

Minutes – Aquatic Sport Council Meeting

VENUE: Online – Microsoft Teams Meeting

DATE: Monday, 15 June 2020

1) Welcome, Attendance and Apologies

AS Delegates

Barry Warton (Altona LSC), Sam Hume (Anglesea SLSC), Samantha Cain (Barwon Heads/13th Beach SLSC), Alison Wyatt (Black Rock LSC), Jemma Harrison (Carrum SLSC), Nicole Tregllis (Chelsea Longbeach SLSC), David Rylance (Elwood LSC) Chloe Hardman (Fairhaven SLSC), Owen Smith (Hampton LSC), Ione McKenzie (Inverloch SLSC) Greg Schmidt (Mentone LSC), Jonothan Holt (Mordialloc LSC), Jo Pfister (Mornington LSC), Bruce Honey (Ocean Grove SLSC), Iris Cassell (Point Leo SLSC), Graeme Smith (Point Lonsdale SLSC), Paul Buchanan (Port Fairy SLSC), Stephen Blewett (Portsea SLSC), Whitney Michael (South Melbourne LSC), Martin McCorrison (Venus Bay SLSC), Max Collins (Waratah Beach SLSC), Martin O'Brien (Warrnambool SLSC), Sandra Madeley (Wonthaggi LSC),

AS Executive

Rachael Rylance (Director - Aquatic Sports), Peter van Deuren (Council Chair), Tamara Brawn (Council Representative), Leonie Newey (Junior Referee), Sonia Kinsey (Sports Development Coordinator), Joanne Teagle (Pool Panel Coordinator), Dinah Boswell (Lifesaving Events Coordinator), Bruce Sampson (Board & Ski Representative), Maurice McCutcheon (Beach Representative), Natalie Hood (Swim Representative), Barry Hill (Surf Boat Representative – VSRL)

Staff

Kate Simpson (AS General Manager), Kirsty Clark (Manager), Sharon Rich (Development Support Officer), Nicholas Metcalfe (Senior Event Coordinator), Emma Atkins (People General Manager), Mevan Jayawardena (Chief Operating Officer)

Others

Sai Dale (Anglesea SLSC), Judy Silom (Chelsea Longbeach LSC), Neil Morarty (Lorne SLSC), Aaron Hamstead (Mentone LSC), Chris Jameson Trainor (Waratah Beach SLSC), Jack Kennedy (Waratah Beach SLSC), Hoffman (Warrnambool SLSC)

Apologies

Harry Hannas (Chief Referee)

2) Welcome – Peter van Deuren (Chair)

- i. P. van Deuren welcomed everyone to the Aquatic Sport Council Meeting and provided a short introduction to the executive. Noted this is the first online council meeting for Aquatic Sports and requested any further apologies.
- ii. Confirmation of the minutes from the last Council meeting held on Monday, 17 February 2020
Moved – Max Collins



Change Requested – lone McKenzie from Inverloch SLSC requested that the minutes be updated to note her feedback that it was a child safety issue, in relation to the ratios of officials required for small clubs (clubs need to ensure that they have enough coverage with their volunteers at carnivals). There were no concerns noted in relation to this change, the minutes will be updated accordingly.

Seconded – lone McKenzie (with the change included)
Carried.

3) Agenda Item 1 – COVID-19 (Emma Atkins)

- a. Emma Atkins provided an update around COVID-19 and the processes LSV has in place and has been following. As of yesterday, we have moved from “stay at home” to “stay safe”. Emma acknowledged the new restrictions that were released yesterday and will be further discussed by Kate Simpson.

4) Agenda Item 2 – Return to Play / LSV 2.0 Update (Kate Simpson)

- a. Kate Simpson provided details of how it will look if LSV returns to sport this summer. KS noted that before sport, first and foremost we are an emergency service. Weekly teleconferences with Sport & Recreation Victoria, on how LSV/Sports will navigate return to play in 2020. As of yesterday, the Government had announced the return to sport, KS noted that LSV receives the information the same time as everyone else. SRV are currently seeking further clarifications and will provide further details.

It is requested that clubs follow the LSV Activity Guide, and if returning to sport it must be cleared by the Club prior. Aquatic Sport will work closely with Lifesaving Operations and SRV to ensure a safe return to play.

5) Agenda Item 3 – 2020/21 Season Planning & Calendar/s (Rachael Rylance)

- a. Rachael Rylance provided updates on how the LSV Sport Team are working on the calendar, with various scenarios the process that needs to be followed. RR noted that these plans are all tentative and may change depending on any updated restrictions set by the government.

6) Agenda Item 4 – 2021 Junior State Championships (Leonie Newey)

- a. Leonie Newey presented the overview of the proposal. Sam from Anglesea questioned if the beach events or board rescue could be run the Sunday prior. Leonie and Peter advised that the ASE had considered the option of running some events on a different weekend, but this was not one of the recommendations at this time.

Paper 1 – Format of the Junior State Championships

The ASC delegates were asked to vote in favour or against the recommendation of the ASE to continue with the same 2.5 day format as 2020 i.e. Saturday, Sunday and Monday

	Count
In Favour	22
Not in Favour	0

Motion Carried

Paper 2 – Restrictions/Qualifiers for events

The ASC delegates were asked to vote in favour or against the recommendation of the ASE to continue with the same process as 2020 i.e. restricted entries by club for certain events.

	Count
In Favour	17
Not in Favour	6

Motion Carried



7) Agenda Item 5 – Club Requirements (Sharon Rich)

- a. Sharon Rich provided feedback on the season just been in relation to how the requirements worked. SR noted that the ASE called for feedback on the papers from clubs which was provided by a couple of clubs,

Proposal 1 – Officials Ratios at Junior Carnivals

The ASC delegates were asked to vote in favour or against the recommendation of the ASE to keep the existing 2019/20 Junior Official ratios for the coming season.

