



## Summary of Business

### **Excerpts from the Minutes of the EWA Board special additional meeting**

**held at 6.30pm on 22 June 2021  
at the SEC and via Zoom**

**ATTENDANCE:** R Fleming (Chair), A Marchesani (Vice Chair), R O'Halloran (Finance Director), W Newton-Wordsworth, A Wilkins, G Edwards, R Hovell,

**Apologies:** nil

**In attendance:** D Pedlow CEO

#### **Disclosure of Interest**

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Ron Fleming (Chair) 2020-2022	Dressage competitor Member, Perth Dressage Club, Brookleigh Dressage Club, Employee of Racing & Wagering WA Partner is Dressage competitor, EA Coach, CE
Anita Marchesani 2019-2021 (Vice Chair)	Member Brookleigh Working Equitation Club, Founder Coaching Excellence Alliance, Founder Get Up and Gallop Coaching & Mentoring, DWA Steward, Marketing associate at Concept Marketing
Rosalyn O'Halloran (Finance Director) appointed	Member Perth Dressage Club
William Newton-Wordsworth 2019- 2021	Eventing competitor, Breeder, Eventing HP Recognition Squad member, Member Dryandra Regional Equestrian Association
Rory Hovell 2021-2023	Showjumping Competitor CEO & Manager Yalambi Farm Stud (Breeder) Yalambi Jumping Classic Show Organiser Member of Equestrian Australia National Jumping Committee Equestrian Coach
Anne Wilkins 2021-2023	President, Moora & Districts Horsemen's Assoc Member, Geraldton Combined Equestrian Club
Geoff Edwards appointed	Daughter is a Jumping competitor and a member of WASJA and Swan River Showjumping Club, EA Fees & Levies Committee

#### **General Business**

CEO gave overview meeting with EA and State Chairs/CEOs meeting 21 June

- SportAust funding is about to be finalised
- HP funding return to EA control about to occur/ EA HP structure to be reviewed
- EA finances for 20/21 ok]
- Safety /welfare plans are proceeding well, Sport Aust to provide some funding
- AIS sport integrity framework can be used by EA to update our MPP
- Tokyo selection due 25 June, risk management of all Australian officials/etc plan in place

- IT Cyber security threat identified at EA.
- Nation redress scheme re sports like EA might not be required to join.
- EA staffing to be review and positions filled as required.

**CEO noted that AM had updated disclosure of interest register and that the part owner of Axito and the company she works for is the same person.**

### **Engagement update**

- Meeting City of Swan, CEO Jeremy Edwards & Operations Officer Jim Coten, asked if CoS would gift SEC to EWA, would they continue to offer financial support, we need to apply in October.
- Meeting City of Swan grants team re \$180,000 CoS grant documentation proceeding.
- Meeting policy adviser WA Sport Minister, M Dixon, stated no money in forward estimates for FY 21/22 or 22/23. Discussed BBR application, External operator option and commercial partnership being looked at he stated the Government looked favourably on these options.
- Request for meeting Ken Wyatt, no date set or response
- Request for meeting DGLSC Director General Liane Chopping waiting for response.
- External funding initial approach made to receive feedback prior to formal application.

### **SEC Funding update**

- DLGSC submission re EWA requirements emailed 10/06. If no money in forward estimates then we are relying on FAA pool of \$12.5 million per year for all sports. To follow up again with DSR.
- FAA grant March to December 2021 \$370,000 (see attached). CEO has not proceeded at this stage, will act once BBR result is known. Auspan was coming to SEC to quotes for estimates for Indoor and stables.
- City of Swan 2021/2022 \$180,000, insurance, grounds, music license, EWA to apply for continued funding.

### **Future management options**

- External operator, CEO to identify what they need to be a tenant, how do they plan to fund the SEC, is there a Hybrid management model, questions about EWA access for dates, what effect if no redevelopment funds are committed. CEO and GE to approach.
- Commercial partnership: Strategy Company Axito, CEO had met with Nicky Hardwood to enquire about her experiences with Brookleigh, she identified the importance of Sewage treatment plant, and suggested we meet with Gerry Hanssen for advice.

AM/RF we need additional business income source to survive. RH EWA/SEC are conflicted as require different outcomes. RH could we moth ball Indoor and continue to operate the rest, CEO had doubts this was possible due to all services coming through Indoor. AW need to pursue Private funding Crowd funding, personal approaches, member's fundraising. RH many in the equestrian community are wealthy and they should be approached, AM ask for him to identify these, RF concern that if funds raised and no additional funds found we might need to return funds. If targets not met.

AW all options depend on the BBR we should wait and not spend money on Axito proposal.

- Continued EWA management, CEO expressed concerns re the financial viability post December 2021, and that decisions are required.

WNW all ideas should be pursued, questioned value of demolition of indoor, go forward piece by piece on redevelopment with funds as they appear. What low cost options are there?

Stakeholder engagement

At this stage there is no additional information, once we know more we can organise comms.

- EWA members/sport committees
- SEC sub tenants and home based clubs
- SEC users/ event organisers
- Community

**Meeting Closes 8.50pm**

Next meeting 6 July 6.30pm