



**Minutes of Presidents Forum
8:00pm Tuesday 8th September 2009
at Sport SA, Military Road, West Beach**

1 OPEN MEETING

2 PRESENT

Chris Wood	Adelaide Sea Dragons/DBSA	Alison Miller	Subsonix
Chris Payne	Black Dragons	Greg Bond	Waiwilta
Steve Holt	Adelaide Survivors Abreast	Tim Monson	Powerblades
Debbie Attewell	Water Warriors	Patrick Doogue	DBSA
Clive Grant	Adelaide Phoenix	John Holland	DBSA
Rick French	DBSA	Steve Clinch	DBSA
Jennifer Bould	DBSA	Heather Wingard	ASA
Rick French	DBSA		

3 APOLOGIES

Sandy Jensen Dragons Abreast Pt Lincoln

4 MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes from the previous Presidents Forum meeting held 16 June 2009 were approved as a true and accurate record.

John Holland said there had been no response from AusDBF to his email seeking status of the accreditation of those that undertook the accredited training some time back.

There had been plentiful discussion up this meeting re the proposed corporate event to be held in November which unfortunately had been cancelled. The Mildura Masters games were a financial success with over \$6000 in profit received.

5 BUSINESS ARISING

Nil.

6 GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 Catering for Race Season 2009/10

Black Dragons advised that their tender to supply the barbeque for the season was approved and to note that they would have to provide up to a maximum of 20 meals and drinks each race day to the volunteers.

6.2 Dragonboat protocol for West Lakes & Port River

John Holland advised that a policy had been ratified at the Board meeting earlier which would be circulated to clubs, Canoe SA and SARA advising that all paddling would be in a clockwise direction and on use of the new rowing course.

6.3 Around the Island category

John Holland advised that a question had been asked as to what the category was for the Around the Island race with the response given that it was 'Open'.

6.4 Clearance Procedure

Alison Miller said there was an issue with the clearance process when the receiving club was not necessarily aware that a paddler was transferring to them as they were not part of the clearance process.

It was noted that the clearance form had been duly amended.

7 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

➤ DBSA

- Clubs reminded that next season the early bird discount period will end at the end of 31 August 2009 and that all returning paddlers should be financial from 1 July each year.
- Clubs asked if interested in participating at the Wallaroo Boat show with Warriors, Adelaide Phoenix, ASA, SADA, Adelaide Sea Dragons and possibly Black Dragons all expressing interest. Races would be Premier Mixed.
- Chris Wood asked clubs to forward the name of their P&D delegate ASAP as the committee would need to focus on the Naracoorte Masters Games in 2011 along with other events.
- Pubs encouraged to source teams for the Port Pub Challenge event. Sweeps and Drummers would be required along with training sessions to assist the teams.
- Tentative dates of 17&18 Oct or 7*7 Nov for an accredited coaches course in Adelaide with the first aid course to be held after this date. Cost would be \$95 per DBSA participant less 50% subsidy.
- A \$25 fee (minimum 2 hours) would be paid this season for volunteers assisting in corporate events.
- Anyone towing a dragon boat needs to ensure that they have on them a copy of the exemption which has been posted to the website.
- Request received from Adelaide Phoenix for storage of a fridge which had been denied as there was insufficient room in the boatshed and all clubs are entitled to use the main bar fridge. A key would be provided upon request.
 - Discussions being held with organisers of the Hindmarsh Island Boating Extravaganza scheduled for 21-22 November with regards to assistance to coordinate event and possible receipt of some of the \$3000 sponsorship money.
 - The lock at the shed was being changed by the Council and there will be an instruction placed in the boatshed on how to report a faulty lock to the Council after hours.

➤ SUBSONIX

- Alison Miller asked what the process was for payment of the \$5 levy per paddler per race day. The response was that it is to be submitted with the nomination form.

➤ SADA

- Rick French asked about sweeps accreditation status and was advised that the accreditation was maintained if a sweep swept sufficient amount of races throughout the season.

➤ ASA

- Heather Wingard noted that DBSA was well represented at the Mildura Masters Games and did a successful job of coordinating them.
- Issue of poaching was raised and noted clubs should be ethical in their dealings with paddlers.

➤ High Performance Coach

- Steve Clinch said applications for the state coaches positions closed the following day and that this had delayed the commencement of state training.

8 NEXT MEETING

Next Presidents Forum meeting is to be advised.

The meeting closed at 8:57pm.