	Count
In Favour	18
Not in Favour	4

Motion carried

Youth/Senior Carnivals struggled for meeting requirements in the 19/20 season. Feedback from clubs stated that Column C would be difficult for clubs to meet. No feedback before vote.

Proposal 2 – Officials Ratios at Youth/Senior Carnivals

The ASC delegates were asked to vote in favour or against the recommendation of the ASE to accept the proposed new ratios for the coming season.

	Count
In Favour	5
Not in Favour	14

As this motion was defeated, PVD asked for the ASC delegates to vote in favour or against the second option, which was to keep the ratios as they were for the 2019/20 season for Youth/Senior Carnivals.

	Count
In Favour	21
Not in Favour	0

Proposal 3 - Water Safety Requirements

Sharon noted that we are proposing a change to reduce the ratios required for Water Safety, based on the numbers we require for each shift – these are reflected in Colum B. Feedback provided was that at Youth/Senior States no club water safety will be required (other than power craft shifts), as competitors must have their SRC or Bronze Medallion. It will still be a requirement for clubs at all other Youth/Senior Carnivals.

Jo Pfister from Mornington questioned the new ratios for Junior and why it has changed. SR provided feedback onto why this was selected. RR noted that there is also an IRB assigned to each water area, which count as two towards the ratio of water safety to participants.

The ASC delegates were asked to vote in favour or against the recommendation of the ASE to accept the proposed Junior and Youth/Senior Water Safety Ratios for the coming season.

	Junior WS Count	Y/S WS Count
In Favour	19	21
Not In Favour	2	0

Motion carried.

Proposal 4 - Powercraft Rosters

The ASC delegates were asked to vote in favour or against the recommendation of the ASE to keep the same existing rostering process as of 19/20 for the coming season. Any comments, no comments provided by clubs.



	Count
In Favour	23
Not In Favour	0

Motion Carried.

Proposal 5 - Set Up/Pack Up Rosters

SR noted that this has not been successful in the past. We are now proposing to revert to a roster, which will allow clubs to roster prior to carnivals. Any Comments?

South Melbourne – Would it be one day for both set up & pack up? Or would it be separated?

Sharon Rich – We would have to investigate this prior to the carnival season. It may be similar to the IRB roster where a club may be rostered closer to their home club and the size of clubs will also determine this.

Venus Bay – With smaller clubs, it would be impossible to supply three people.

Sharon Rich – it would need to be looked into and worked through.

Portsea – Can this be carnival section specific (i.e boats)?

Sharon Rich – It can be looked into.

The ASC delegates were asked to vote in favour or against the recommendation of the ASE to revert to a roster system for Carnival set up and pack down.

	Count
In Favour	21
Not In Favour	2

Motion carried.

Process of Official Appointments and Sanctions

Rachael Rylance provided an overview of the process that will be used for nominating officials, water safety, powercraft duties and set up and pack up for the coming season. This will be done via the SportApp when clubs complete their entries, rather than via the Google spreadsheets., RR reminded clubs that it is important to meet their requirements and follow the processes.

RR also spoke about the penalties that would be applied if clubs failed to meet their requirements. Penalties for not meeting the Officials rations will be \$300 per official up to a maximum of \$1200, which will be invoiced to the club.

In the case of water safety, power craft and set up/pack up which are not supplied, clubs will be sent to disciplinary committee and may not be able to compete until these requirements are met. These processes will be documented in the Team Manager Handbooks for the 2020/21 season.

8) Agenda Item 6 – Wetsuit Policy (Natalie Hood)

- a. Natalie Hood provided an update around the use of wetsuits at LSV Carnivals. There will be no change to the Youth/Senior Carnivals. For Junior Carnivals, the change throughout last season was that athletes at all Junior Carnivals were permitted to wear wetsuits due to the conditions.

The ASC delegates were asked to vote in favour or against the recommendation of the ASE to permit wetsuits to be worn at all Junior Carnivals, including the Victorian State Championships, in all age groups and events. Wetsuit specifications will be in line with the SLSA SSM 36th edition,

	Count
In Favour	20
Not In Favour	3

Motion carried

9) Agenda Item 7 – Sport Review Update (Kirsty Clark)

- a. Kirsty Clark provided a quick update on the year two outcomes. A full report will be provided in the next month or two. Upgrade in technology will include updating apps. SportApp will move to Version Two with Parent Entry Availability, Marshalling App was trialled at 5 carnivals and will be



implemented in the upcoming season. Rostering App is planned to be available for replacement of google sheets.

10) Agenda Item 8 – LSV Strategic Plan (Rachael Rylance)

- a. Rachael Rylance, provided a quick update about the LSV Strategic Plan noting the current version ends in 2020. The LSV Board will seek feedback from all LSV councils. The first draft will be released in Sep 2020 and ready for release in Oct 2020. Any questions regarding the plan, or feedback and input that anyone would like to submit, please send this through to the Sport Team. Any comments? No comments provided.

11) Ideas Exchange/Open Forum

a. **Member Questions**

- i. Stephen Blewett – it appears there's an issue with parking boats on the road in Bayside City Council. Councils are fining boat trailers for being parked for over an hour.
PVD – we will take this on board and investigate.
- ii. Samantha Cain - Should we "LSV" be concerned in regard to SLSA wanting to run an IRB Aussies in sept. Noted concerns for the health and safety of our members during the coldest time of the year?
KC – This is being discussed at the Sport Managers meeting for SLSA, if anyone has feedback please send through.

Meeting Close at 8:57pm

Meeting calendar:

- 8th August – AGM (Voting for Half of Aquatic Sport Executive Positions)

