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Ordinary Meeting of the Board
Friday 14th August 2015, commencing at 10:10 am (AEST)
Location: MDA Echuca via Skype

MINUTES - MEETING 349

1. ATTENDANCE

1.1 Present

Mr Rodney Button*	Region 8 Chair, Vice President	Via Skype	Audio/Visual
Mr David Thurley	Region 1 Chair	Via Skype	Audio
Cr Oscar Aertssen	Region 3 Chair	Via Skype	Audio/Visual
Cr Glenn Milne	Region 4 Chair	Via Skype	Audio/Visual
Cr Kevin Myers	Region 5 Chair	Via Skype	Audio/Visual
Cr Barry Feartherston	Region 6 Chair	Via Skype	Audio/Visual
Cr Peter Jamieson	Region 7 Chair, Treasurer	Via Skype	Audio/Visual
Cr Paul Maytom	Region 9 Chair	Via Skype	Audio
Mr Murray Wood	Region 10 Chair	Via Skype	Audio/Visual
Ms Emma Bradbury	Chief Executive Officer	Echuca	Present
Mr Stan Gibney	Finance Manager	Echuca	Present
Ms Sandra Adams	Executive Assistant	Echuca	Present

*Mr Rodney Button Region 8 Chair-MDA Vice President chaired this meeting in the absence of National President Cr Greg Toll.

1.2 Apologies

Cr Greg Toll	Region 2 Chair, National President
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1.3 Declaration of Interests and Conflicts

Nil

2. PREVIOUS MINUTES

2.1 Meeting held Friday, 24th July 2015

Emma Bradbury made an amendment to previous minutes of board meeting 348 held on Friday the 24th of July:

Item 3.8 2015/16 Membership Fees

'The fee schedule for 2014/15 was as follows (all prices noted are inclusive of GST):

\$0.264 per head of population capped at

\$6,050.00

Local Government'

Motion: That the previous minutes be amended to read \$0.264 per head of population for Local Government (inclusive of GST).

Murray Wood/Peter Jamieson

Carried

Motion: That the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted as a true and accurate record

Rodney Button/David Thurley

Carried

3. GENERAL BUSINESS

3.1 Approval of 2014-15 Annual Financial Statements

Stan Gibney summarized the Annual Financial Statements (see attached).

A discussion about the financial statements occurred. Peter Jamieson mentioned the importance of value adding to the association. David Thurley noted that accounting fees were less than in previous financial years due to employment of Stan Gibney as Finance Manager.

Motion: That the board

- a. Adopt the 2014-15 Financial Statements, and
- b. Authorize the President and Treasurer to sign the Directors' Report and Statement by Board of Directors.

Glenn Milne/Murray Wood

Carried

3.2 Management Representation Letter

Motion: That the board acknowledges that the Management Representation Letter (see attached) was signed by the Chief Executive Officer and National President and will be forwarded to the Auditors.

Peter Jamieson/Oscar Aertssen

Carried

3.3 Change of Public Officer

Motion: That the board appoint the Chief Executive Officer as Public Officer effective immediately, and allow all necessary action to be taken under delegation to affect that change.

Peter Jamieson/Glenn Milne

Carried

3.4 Change in agents to approve Water Share Transactions

Motion: That the board appoint the Chief Executive Officer and the Finance Manager as authorized agents on all water share accounts, and allow all necessary action to be taken under delegation from the Board.

Oscar Aertssen/Peter Jamieson

Carried

4. WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Rodney Button officially welcomed the following board members:

- a. Cr Glenn Milne, Mayor Mildura Rural City Council-Interim Chair Region 4
- b. Cr Kevin Myers, Mid-Murray Council-Chair Region 5
- c. Cr Barry Featherston, Alexandrina Council-Chair Region 6

Emma Bradbury mentioned the retirement of previous Region 4 Chair Cr Judi Harris and acknowledged her contribution to the association. Glenn Milne noted that he will pass on the comments of appreciation to Cr Harris.

Motion: That board would like to acknowledge Cr Judi Harris for her valuable contribution to the association during her time as Region 4 Chair.

Peter Jamieson /Murray Wood

Carried

5. NEXT MEETING: Wednesday the 8th of September 2015,at 9:00am (AEST)

6. MEETING CLOSED 10:50pm (AEST)

ACTION LIST

OPEN ITEMS

Board Meeting No	Action	Requested by	Region	Officer responsible	Due Date	Status
	NIL					