

Canberra District Rugby League Referees Association

**2008 Annual General Meeting
5 February 2009 - The Sports Club, Kaleen**

Minutes

Meeting Opened: _____

Attendance: Chris Nightingale, David Adams, James Gould, Mark Ryan, Katherine Nightingale, Simon Smith, Peter Castle, Bill Gregory, Ray Whitehead, Austin Finley, Adam Lehoczky, Neville Harradine, Paul Flynn, Brenton Savona, Geoff Milczuk, Noel Bissett, Debora Kanak, Chris Cahill, Julie Hanson, Rob Carmody

20 Members 19 Eligible for Voting

Apologies: Dave Cook, Jim Mahoney, Matt Hall, Mick Forster, Rod Eade, Doug Keen, Jason Tennant, Daniel Hanson, Nick Ryder

R Moore, M Laverty, P Henderson, N Hill - Graded Training.

1. Welcome to Guests

Dave Adams welcomed Frank Leonard, Executive Officer NSWRLRA to the meeting and invited him to address the meeting prior to General Business.

2. Call for final Nominations for Appointed Positions

Dave Adams called for any further nominations for the Appointed Positions. None were received.

3. Alcohol Motion

A motion was carried that alcohol could be consumed during the AGM.

Moved - Neville Harradine Seconded - Ray Whitehead Carried

4. Apologies - apologies were noted

5. Minutes of the 2007 Annual General Meeting

The Minutes were available to members. There were no Questions arising. Minutes accepted.

Moved - Neville Harradine Seconded - Mark Ryan Carried

6. Correspondence

A list of Correspondence was available to members. Questions arising.

002 2009 Ray Whitehead requested that it be noted the email advising the passing away of Les Matthews, former Secretary NSWRLRA was a significant event due to his regular contact with this Association.

005 2009 Bill Gregory indicated that he wished to be considered to attend a Level 1 Referees Coaching Course.
Correspondence accepted.

Moved - Neville Harradine Seconded - Austin Finley Carried

7. Financial Statement and Auditors Report

- Chris Nightingale tabled the financial statements for period from 1 January to 31 December 2008 on behalf of Kylie O'Neill.

Simon Smith sought clarification as to why there were 2 types of Gear on Hand listed. Explained Communication Gear was radios, headsets etc for sale to other bodies and Clothing was our Association gear.

- The Auditors Report was also tabled by Adam Lehoczky. There were no Questions arising.

Moved - Rob Carmody Seconded - Simon Smith Carried

8. Annual Report

- The 2008 Annual Report was tabled to members with Board members summarising their respective contributions. Questions arising.
- President Dave Adams, Secretary Chris Nightingale, Director of Referees Noel Bissett, Deputy Director of Referees Neville Harradine and Accreditation Coordinator Rob Carmody all summarized their individual reports. All reports were accepted. No questions arising.

Moved - Austin Finley Seconded - Paul Flynn Carried

9. Honoraria

The following amounts were agreed to in 2008 for the 2007 season. Treasurers recommendation is that they remain the same.

President: \$70	CRJRL Delegate: \$60
Secretary: \$280	Assistant Secretary (Admin): \$140
Treasurer: \$280	Director Referees: \$140
Vice President: \$70	Deputy Director Referees: \$140
Assistant Secretary (On-field): \$390	Accreditation Coordinator: \$140

Simon Smith asked whether an increase is possible. No further discussion took place. Peter Castle moved that the same amounts be paid.

Moved - Peter Castle Seconded - Bill Gregory Carried

10. Resolution to Change Order of Business that Special Resolutions precede Elections

Resolution that the Order of Business be changed so that Special Resolutions be voted upon prior to Elections.

Moved: Chris Nightingale Seconded: Dave Adams Carried

11. Special resolutions

The following special resolutions Moved by Chris Nightingale & Seconded by Robert Moore were voted upon :

Objects and rules:

Resolution 1

Delete section 3 (c) and replace with the sub-section below so that it now reads.

(c) *To maintain affiliation with the CDRL, CRJRL, NSWRLRA, ARLRA and other organisations that provide benefit to the Association;*

Chris Nightingale spoke for the motion. There were no speakers against the motion. David Adams spoke for the motion. The motion was put to members.

