Minutes for the 125th Annual General Meeting of
Rowing Queensland Limited

11.00am, Sunday 17th May 2015
Toowong Rowing Club
37 Keith Street, St Lucia QLD

1. Welcome by the Chairman

The meeting was declared opened at 11.05am.
Rowing Queensland (RQ) Chairman, Nick Parr welcomed all to the meeting.

Attendance:

- N. Parr (RQ/UQBC)
- S. Wallace (RQ/Dragons)
- E. Brown (RQ/Toowong)
- A. McLean Williams (Toowong)
- C. Schauble (T&JCU)
- P. Zellow (Pine Rivers)
- P. Brown (Dragons)
- R. Alexander (B&GPS/RQ Life Member)
- R. Symonds (RQ CEO)
- D. Williams (Mullins Lawyers)
- D. Campagnolo (Innisfail)
- R. Ebert (RQ/Pine Rivers)
- S. Newcomb (Ipswich)
- R. Kennedy (Centenary)
- J. Cook (Commercial)
- G. Clarke (Tattersalls)
- C. Watters (Toowong)
- H. Forsyth (Dragons)
- P. Hicks (RQ SDM)

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from:

- S. Hinchy OAM (RQ Life Member)
- P. Dixon (Commercial)
- J. Rynne (RQ)
- I. Adamson (Dragons)
- A. Lang (RFRC)
- J. Mullins (Mullins Lawyers)
- N. L'Efevre (GPS Assoc)
- C. Cottrell (RQ Life Member)
- I. Smith (RQ)
- C. Morahan (Surfers Paradise)
- P. Wadsworth (Centenary)
- N. Hoare (Morris & Batzloff)
- B. Cowley (Dragons)

3. Confirmation of Club Representatives and Proxies

Club Representatives and Proxies were confirmed.
4. Confirmation of Minutes from 124th AGM held on Saturday 14 June 2014.

The RQ CEO identified an error on the minutes. Last paragraph on page 3 – reads “election of officers” should read “special resolution ballot”.

Amendment Motion: Replace sentence “Mr Connelly returned to announce the outcome of the election of officers. There were a total of 283 votes cast. (250 for and 33 against – 88% majority), therefore the Motion was successful.” with the sentence to read “Mr Connelly returned to announce the outcome of the Special Resolution ballot. There were a total of 283 votes cast. (250 for and 33 against – 88% majority), therefore the Motion was successful.”

Moved: P. Brown
Seconded: E. Brown
Carried

Motion: That the amended minutes are a true and accurate record of the 2014 Annual General Meeting.

Moved: S. Wallace
Seconded: E. Brown
Carried

5. Adoption of the Audited Financial Statements for the year ending 31 December 2014.

Rowing Queensland Ltd. is in a very solid financial position. As a brief summary of the accounts, we draw your attention to the following components of the audited financial report.

2014 financial accounts have been audited in line with the Act by Morris & Batzloff.

- Revenues from Ordinary Activities returned a $1,512 surplus in 2014.
- Income was $87,935 more than 2013 – The major items were an additional grant, carry over from the Jobs Plan program and equipment grant, Pan Pac Games and income from regattas
- Expenditure was $119,255 more than 2013 – Major item was the employment was higher due to commencement of the Sport Development Manager, this position was vacant for 6 months in 2013; and
- Administration slight increase in expenses. This was due to legal costs associated with an appeal regarding transition from Incorporated Association to Company and a member protection investigation matter.

No questions were raised from the floor.

Motion: That the audited report for the financial year ending 31 December 2014 be accepted.

Moved: J. Cook
Seconded: G. Clarke
Carried

6. Election of Board and other Office Bearers

The Chairman outlined one (1) Director position is up for election at this AGM. It was pleasing to receive three (3) nominations for the General Director position:

1. Emma Brown
2. Chris Cottrell
3. Sue Wallace
As an election is required, the Company Secretary advised that voting is now to take place. All representatives and proxies were provided with the ballot paper upon signing in for the AGM. Attendees were then asked to cast their votes and place them in the ballot box. The Chair appointed R. Alexander and P. Hicks are scrutineers. No concerns to these appointments were raised from the floor.

The scrutineers returned and provided the Chair with the outcome of the election of officers. There were a total of 30 votes cast. The Chairman announced the outcome of the ballot.

Elected Director – Ms E. Brown

7. General Business:

The Chair provided a vote of thanks to S. Wallace who has served three (3) years on the Board. Sue is a strong supporter of rowing in Queensland especially in the para rowing and the club development areas. The rowing community is appreciative of Sue’s service to the sport and the RQ Board.

Bob Alexander OAM was acknowledged by the meeting on his recent OAM award recently announced in the Australia Day awards. Well done Bob.

S. Newcomb wished to publicly thank the RQ staff for their assistance provided to him in setting up the Ipswich Rowing Club. One school will soon commence a land based rowing program until the club has a shed and equipment to work from. Any clubs wishing to get rid of any old boats were asked to consider Ipswich RC first.

The CEO announced that the Wide Bay RC based in Maryborough have recently affiliated with RQ and that communication has commenced with RQ in establishing a rowing club in Stanthorpe.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 11.50am

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Chairman                                      Company Secretary