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SBNZ 2020 AGM Draft Minutes

Date: 19.30pm, June 21 2021

Location: Via Zoom

19:31 - GENERAL MEETING OPENS

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

2. ROLL CALL, APOLOGIES

12 in attendance:

Matt Markland, Shane Kingsbeer, Aaron Martin, Justin Dyer, Damien, Louis Newman, Paul Newman, Ollly Burke, John McFarlane, Niwa Shewry, Lydia Clark, Anna Burgess, Von Griffin, Daniel Millar, Tom Mitchell, Aaron Martin, Shelley Diewald, Ollly Burke, James Tuckey, Mason Lockyear, Anna Burgess

- Chris Curran, David Read (Facilitator), Sonia Griffin, introduced themselves as members of the committee
- Apologies received from Paul Gunn (committee)
- Quorum of 11 members is reached - 13 members present (underlined above).

3. APPROVAL OF DRAFT MINUTES GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2020

- CC read and approved minutes from the AGM Minutes General Assembly 2020
 - Seconded by David Read

4. 2019 ANNUAL REPORT AND AUDITED FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

1. President's Report.

- Chris Curran delivered the following report that is attached below
- David Read moved that this report be accepted
 - Report Accepted by Sonia Griffin

2. Pathways Report.

- Pathways Report is included in Presidents Report below

c. Financial Report

- Chris Curran delivered and reviewed the 2020-2021 financial year
- Accounts ending 31 March 2021 have been submitted with the Companies Office

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- The SBNZ Committee worked with Paul Burns from iFigure Consultants and Accountancy services, Bay of Plenty to produce and review these financial reports, as per the Society rules.

5. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

a. Applicant Nominations received by Skateboarding New Zealand

- One nomination received:
 - Shane Kingsbeer (Gisborne)
- Chris Curran moves the following committee be accepted:
 - Shane Kingsbeer
- Chris Curran introduced a structure for male/female representative for 2021 onto committee:
 - Park
 - Street
 - Downhill
 - Adaptive

6. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

- Chris Curran proposed that the Financial Review for next year be undertaken by Paul Burns and iFigure
 - Motion passed unanimously.

7. SKATEBOARDING NEW ZEALAND INCORPORATED CONSTITUTION CHANGES

- Sonia Griffin review the changes proposed:
 - *Two changes proposed due to recommendations from our Accountant to entitle Skateboarding NZ to income tax exemption based upon our non-profit status, however, the IRD require a couple of changes to our rules (rules attached document 160707) to allow this to occur. The changes are effectively to ring-fence any undue influence on decisions made by the society and then to lock those rules into the society. This needs to be done to ensure the society's rules cannot be changed (as this would then affect our tax exempt status).*
- **Clause change 1 to Clause 16.0**
 - **Current clause: 16.0 Use of Money and Other Assets**
 - § 16.1 The Society may only Use Money and Other Assets if:
 - a. It is for the purpose of the Society;
 - b. It is not for the sole personal or individual benefit of any Member; and

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- c. That use has been approved by either the Committee or by majority vote of the Society
 - o **Proposed change to 16.1 with the addition of 16.1 (d) and (3) as follows:**
 - d. No member of the organisation or any person associated with a member, shall participate in or materially influence any decision made by the organisation, in respect of the payment to or on behalf of that member or associated person of any income, benefit or advantage whatsoever.
 - e. Any such income shall be reasonable and relative to that which would be paid in an arms-length transaction (being open market value).
- **Clause change 2:**
 - o **Current clause - 24.0 Altering the Rules:**
 - 24.1 The Society may alter or replace these Rules at a Society Meeting by a resolution passed by two-thirds majority of those Members present and voting.
 - 24.2 Any proposed motion to amend or replace these Rules shall, unless advanced by the Committee pursuant to clause 22.2, be signed by at least 50% of eligible Members and given in writing to the Secretary at least 14 days before the Society Meeting at which the motion is to be considered, and accompanied by a written explanation of the reasons for the proposal.
 - 24.3 At least 7 days before the General Meeting at which any Rule change is to be considered the Secretary shall give to all Members written notice of the proposed motion, the reasons for the proposal, and any recommendations the Committee has.
 - 24.4 When a Rule change is approved by a General Meeting no Rule change shall take effect until the Secretary has filed the changes with the Registrar of Incorporated Societies.
 - **Proposed changed to clause 24 with the addition of clause 24.5 and 24.6**
 - o Addition of 24.5 and 24.6 as follows:
 - 24.5 No addition to or alteration of the aims, personal benefit clause or the winding up clause shall be made which affect the tax exempt status/non-profit body status.
 - 24.6 The provisions and effect of this clause shall not be removed from this document and shall be included and implied into any document replacing this document.

