

# **Summary of Business**

# Excerpts from the Minutes of the EWA Board and meeting of EWA Sport Committees Chairs held at 6.30pm on 4 May 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,

Guest: Department of Sport representatives Steve Humfrey, Bruce Campbell

Sport committee Chairs/presentative: Coaching G Simms, Jumping A Kippin, Dressage S

Simons, Show Horse V Mayger, Eventing P McLachlan,

**Apologies:** C Agnew DLGSC

In attendance: D Pedlow CEO

### **Disclosure of Interest**

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Ron Fleming	Dressage competitor
(Chair) 2020-2022	Member, Perth Dressage Club, Brookleigh Dressage Club,
	Employee of Racing & Wagering WA
	Partner is Dressage competitor, EA Coach, CE
Anita Marchesani 2019-2021	Member Brookleigh Working Equitation Club,
(Vice Chair)	Founder Coaching Excellence Alliance, Founder Get Up and
	Gallop Coaching & Mentoring, DWA Steward
Rosalyn O'Halloran (Finance	Member Perth Dressage Club
Director) appointed	
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William Newton-Wordswor	
2019- 2021	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 Horsemans Assoc
	Member, Geraldton Combined Equestrian Club
Geoff Edwards appointed	Daughter is a Jumping competitor and a members of WASJA and
	Swan River Showjumping Club, EA Fees & Leviles Committee

#### Minutes

Confirmation of Minutes of Board meeting 6 April 2021 Approved AM/GE

## **General business**

Proceed to item 10.0 EWA review of required facilities. To be held with DLGSC and Sport committees.

EWA Sport facility requirements report tabled compiled from information requested from Sport committees and EWA staff re facility requirements.

- RF introduced SH and stated that RoH, CEO and RF had met 16 April with DSR staff re the SEC and that they had requested EWA identified what EWA as a sport requires as a State Sporting Association of a facility.

SH Introduced himself stated he had previously attended the EWA members' forum on restructure of the Sport and his history in facilities at DSR. BC was also in attendance and is the State Sporting Facility manager for DSR.

SH commented on:

• Separating the idea of the current pavilion from the SEC and look at development of the sport and what role the pavilion plays.

AW EWA needs the Pavilion, the SEC is more than the Pavilion and all of the facilities require redevelopment.

No funding foreseen for the pavilion for 5 years

RoH what guarantee of funding moving forward for the SEC in general, PMcL eventing could use the pavilion if was made suitable

RF commented what does the future hold re City of Swan and DSR, the EWA committees are in unison on the importance of the pavilion and the SEC for the sport, and the need for day/night all weather facility.

• DSR requires clarity of what we want.

RF EWA will be presenting a proposal with 2 weeks.

- EWA required to refine a scope of works on the primary purpose of the build.
- Funding is limited and more has not been forthcoming, what are needs and the reality might be different. The way the SEC is managed/operated needs reviewing better cost recovery.

RF/RoH what new funding is available for capital works and will it be funded into the future.

- SSFIF has been in place since 2006 but has limited funds, AMP in place but we need a better business model to be more profitable. Scaled down would still require support.
- New build would require new funds
- Revise scope for build \$10/15million costs

RoH what support can be given for ongoing asset management.

- The last chance for the indoor/ work on the rebuild and let the other facilities follow
- Department is still working on the replacement of the indoor/warmup surface

RH asked if links to Racing etc. might help with other funding sources. RF this is not available to EWA.

CEO mentioned attempts to get Magic Millions involved but they declined.

### **Actions**

- What are the options including operational costs and redevelopment costs
- Option of pavilion removal and rebuild
- DSR it would be a big ask to get additional things included
- Clearly identify what we want
- Cost need to reflect real costs

RF asked for comments from Chairs:

AK Indoor needs to change/surface/cost of keeping/maintenance

PMcL focus on getting indoor right

SS loss of indoor would be devastating for dressage

GS no mention of what funding is available

VM indoor very well-liked by show horse, indoor needed and current surface ok

## DSR SH and BC left meeting

RF asked for comments from Board

AW conversation very frustrating 3/5 years of time delaying is unacceptable.

AM agreed AW, we need basic services for the sport. CEO to follow up with contact from AM WNW Horrified at discussion we need to find external funding. Questioned if the SEC really needed to be pushed down. Keep looking at redevelopment.

RoH EWA needs to look at other Australian facilities, define hard facts on costs, concerns of new cost after redevelopment look at option of indoor v outdoor

RH question cost in proposal/surface, important that we stay together as a sport, affordably? GE supports the general conversation, we have been led a long way to then be told no, concerns that DSR is strategically having problems with the size of the problem and impact on the sport. RF thanked Chairs for their attendance and input.

Board meeting started 8.10pm

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

#### - Equestrian Australia - report

Meeting confirmed with EWA Board and EA Board 18 May 6.30pm

#### - EWA SGM AGM

All is in place for a Covid safe AGM SGM using the indoor arena, RH asked if we expect any issues to be raised by members, CEO none are know, we might have questions re the SEC lease from sub lease tenants and Sport committee tenure.

AM EWA to organise a webinar Q & A about the SEC etc CEO to organise.

RF asked if all other general business items can be taken as read. All

## **FINANCE REPORT**

- Financials March
- Audit signed
- Annual report completed
- Superannuation Jan/March 2021 tabled.
- Membership report April tabled
- New members March/April tabled

All items accepted as tabled

# - CEO Report taken as read

# - Correspondence

- Out EWA Testimonial of support Rick Smith to Rick Smith re Strategic plan 19 April
- Out City of Swan dust suppression April report.
- In Avon Legal Invoice SGM, By laws, Constitution \$2.034.45
- In EA Insurance tender 19 April

## - EWA Committee Minutes

- JWA 17 March
- SHWA 6 April
- DWA 24 February
- EvWA 23 March

AM commented on Jumping minutes re costs of Nominate v Global and that the committee did not have correct information.

#### Additional items for discussion

AW question re internet options CEO still working on options

AM CEO to speak to Simon Loader re-funding options, and progress on comms plan RoH ask if Lotterywest grant acquittal is meeting required time line, CEO all is on track WNW approach to external funder to be progressed, time line, Proposal options to be finalised. AW \$15m needed \$10m Federal grant application in,

RoH SEC options to be set I. Original redevelopment 2 What is required by EWA only for whole site 3 Replacement of Indoor only

GE External operator option looks ok, RF question on what they think is required for Indoor and what if that changes with the proposed new options. GE is also working on the EA fees and levies and are waiting insurance details.

AM comms re EA restructure should be sent by EWA to all members, EWA has been requested to meet with Equestrian Discipline's for Change date set for 12 May, Board and Sport committee Chairs to be invited.

RH questioned how the external operator approach was made, RF they approached us.

Meeting closed 9.30pm, next scheduled meeting I June