



NEW SOUTH WALES NETBALL ASSOCIATION LIMITED
MINUTES OF THE MAY COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Tuesday 12 May 2009
at Dooleys Club, John Street, Lidcombe commencing at 7.10pm.

Present:

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

Delegates: M. Leonard (Bankstown) D. Howard (Bankstown)
K. Mellenbergh (Bathurst) J. Pike (Baulkham Hills)
L. Wearne (Baulkham Hills) S. Marks (Blacktown)
R. Bracken (Camden) J. Halcrow (Campbelltown)
D. Pascoe (Charlestown) S. Dawes (City of Sydney)
A. Doring (Eastwood Ryde) J. Watt (Eastwood Ryde)
L. Simpson (Gosford) Lyn Burgess (Hills)
J. Thompson (Hills) V. Curren (Illawarra)
C. Lear (Illawarra) K. Halcrow (Inner West)
R. Barnes (Kuring-gai) L. Bowne (Lakeside)
S. Fitzgerald (Lakeside) B. Dew (Lismore)
H. Herbert (Lismore) H. Dean (Manly)
M. Hauser (Manly) A. Shutt (Nelson Bay)
G. Urquharts (Nelson Bay) A. Saunders (Newcastle)
E. Monaghan (Newcastle) T. Field (Northern Suburbs)
S. Robinson (Northern Suburbs) L. Welfare (Parramatta/Auburn)
J. Gillett (Penrith) B. Olsen (Penrith)
M. Kelly (Randwick) C. Hicks (Randwick)
H. Andrews (St. George) L. Mina-Jeffree (St. George)
M. Bettini (Sutherland) V. Morris (Sutherland)
L. Bonnett (Taree)

Life Members: M. Dunn OAM, N. Kenny OAM, M. Melhuish OAM,
N. Matthews OAM, K. Fullagar

Observers: M. Caddies (Singleton) P. Fitzpatrick (Gosford)

Returning Officer: Les Turner

The President declared the meeting open at 7.10pm

1. **Apologies:**
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| J. Burns (P/Auburn) | C. Baiton (Young) |
| Y. Richardson (Taree) | H. Atzemis (City of Sydney) |
| M. Boyle (Life Member) | J. Webster (Grafton) |
| R. Robinson (Coolamon) | E. Lawler (Liverpool) |
| K. Whiteley (Liverpool) | E. Godkin (Blue Mountains) |
| E. Konza (Blue Mountains) | D. Breust (Queanbeyan) |
| Port Stephens N. A. | |

MOVED M. Dunn (Life Member) seconded Eastwood Ryde that apologies be accepted **CARRIED**

2. Announcements – W. Archer (President)

- Congratulations to our 17's, 19's and 21's on their recent campaigns at the National Netball Championships held in Canberra. Our teams wore the Waratah proudly and displayed great netball skills whilst ably led by coaches Lenore Blades (17's), Moira Gaha (19's) and Jon Fletcher (21's). Our 17's and Under finished a credible third behind a very strong South Australian team. Our 19's & Under and 21's and Under made it back-to-back National Championships with great performances on the court in very tightly contested finals. Natarlia Manning (19's) and Kimberley Borger (21's) were named the San Remo Most Valuable Players for their age grouping.
- We had great success with quite a number of our players being recognised in Australian Squads and I extend, on behalf of the Board, Members and Staff, to the following players our sincere congratulations and we look forward to watching their development.
 - 17's – Brooke Miller, Hannah Lee, Paige Hadley, Anita Blanco, Gabi Simpson
 - 19's – Natarlia Manning, Samantha Poolman, Verity Simmons, Kellyann Grayson, Nicola Gray, Alison Lovatt
 - 21's – Kimberley Borger, Amy Wild, Courtney Tiari, Ashleigh Brazill, Chelsea Pittman, April Letton
 - Amy Somerville (17's) and Victoria Trist (19's) have been invited to attend the training camp in July
- NSW was also represented in the umpiring ranks by Shantelle Rennie, Elise Bryan, Emma Davey, Helen Dolbel, Peta Quinn, Jemma Charlton and Tara Gregory. Shantelle and Tara were appointed to the final of the 17's and 21's respectively.

3. Minutes of the Council meeting held on 7 March 2009

Corrections:

- pg 4 under President's Announcements – should be Tara Gregory not Tara Warner
- Newcastle – Ellen Monaghan not listed as an observer at the meeting

MOVED Northern Suburbs seconded N. Matthews (Life Member) that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 7 March 2009, with the above corrections noted, be adopted **CARRIED**

4. Business arising from the minutes of the Council meeting held on 7 March 2009

- Nil

5. Elections

Championship & Competitions Committee – 2 vacancies

Nominee	Nominated By	Seconded By	
Marie Dunn OAM	Sandra Gardinar	Lyn Welfare	DECLARED ELECTED
Helen Innes	Louise Jegers	Diane Scott	DECLARED ELECTED

Sports Marketing Committee – 2 vacancies

Nominee	Nominated By	Seconded By	
Julian Finch	Maureen Finch	Jo Costill	DECLARED ELECTED
Helen Innes	Louise Jegers	Diane Scott	DECLARED ELECTED

6. Correspondence

M. Murphy (Director State Administration) – daily correspondence lists from 7 March 2009 to 8 May 2009 – as tabled

Correspondence read:

1. Letter received from solicitors representing Penrith Netball Association – dated 10 December 2008
2. NNSW Response to Penrith letter – dated 12 May 2009

MOVED M. Murphy (Director State Administration) seconded Hills that correspondence as tabled for the period 7 March 2009 to 8 May 2009 be accepted **CARRIED**

7. Applications for Membership

- Nil

8. Reports

Board of Directors Report

- Newcastle – statement for inclusion in minutes
 - W. Archer (President) – need confirmation from office regarding the date of affiliation and membership fees receipt

- Newcastle - restate that as fees and affiliation papers were received on time they should have been entitled to vote at AGM.