Voting For: 19 Against: 0 Carried

Resolution 2

1. Where the word "**President**" appears - change this to "**Chairman**";
2. Where the word "**Secretary**" appears - change this to "**Executive Officer**";
3. Where the word "**Treasurer**" appears - change this to "**Director, Finance**";
4. Where the words "**Vice President**" appears - change to "**Director, Marketing and Member Services**";
5. Where the words "**Assistant Secretary (Admin)**" appears change to "**Director, Executive Support**";
6. Where the words "**Assistant Secretary (On Field Management)**" appears - change to "**Director, Operations**";
7. Where the words "**Accreditation Coordinator**" appears - change to "**Director, Recruitment and Retention**".

Chris Nightingale spoke for the motion. There were no speakers against the motion. David Adams spoke for the motion. The motion was put to members.

Voting For: 19 Against: 0 Carried

12. Election of Board Members

Elected Positions. Nominations closed on 29 January 2009. One nomination for each position was received. Under the Objects & Rules, those members are elected to the CDRLRA Board for 2009:

- **Chairman** - David Adams
- **Executive Officer** - Chris Nightingale
- **Director, Finance** - Julie Hanson
- **Director, Marketing and Member Services** - Peter Castle
- **Director, Executive Support** - Robert Moore
- **Member CRJRL Board** - Chris Nightingale

Nomination Forms for the Appointed Positions were accepted up to the commencement of the AGM. Summary of Nomination forms received:-

- **Director Referees** - None
- **Deputy Director Referees** - Neville Harradine
- **Director Operations** - Ray Whitehead and Mark Ryan
- **Director, Recruitment and Retention** - Rob Carmody

Appointments to be dealt with at the conclusion of the AGM.

NSWRLRA delegate

Nominations were called for the NSWRLRA Delegate position.

Noel Bissett appointed as NSWRLRA delegate for 2009.

Moved: Chris Nightingale Seconded: Bill Gregory Carried

Frank Leonard then addressed the meeting.

- Apologies from Tony Danks & Doug Keen
- The funeral of Les McIntyre had over 1,400 signatures in the book with quite a number being couples.
- Match Day Assessors for Junior Reps are Peter Castle & Glyn Henderson
- Regional Referees Coach - Noel Bissett
- Junior Rep Squad - Jo West, Tyson Flynn, James Gould. Luke Barrow, Nathan Gauci were thanked for their participation
- NRL funding has been received
- NSWRLRA are hosting a Conference on 6/7/8 March for all Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers, Coaching Directors at Narrabeen.
- Some possible rule changes in 2009 are
 - Pushing in Mini/Mod will not be tolerated
 - Held up in goal will be same rule as International
 - Penalty kicks to be taken 10m in instead of 20m.
 - Scrums - if 6 players rush to form a scrum, time off called. If they break up to reform, time restarts. NSWRLRA have questioned this as

coaches may ask even small players to rush in to be part of the 6 and this could be dangerous.

- Future meeting of the NSWRLRA could be held at Homebush rather than NSW Leagues Club.
- First NSWRLRA meeting is 1st Wed in March
- CRLRA have their seminar on weekend 7/8 February

13. General business

- **Training** - Rob Moore requested that members be reminded about training and that new equipment had been purchased to provide variety.
- **Pre-season seminar** - Chris Nightingale advised that a pre-season seminar would take place with details to be advised in the coming weeks.
- **Gear** - Chris Nightingale advised that current uniform will continue for 2009 and that the Association may look to be changed for 2010 season.
- **CRLRA** - Chris Nightingale advised that CRL had approached CRJRL re our Association having dual affiliation with NSWRLRA and CRLRA and that despite CRJRL requesting further information from CRLRA on what benefits this would bring to our Association, nothing had been received.
- **Peter Castle** - requested that it be recorded in the minutes an acknowledgement as to the work put into the Association by Noel Bissett.
- **Peter Castle** - advised that a number of members have suggested that our Association organise a charity weekend whereby we wear clothing & donate referees fees for breast & prostate cancer. This is to be taken on by the Board.

Meeting Closed: 1940 hrs

14. Elected Board Members meeting

The Elected Board Members met to consider the Nominations for the Appointed Positions. Discussion were held with each of the applicants and the following decisions were made.

- **Director Referees** - Vacant
- **Deputy Director Referees** - Neville Harradine
- **Director Operations** - Ray Whitehead. Mark Ryan is to take on the role of Schools Coordinator and assist on Junior Appointments Board.
- **Director, Recruitment and Retention** - Rob Carmody