



SPORT CLIMBING AUSTRALIA

Sport Climbing Australia AGM

Minutes

Venue: Various Locations via Google Hangout

Date and Time: 31th March 2017 at 7.00pm AEST – meeting started at 7:20 AEST

Present: Romain Thevenot/SCA, Naomi Cleary/SCA, Paul Kinnane/SCA, Katariina Rahikainen/SCA (minutes), Yvette Harrison/SCV, Caitlin Horan/SCT, Rick Perry /SCT, Roxy Perry/SCA, Thomas Krauss/SCT, William Hammersla/SCV, Nick Menell/SCA (item 6.1 onwards)

Present with voting power: Pepe Newton/NSW/ACT, Dan Gordon / SCQ

Via teleconference: James Damasco / SCWA; Josh Fawsset /SCT, Jin Chan / SCQ, Adam Clay/CSCSA

Present via teleconference with voting power: Philip Gordon / SCV, Max Perry / SCT

Chair: Romain Thevenot

- 1 Welcome/Apologies – Chair
- 2 Report from the board

This is the AGM of the new company Sport Climbing Australia Limited; and offers continuity for the company. There were no questions about the last year's report.

2.1 Noting of 2016 Minutes 2016 AGM

No questions about the 2016 AGM minutes.

2.2 Noting of 2016 Financial Report

Members are welcome to send any questions by email about the breakdown or details. Costing details have been sent to Phil on request. There were no questions about the financial report at the meeting.

2.3 Recent Activities

- Ongoing lead comps in Villawood, NSW
- Youth titles are being organized
- There has been lots of communication with different organizations, e.g. AIS – Naomi can provide details to anyone interested. At this point, cheaper rate at certain services (e.g. coaches) and free advice has been offered. SCA will find out in May if they get any funding from AIS but it is not likely.
- AIS to follow up with material what they've got to offer.
- AOC grants (training, coaching) to be given out soon. If there will be Youth Olympics, AOC can support with the travel costs.
- Oceania titles will hopefully be held every 2 years.
- It is possible that an Olympic place is offered to the winner of Oceania titles in male & female as well as in Youth (no confirmation from IOC as of yet). Hence cooperation with Oceania group is important.



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- IFSC: Romain participated in general assembly in Canada. Main items:
 1. Media and communication counts for about 50% of the revenue
 2. Olympics. Running as a “triathlon”; another ranking system. Any questions, contact Romain.
- There has been discussion about commercial opportunities and non-government funding, as well as tips from other big sports and free legal advice from sports lawyers. Commercial relationships are better than government funding and also they don’t fluctuate as the government changes or if climbing doesn’t make it to the next Olympics.
- Keep communication channels open about possible sponsors so that there are no conflicts of interest
- First Executive Officer position has been hired (Katariina Rahikainen)

3 Constitution amendment

Note: Voting process applies to any kind of motion, not only for vacant positions. A secret ballot can be requested; absence counts as a no.

Romain suggested: ‘One vote per motion’, instead of ‘one vote per agenda item’.
All voted in favour.

3.1 Erratum

Naomi made a typo which has been corrected.

4 Competition Sport Climbing South Australia

4.1 Presentation

Romain presented the problems that had arisen with CSCSA that led to their suspension from SCA. All the documents are available for anyone interested.

4.2 Discussion

It was concluded that the only AGM was held in August 2015 for Competition Sport Climbing South Australia with 7 board members; none in March 2016. Lots of progress has been made and CSCSA are running an AGM in April to elect new board members. SCA suggests an election of board members so that the board stays fresh.

CSCSA is expecting a document apologizing SCA’s actions of suspension, however SCA is of the opinion that their actions were understandable given the lack of communication and official documents from CSCSA, and this was discussed with other members states as well as with ASC.

Note for when creating new board policy: all board members need to be elected.

ACTION: Naomi to send requirements of board election to state boards.

4.3 Vote

Motion:

- CSCSA remains suspended
- SCA will organize another meeting with the member states after CSCSA has held their AGM.

All voted in favour.

5 Election of New Directors

Cait Horan is stepping down from the board. Naomi, Paul, Roxy and Romain remain. 2+1 directors can be appointed, and by the second deadline SCA received 4 application.



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At this point we have Nick Menell and Scott Braithwaite. Nick presented himself and Scott was contacted via telephone.

5.1 Vote

Election of Nick Menell: all in favour

Election of Scott Braithwaite: all in favour

6 Review of 2017 Lead Season

6.1 General Review

Board members (at least 2) have been going to every state competition.

Nick Menell joined the board at this point.

6.2 Competition Policy

Members need to communicate better, and policies need to be followed. All route setters have been approved by SCA in the National comps. State boards can decide who is the head setter – competition organizer can deal with the festivities etc. SCA will be giving continuous feedback so everyone has room to improve.

Q&A

New subcommittees will be formed that will deal with different areas – policies, calendar, athletes etc.

It was noted that Pepe wants to be part of 'consistifying' policy documents. Thomas voiced his concern about short-term future planning as it causes problems with sponsorship sourcing. At the end of the lead season, SCA hopes to start planning for the next lead season. 2yrs ahead would be ideal but not possible at this point.

7 Motions for member states

7.1 Motion 1: Bouldering Format for State Events

Same but with 4-minute finals; to add another format to the existing ones.

All voted in favour.

7.2 Motion 2: Youth B Climbers in Open A

Youth B climbers currently members of the Australian Youth National Team are treated as guest overseas competitors.

All voted in favour.

Nick Menell left

7.3 Motion 3: Policy Consultation Process

Policy development. Guidelines for sub-committees.

Vote: all in favour



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7.4 Motion 4: Life Members Nomination

Proposed by Sport Climbing NSW/ACT on life member nomination for Rob LeBreton and Carlie LeBreton as members of Sport Climbing Australia.

All voted in favour.

8 General Business

Sport Climbing WA has just been recognized as an association. They will be voted as becoming members of SCA at the next meeting.

NSW/ACT will stay as a combined association.

9 Meeting close

Meeting finished at 10:05 AEST.

10 Next Meeting: TBC