MOVED Newcastle seconded Eastwood Ryde that the following statement be minuted

Newcastle Netball Association had paid its affiliation fee and had forwarded its application for membership form to NNSW by the specified date January 1st and its delegates were entitled to vote and participate in the AGM according to the current constitution. The association delegates were denied their constitutional rights

MOTION PUT

CARRIED

- L. Quinn (Director Championships & Competitions) – have had cause to gather data on late registrations for Region 1 State League: in first 3 rounds of competition there were 47 late registrations, 27 players have been de-registered, 39 players who were originally registered have yet to take the court, 42 players have played up into higher divisions and 18 players have played all three games up and are now members of these higher teams.
 - Northern Suburbs - seek clarification of Clause 13 regarding players late registration
 - W. Archer (President) – clause refers to player status and ability for a team to retain status if original players extensively changed
 - Sutherland – does this mean that a player of a lower standard cannot be registered in team?
 - L. Quinn (Director Championships & Competitions) Committee is bound by Council rules: clause 7 and Clause 13. No provision or safeguard for late registered players playing up.
 - Blacktown - Nothing logical in grading, only 9 teams in division 1 and 11 teams in divisions 2 when rules state must be 10 teams in each divisions of the State League competition.
 - L. Quinn (Director Championships & Competitions) - there were 10 teams graded into State League but as a result of appeals, team numbers in these divisions accommodated these appeal results
 - Wendy Archer (President) - decisions had to be made in a short timeframe, agree that it was not an ideal situation, also agree that there are issues with grading policy. Advise that Lyn and Rodney and I are working on a paper regarding grading policy procedures and rules of competition which will hopefully come out later in the year for discussion. For 2009 competition the Association will have to proceed with current system

MOVED M. Murphy (Director State Administration) seconded M. Dunn (Life Member) that the Board of Directors Report be accepted **CARRIED**

Finance Report

- J. Hahn (Director Finance) – Currently 49,290 members registered on the NMAS system and new registrations being received daily. Remind all Associations that we need the names entered onto the system as soon as possible to support insurance requirements.

- Randwick – problem with names being entered onto the system, then withdrawn but no NNSW refund of fees
 - J. Hahn (Director Finance) – once registration is received by NNSW then insurance kicks in and no refund is available
 - Sutherland – issue with secondary registrations or errors in information means players are registered twice
 - Newcastle – is there a policy regarding secondary registrations or where a player must lodge the main registration
 - J. Hahn (Director Finance) – no policy where a player can register – free to choose whatever District they look to register with

MOVED J. Hahn (Director Finance) seconded K.Fulagar for adoption of the Finance Report
CARRIED

General Manager’s Operational Report

- Kerry Nicholson commenced last Monday as Coaching Administrator on a 6 month maternity leave contract
- Newcastle – will a District Association be notified when an umpire does/passes the exam online? With certificates – will these be sent to Districts or straight to the individuals?
 - R. Frazer – (Game Development Manager) – when the online exam is completed, able to print own certificate on line. This can then be taken to the Association. Associations can request a list of the results from the NNSW Umpires Administrator. Information is also available on the Districts own database

MOVED Charlestown seconded Lakeside for the adoption of the General Manager’s Operational report
CARRIED

Other Reports

Appeals Panel Report – as tabled

MOVED Hills seconded Northern Suburbs for the adoption of the Appeals Panels report as tabled
CARRIED

NA Delegates Report – as tabled

- N. Kenny (Life Member) – congratulations to NNSW staff for the staging of the ANZ Championship game on Mother’s Day – very enjoyable day

MOVED N. Matthews (Life Member) seconded Charlestown for the adoption of the NA Delegates report as tabled
CARRIED

9. General Business

- Newcastle - umpires attending Whistleblowers workshop had problems finding the venue. Address given was Olympic Boulevard, Homebush Bay. Due to insufficient directions the delegates missed half the session. Requested that better venue information be given.

- General Manager noted the issue
- Northern Suburbs – query regarding the best time to hold AGM
 - M. Murphy (Director State Administration – new legislation currently being passed which related to Incorporated Associations in that financial year must be either financial or calendar year, after that the AGM must be held within 6 months of end of financial years
- Northern Suburbs – this is our 40th year and will be celebrating with a dinner later in the year
- Kuringai - requested updates on submissions submitted in 2008 re state/state age
 - M. Murphy (Director State Administration) - submissions were considered as part of the review of State and State Age and recommendations were made to Council which were adopted – refer past meeting papers – will also send copies of report.
- L. Quinn (Director Championships & Competitions) - Timing and Scoring Accreditation will now provided by Netball Australia. One final NNSW course will be run at the ACC on Thursday 28 May
- L. Quinn (Director Championships & Competitions) – following appeal process, the Open division of State Championships will be played as one division
- Campbelltown – \$2.1m grant from Federal govt for development of Coronation park along with co-contribution from Campbelltown City Council and Campbelltown Netball of \$200,000 each
- W. Archer (President) - Commend Illawarra District, Norm, Maureen and Val on publication of their District history, 60 years this year
- W. Archer (President) - Hastings Valley clubhouse was destroyed by fire last week. NSW consulting with Hastings Valley regarding what equipment has been lost, so that we can liaise with other local districts who wish to assist
- W. Archer (President) – reminder of the President’s Dinner on Saturday 6 June 2009 at State Championships celebrating our 80 years
- W. Archer (President) - Thanks to members and wider communities regarding support of NSW Swift games – the large attendances are encouraging and the Swifts will return to their winning ways.

The President declared the meeting closed at 8.45pm