

Present: R Fleming (Chair), W Newton-Wordsworth (Vice Chair), A Avery, L Barnes, A Marchesani
Apology: K Van Eykelenborg (Finance Director), P McLachlan
In attendance: D Pedlow (CEO), J Yacopetti (Minutes)

The **Minutes** of the meeting of 3 August 2018 were approved as read.

As at 4 September 2018, the **Register of Interests** remained unchanged.

General Business

CEO circulated Future of SEC briefing document to Board prior to meeting. It was noted that the COS lease would expire at the end of 2020 and the Board discussed the imperative for major financial investment.

The Board agreed that specialist expertise in approaching Federal, State and Local government for financial support was essential to ensure the best opportunity of realising a change to the financing and support of the SEC.

The Board resolved that EWA engage GRA Partners as lobbying consultancy for an initial period of 3 months, terms as outlined in GRA proposal, with Board approval required for any extension to this period. CEO to invite Sport Committees to attend meeting on Thurs 13 Sept to communicate SEC redevelopment measures being taken..

Chair reported on Equestrian Australia meeting on 24 August, attended by Chair and CEO. EA CEO has pledged to maintain regular weekly contact with State CEOs. Service agreement (in place of MOU) to be drafted by State CEOs for EA consideration.

EA AGM to be held on 22 November, with State Strategy meeting and Coaches Forum the following day. EWA Chair to discuss selection panel for EA Board members with EA via teleconference, also requirement for two WA representatives for nominations committee. Candidates for this committee yet to be identified by Board.

CEO/Chair to draft communication to Members notifying of forecast increase in 2019 membership fees, explaining CPI and EA Insurance cost obligations.

The Board approved the EWA Annual Awards Policy as circulated prior to meeting, with an amendment to Selection Process, point 2, so that it reads *'EWA Board and EWA Sports Committees may also put forward nominations'*

CEO to circulate proposed Life membership criteria to Board for final approval, before issuing to Sports Committees.

AIS/EA HP state funding outline circulated prior to meeting and CEO clarified that AIS/EA HP funds are managed by EWA, not Sports Committees, as per funding guidelines.

Board approved draft Coaching Charter as circulated prior to meeting, with amendment to Duties & Responsibilities, point 7 so that the following is added *'and identify policy, procedure to help reduce risks and potential insurance claims'*. CEO to issue to Sports and Coach Committees for feedback.

CEO/AM to organise first meeting of Animal Welfare Committee.

Financial reports for July 18 were circulated prior to meeting and accepted by Board.

CEO Report

CEO confirmed that Welcome to Country had been finalised and to be communicated to Sports Committees. It was noted that Board Policy was that this be included in State and EWA events held at SEC.

CEO reported on SEC café lease agreement being negotiated with Mamalilli. Event organisers will not be obliged to use café for catering at fixtures and other suppliers still allowed on ground.

CEO made submission to Swan Valley Planning Review feedback and copy to be circulated to the Board

With no further business, the **Meeting closed** at 9.45pm. Next meeting scheduled for Tues 25 Sept.