

MINUTES OF THE SHOALHAVEN SPORTS BOARD

Meeting Date: Wednesday, 2 June 2021
Location: Jervis Bay Rooms, City Administrative Centre, Bridge Road, Nowra
Time: 5.03pm

The following members were present:

Mr David Goodman – Chairperson
Clr Patricia White – left at 6.12pm
Clr Mark Kitchener – arrived at 5.06pm
Mr Craig Howsan
Ms Elizabeth Tooley
Mr Roger Walker
Mr Craig Howsan
Dr Phill Newlyn
Ms Susan Edwards – Strategic Asset Planner

Others present:

Ms Jane Lewis – Director City Lifestyles
Ms Jess Richardson – Community Capacity Builder

Apologies / Leave of Absence

An apology was received from Martin Aicken, Kristina PejkoVIC and Keith Wallace.

Confirmation of the Minutes

RESOLVED (Clr White / Roger Walker)

That the Minutes of the Shoalhaven Sports Board held on Wednesday 10 March 2021 be confirmed.

CARRIED

Declarations of Interest

Nil

REPORTS

SB21.2 Election of Chairperson - 2021 - 2023

HPERM Ref: D21/2476

David Goodman stepped down from the Role as Chairperson, Jane Lewis – Director City Lifestyles assumed the Chair and called for nominations for Chairperson.

Clr White and Phill Newlyn nominated David Goodman as Chairperson. David Goodman accepted the nomination.

Jane Lewis called for further nominations.

No further nominations were received.

Jane Lewis declared David Goodman Chairperson for the period until June 2023.

Recommendation (Item to be determined under delegated authority)

That the Shoalhaven Sports Board elect (*insert name*) as Chairperson for a two-year term in accordance with the Shoalhaven Sports Board Terms of Reference.

RESOLVED (Clr White / Craig Howsan)

That the Shoalhaven Sports Board elect David Goodman as Chairperson for a two-year term in accordance with the Shoalhaven Sports Board Terms of Reference.

CARRIED

SB21.3 Membership - Indigenous Sporting Group & Accessible Sporting Experience

HPERM Ref:
D21/111481

Note: Clr Kitchener arrived at 5.06pm

Recommendation

That the Sports Board:

1. Endorse the following nominees to the Sports Board membership
 - a. Tameka Gogerly (new member)
 - b. Lucy Burgmann (new member)
 - c. Liz Tooley (existing member)
 - d. Dr Phill Newlyn (existing member)
2. Council write to all nominees thanking them for their interest
3. Council write to the successful applicants, congratulating them, and sending the Sports Board Terms of Reference, Strategic Plan and upcoming meeting dates.

RECOMMENDATION (David Goodman / Craig Howsan)

That the Sports Board:

1. Endorse the following nominees to the Sports Board membership
 - a. Tameka Gogerly (new member)
 - b. Lucy Burgmann (new member)
 - c. Liz Tooley (existing member)
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CARRIED

SB21.4 Shoalhaven Sports Board - Current Projects Update

**HPERM Ref:
D21/179598**

The Board discussed the Projects table.

Note: Staff will assist David Goodman with drafting a Media Release regarding the funds spent on Sporting Fields.

Recommendation (Item to be determined under delegated authority)

That Shoalhaven Sports Board accept the Current Projects Update report for information.

RESOLVED (Clr White / David Goodman)

That:

1. The Shoalhaven Sports Board accept the Current Projects Update report for information.
2. Staff will assist David Goodman with drafting a Media Release regarding the funds spent on Sporting Fields.

CARRIED

GENERAL BUSINESS

SB21.5 Additional Item - Women in Sport - Stronger Country Connections Fund

Jess Richardson – Community Capacity Builder addressed the meeting in relation to Women in Sport and the Stronger Country Communities Fund. The following comments were made:

The Community Connection Team at Shoalhaven City Council are considering opportunities to increase the participation of women in sport in the Shoalhaven. Opportunities will be based on strength-based approaches and will address the varied barriers women in the community face in participating in sport and active recreation in the community.

A girl's or woman's relationship with physical activity and sport is very complex and is based upon a web of personal, social and environmental influences which change with life stages. Examples of barriers women face include the following:

- Practical Barriers: lack of time and childcare, lack of money, lack of transport, personal safety, funding, access to facilities
- Personal Barriers: body image, clothing and equipment, lack of self-confidence, parental and adult influence, feeling a disconnect after leaving school, loss of 'cool factor', guilt in taking time to self and leaving young children in care, and also women feel intimidated and/or embarrassed to exercise in public because of a fear of judgement around their appearance, ability and priorities
- Social and Cultural Barriers: the male dominated culture of sport, attitudes and prejudices about sexuality, attitudes and prejudices about disability, attitudes and prejudices about ethnicity, sexual harassment and abuse, female invisibility – media representations and lack of role models in sport

In addressing these barriers the community connections team will look at programming that involves the following:

- Engagement activities – including come and try clinics
- Inclusion and cultural awareness workshops
- Women's leadership in sport
- Healthy relationships and initiatives that address attitudes towards women in the community
- Healthy living and public health initiatives
- Celebrating women's achievements
- Wellbeing and Self Confidence programs
- Mentoring for Indigenous young people and young people with a disability

The Shoalhaven City Council has previously facilitated a women in sport campaign in 2013 which included come and try days. The Council has also identified a number of infrastructure activities to respond to the need for safe spaces for women to participate in sport and active recreation in the community.

Depending on the outcome of the infrastructure proposals will affect the capacity for the Community Connections team to deliver on the above soft programming. However, the Community Connections team are looking for the Committee's support in general on identifying opportunities to increase the participation of women in sport in the Shoalhaven and if Shoalhaven City Council are able to put forward a grant application Council would ask for the Committee to provide a letter of support.

RESOLVED (Clr White / David Goodman)

That the Shoalhaven Sports Board:

1. Endorse the Draft Community Connections Women in Sport Activation proposal
2. Provide any letters of support for any Grant Applications including, but not limited to, Stronger Country Communities Fund;
3. Participate and assist with the delivery of the program.

CARRIED

SB21.6 Additional Item - Workshop - Shoalhaven Sports Board - Mission Statement and Values - Achievements and Direction

The Board recently received a copy of the Mission Statement for information.

It was suggested that a Workshop be held following the appointment of the new members and the Workshop be held before or after the next meeting.

The Workshop will cover the Mission Statement and address the strategic direction of the Board. The Workshop should also include information on setting up a Communications Plan.

Note: Clr White left at 6.12pm

The Board held a discussion in relation to usage of facilities and the statistics of participants and how that data is obtained.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded, the time being 6.26pm.

Mr David Goodman
CHAIRPERSON