

# Branch Council Meeting

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NEW SOUTH WALES



<b>Meeting:</b> Branch Council Meeting	<b>Date:</b> 26 April 2016
<b>Venue:</b> Surf House, 64 Smith Street, Wollongong	<b>Start Time:</b> 7.15 pm <b>Finish Time:</b> 8.10 pm

## MINUTES

### 1. ATTENDEES

President	--
Deputy President	Peter Evert (Chairperson)
Director of Education	--
Director of Finance	Maria Caldwell
Director of Surf Sports	--
Director of Member Services	--
Director of Life Saving	--
President's Advisor	Bill Seay
Administration Assistant	Amy Vella
Office Manager	Maria Sewell
Wollongong City	David Forst
Coledale	Anthony O'Donoghue
North Wollongong	Lance Tarrant
Coalcliff	Grant Smith
Corrimal	--
Bulli	--
Bellambi	--
Woonona	Stacey Paddon
Scarborough/Wombarra	--
Windang	Matt Quince
Port Kembla	Bill Seay
Sandon Point	--
Fairy Meadow	Tony Chapman
Helensburgh/Stanwell Park	Steven McDonald
Towradgi	--
Thirroul	--
Austinmer	Michael Idstein

### 2. APOLOGIES

Val Zanotto, President  
Anthony Turner, Director of Life Saving  
Joanne Massey, Director of Education  
Gary Chapman, Interim Director of Member Services  
Keith Caldwell, Director of Surf Sports  
Craig Kershaw, Bellambi  
Bindi Adams, Scarborough-Wombarra  
Jeff Body, Thirroul  
Adriana Gervaise, Towradgi

### 3. VISITORS

Nil

### 4. PROXIES

Bill Seay, Port Kembla  
Maria Caldwell, Bulli

### 5. MINUTE TAKER

Maria Sewell, Office Manager

### 6. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

None declared

### 7. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Minutes of Branch Council Meeting held 29 March 2016 accepted as a true and accurate record.

*Moved:* Lance Tarrant

*Seconded:* Steve McDonald

*Carried*

## 8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BRANCH COUNCIL MEETING

- Letter sent to Christian Surfers (see 26/04/16 General business for further updates)
- The scheduled meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> April between the President and Club Captains of Corrimal SLSC, Port Kembla SLSC, SLSI and State in regards to the Saturday Call out system did not go ahead. State reps did not want to participate with one of the Corrimal representatives; this was based on a confidential agreement between the Corrimal member and SLSA. The details of this agreement cannot be made public. Further to this Lance asked if State could be asked to attend a meeting to address all the Presidents with a view to review season 2016 and discuss the future of Saturday patrols. In particular North Wollongong and Austinmer have sent correspondence to SLSNSW about Saturdays but no formal response had been received. All agreed that the Presidents want to be part of the process of a review of the 2015-2016 season and determining the appropriate future strategy of Saturdays. Andy Kent to be asked to attend a future meeting.

*Moved: Lance Tarrant*

*Seconded: Michael Idstein*

*Carried*

- To date 3 persons have expressed an interest in being part of a committee re State Championships.

*Moved: Stacey Paddon*

*Seconded: Tony Chapman*

*Carried*

## 9. CONFIRMATION OF EXECUTIVE & PORTFOLIO MINUTES

*Moved: Grant Smith*

*Lance Tarrant*

*Carried*

## 10. DIRECTORS' REPORTS

### Deputy President

Thank you to all clubs for their support this year, for doing a great job on the beach and for a great season overall.

### Finance

Balance Sheet and P&L report as at 31 March 2016 tabled.

*Moved: Grant Smith*

*Seconded: Lance Tarrant*

*Carried*

## 11. CLUB REPORTS

### Bulli

- Last patrol yesterday
- Building at a standstill, everything nearly out, fences will go up in June

### Windang

- Nothing to report

### Woonona

- Patrols and season finished, all went well
- Couple of IRBC courses – 7 new crew
- IRB competitors have started training
- Assisted running multicultural beach day in conjunction with Red Cross

### Helensburgh-Stanwell Park

- Good end of season
- Member injured using rowing machine
- Good result at Aussies
- Participated at Anzac Day parade and 2up at Tradies Helensburgh
- Good Ocean Swim, 200 swimmers finished

### Coledale

- End of season get together Sunday afternoon
- Presentation on 21 May
- 44 rookies attended Jamberoo

### Wollongong City

- Last patrol had planes flying over in the morning
- Final BJ parents going through
- Presentation 14 May
- Some success at Aussies

## 11. CLUB REPORTS cont.

### Fairy Meadow

- Last patrol went well
- Meeting with Council re dune management, pushed back till end of June, may be next financial year
- Presentation 14 May
- UniClub has about 12 going through BM
- Held first social fundraiser, about 60 people turned up
- Masters did well at Aussies

### Austinmer

- Ended season well
- Presentation 25 June
- Meeting next Wednesday to discuss DA
- Thank you to Thirroul for assisting with IRB

### North Wollongong

- End of season yesterday
- Very good season at the Club except for drowning in March
- Strong training calendar for the winter break, all well for 2016-17
- Had success at Aussies
- Presentation 7 May

### Port Kembla

- Managing to get season over and done with
- Keeping flame alight for Saturday patrols

### Coalcliff

11. Grant Smith advised he was resigning from all positions held at the Club, he was working and has always worked 100% for the Club over the last 15 years. Grant advised that one of the Club's executive had abused and swore at him in a manner unacceptable to Grant. Grant expressed his disappointment at not one Coalcliff member contacting him since the incident. Grant noted he appreciated the support he had received from Branch and other Clubs. Grant advised he was still happy to assist with the SLSI patrol audit team. Branch thanked Grant for his participation at Coalcliff, which was appreciated, and noted it was extremely sad to see him leave under these circumstances. Grant was advised that if he needed any help or support anyone sitting at the Branch Council would be available to assist him.

## 12. GENERAL BUSINESS

### Paddle Against Poverty

- Letter was sent to the Christian Surfers and a response received. The Risk assessment received from CSA was very light on for information. Darren Weidner rang CSA to add some recommendations to the Risk Assessment document. WCC permit number has been received. A further letter to be sent advising that SLSI also require proof of Maritime Services approval. Ultimately, the final decision for the PAP event to proceed will be made on the day.

*Moved: Anthony O'Donoghue*

*Seconded: Grant Smith*

*Carried*

### SLSNSW Election Meeting

- To date no voting direction from any of the Presidents has been received. A brief discussion was held on the three nominees for the SLSNSW Presidents role: Tony Haven, David Murray and Phillipa Butt. It was agreed to leave the decision in the hands of the SLSI President.

## 13. NEXT MEETING

31 May 2016 at 7.15pm