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- David Read/Chris Curran move that the changes above be approved.
 - Motion passed by unanimously

9. GENERAL BUSINESS

- Development camps – Chris Curran introduced that Development Camps would be held for both elite and development riders
- Sonia Griffin gave an overview of how the camp will be conducted including selection and criteria
- The impact of Covid on competitions and development camps in 2020 was significant
- Discussion around inter-regional support, Skateboarding NZ will consider how to approach this for 2021

10. AGM CLOSED

Chris Curran closed the meeting at 9pm

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This year will be one for the history books, international competitions being cancelled, postponed national competitions and lockdowns. With the committee setup to work remotely the team pushed ahead with planning for the year and developing the strategy for Skateboarding NZ.

This report is covering activity between 1st april 2020 - 31March 2021.

There are activities that will be omitted from this report that work has started post ast April 2021 i.e NZOC Giant Skateboard, NZOC Development camps x 2.

GOVERNANCE & OPERATIONS

To start I would like to thank all those who have been involved with Skateboarding New Zealand. At the last AGM Ramon Thackwell stood down but remained a useful point of contact, thank you for your commitment to the committee and Skateboarding NZ. Charese Henare also stood down but remained as acting treasurer until the position could be filled (temporarily, by myself), thank you Charese for your continued support and sorry we couldn't fill your position any faster!

The 2020 AGM also saw the Skateboarding NZ committee expand with the additions of Sonia Griffin into Secretary, David Read, Paul Gunn, Josh Horn & Steve Hodges. As busy as life can be, Steve & Josh both stepped down to focus on personal endeavors, thank you for the time you invested. Che Ataria stepped into a position with the committee.

There have been a lot of 'firsts' this year, securing our financial position by paying historical taxes, securing National Activities Funding from the NZOC/IOC for a development camp, and our first strategy session with the committee members in Wellington.

The outcomes of our strategy session have seen our focus refined to 5 key areas, Governance & Operations, Participation, Pathways, Well-Being & High Performance. This allows the team to focus on our priorities and help with delivery. We even got to pop down to Te Papa to check out the exhibition: Skate! Explore skate culture in Aotearoa.

A lot of work has been focused towards partnerships with Sport New Zealand, High Performance Sport New Zealand & the New Zealand Olympic Committee.

We are working with councils to help them understand the requirements for safe and functional skateparks, as well as what is required to build the sport. These communications are still in early phases,

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but we hope to make a difference to long term plan submissions with councils targeting the need for Olympic level facilities and quality skatepark builds.

WHAI WĀHITANGA PARTICIPATION

Skateboarding has experienced massive growth in the community this year, with diverse groups popping up all over NZ, from Surley Skate in Gisborne, Aroha Skate in Auckland, Waa Hine Skate, Girls Skate Zine, etc to name a few. The numbers from Young Gun Skate School (hundreds of kids a week) are huge and show that skateboarding is becoming more accepted by parents and as a 'mainstream' sport.

Skateboardings inclusion in the Olympics was controversial for some, but regardless, it has helped to put the spotlight on the sport and grow participation numbers. Sonia Griffin has taken over the role of Equity & Diversity manager, working with Lydia Clark (Da Roll) to make equity & diversity are factored into work by the committee.

