition. It is an active competition and the players really enjoy the competition.
- Future of State/State Age – again we have listed to Districts and will present new formats for both competitions to the November meeting, of importance will be the requirement for Districts to submit an expression of interest to host a venue.
  - Newcastle – D Saunders – pg 15 formal recommendations for 2010 State Age championships venues are already established. It is our understanding that many districts have already made bookings. What is the status?
    - Lyn Quinn (Director Championships & Competitions) - only the Hunter area has been identified. Actual venues and divisions to be determined by Council at November Council meeting

**Moved** M Murphy seconded K. Fullagar (Life Member) for the adoption of the Board report as distributed **CARRIED**

**Finance Report - as distributed – J.Hahn (Director Finance)**

- P&L Summary – for six month period ended 30 June 2008 – as distributed
- This report has been expanded out to give more information on the various cost centres.
- Sutherland – regarding sponsorship money \$ 47,000 is yet to come in under sponsorship
- Kuringai – regarding the assets \$708, 000 debtors.
  - John Hahn (Director Finance) to do with fees/ Netball fees and nothing unusual about the amount.
    - Sutherland – are some debtors District Associations?
      - J. Hahn (Director Finance) Yes that some debtors are District Associations

**Moved** J Hahn (Director Finance) seconded Liverpool for the adoption of the Finance report as distributed **CARRIED**

**General Manager's Operational Report - as distributed - C Campbell (General Manager)**

- 2009-2012 NSWIS – Netball has been advised program will be included in NSWIS for next period. Currently in the process of finalising the contractual agreements, however, NSWIS will no longer have teams competing in State League competition. NNSW will be holding briefings for players tomorrow night
- Liverpool – regarding the address of our courts- we have moved to our new courts.
  - GM noted and apologised
- Metro squads – names as listed in report have changed due to some withdrawals and squads have been re-selected.

**Moved** Grafton seconded Hawkesbury for the adoption of the General Manager's Operational report as distributed **CARRIED**

## 10. Any other reports

### **Appeals Report – as distributed - R. Watson Convenor**

- Two reports distributed as May report was omitted from May meeting papers.

**Moved** Rodney Watson seconded by Liverpool that the Appeals Committee reports as distributed be adopted **CARRIED**

### **Ad-hoc Historical Committee Report – as distributed – L. Burgess Convenor**

- Have received an increase number of inquiries regarding the archiving and history of all associations. It will be accessible via the internet.
- Newcastle – For members wish to advise the passing of Nola Green and represented NSW and Australia with honour. Lyn Burgess was given files on the championship

**Moved** Baulkham Hills seconded by Eastwood Ryde for the adoption of the Historical Committee report **CARRIED**

## 11. General Business

1. M. Corbett (Life Member) – changes to State Age rulings regarding the awarding of joint winners. Once again we have changed rules and the current count back system for winners goes against the reason we have the 30% rule in place. Ask that the board consider this is their review and put forward changes at the next Council meeting.
  - Lynn Quinn (Director Championships & Competitions) have noted the comments by Margaret Corbett and will consider as part of review – request put suggestions in writing
2. City of Sydney – concerned regarding fact the Lynn Quinn has not presented the Competitions and Championship report.

- M. Murphy (Director State Administration) – this report sits within the Board report. Questions were called for and none were received, Board report was put to Council and adopted. This process has been in place for several Council meetings now.
3. Newcastle – Foreshadowed motion
    - Moved Newcastle Seconded Nelson Bay that all policies accepted and/or prepared by the Board be submitted to Council for adoption prior to implementation
  4. Camden – query regarding MPP training. Is this to occur?
    - W. Archer (President) - training scheduled for this week for Panel but had to be postponed – new date to be set. For District personnel – date yet to be set – GM to advise.
  5. L. Quinn (Director Championships & Competitions) – there will be a forum to discuss the rules of State League on Thursday 18 September at ACC commencing at 7.30pm. Also a reminder that the first and third name teams taking part in this week's State League finals must have two persons on the bench. C&C committee will provide bench personnel for State League grand finals only.
  6. W. Archer (President) - there is an updated District directory for each association to be collected tonight. ANL Finals will be held on Friday 12 and Sunday 14 September 2008 at the ACC. Everyone is encouraged to attend as we fully expect at least one NSW team to be playing in finals series. As our season draws to a close, would wish all teams good luck in the finals.

**The President declared the meeting closed at 8.03pm**