Funding opportunities have been possible via the Tu Manawa fund from Sport NZ, which has allowed not for profit groups and skate schools delivering programs in their communities. I've seen On Board Skate School delivering skateboards, ramps and rail into schools in the lower north island, and my own business Rad Skate School able to provide free drop-in sessions throughout Otago. The intention of the Tu Manawa fund was to remove the barriers that would prevent participation of unstructured sports, by funding equipment, coaches and events. Thanks Sport NZ for designing a fund that works so well with skateboarding and providing opportunity to so many. It's rad to see so many kids having fun on skateboards.

NGĀ ARA TIKA.

PATHWAYS

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Skateboarding NZ provided media support for the Mangawhai Bowl Jam, Verticus & Bowlzilla, thereby allowing us to fulfill our contract with NZSC & Sky. There were over 15917 total viewers for these competitions. We have learned some lessons along the way and hope to continue providing livestreams and media coverage. This has been a great relationship so far and we are keen to see what the future holds.

The committee has been working to define how Skateboarding NZ can support the community with regard to events. We have supported competitions with insurance cover, media support and judging. We are looking into ways to standardise event judging and what sanctioning an event entails.

In November, we were able to run our first development camp, this was originally scheduled pre-lockdown and fortunately we found some space to run the camp over a long weekend. A massive thanks to Sonz for all of the hard graft in getting this camp organised at such short notice, it was no small feat!

The camp was funded by the IOC to develop some of NZ's best skateboarders and nurture emerging talent. Coaching was provided by Dave Crabb, Andrew Morrison, Che Ataria & Chris Wood. There was a focus on key areas such as Strength & Conditioning, Mental Skills, Aerial Awareness, Media training, Nutrition and Legal expectations. Weather played a factor in the weekend with a storm hitting Auckland but nevertheless it was still a great and beneficial weekend with plenty of skating!

HAUORA.

WELL-BEING

Well-being is at the forefront of every decision we make and is a driving force for a lot of what we do. In the midst of a global pandemic we have had to make tough decisions to cancel events and travel to keep our people safe.

I believe that skateboarding increases well-being, mentally and physically, which is why the increasing participation numbers are so positive. We are developing a well-being strategy to outline exactly how we can support our athletes and the community.

We are basing our well-being value on Te whare tapa whā which has 4 key areas of well-being.

- taha tinana (physical well-being)
- taha hinengaro (mental well-being)
- taha wairua (spiritual well-being)
- taha whānau (family well-being).

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During our strategy session we were working to communicate how we can keep people healthy while also enjoying themselves, and why we skateboard and what it means to us. Once we reviewed Te whare tapa whā the connection between skateboarding and well-being aligned in many ways.

TOA RANGATIRATANGA.

HIGH PERFORMANCE

The committee has been working to build a partnership with HPSNZ. I was invited to be a part of the Snow Sports High Performance review, which provided some great insights into their HP program. With the announcement of aspirational funding there's the opportunity for a similar model to be developed and implemented.

With most of the Olympic qualification events cancelled for park & street due to border closures, the ability to participate in international competitions was limited. Announcements of competitions were supposed to be 60 days prior to the competition, this was rarely met by World Skate and gave us inadequate time to organise and prepare for international travel mid pandemic.

So, with COVID so heavily disrupting our Tokyo ambitions, we have set our sights on the Paris 2024 Olympic games and what needs to be done for qualification for the future. We are now better positioned to provide support to our athletes and help them achieve their goals. But it's not just all about the Olympics. Skateboarding NZ hopes to support any kiwi athletes looking to attend other major events such as the Vans Park Series, Street League and other events once they return with mana in the skateboarding community.

The giant elephant (Skateboard) in the room

As the reporting year drew to a close, the NZOC involved Skateboarding NZ their 100 days to Tokyo event, building the world's largest skateboard to go on a roadshow around New Zealand over 42 days. The work by Bowman Hansen & Matt Markland has been momentous, visiting schools each day, loading and unloading the skateboard from a trailer for the community to see.

I was a part of the naming committee with Barbra Kendall & some potential Olympians, Eke Tahī, meaning 'Ride as One' the board has been a great way to highlight skateboarding is here to stay, we are hoping to work with some of the partnerships from the activity going forward.

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