

# FSA MEETING MINUTES 26<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2017

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**PRESENT:** Bruce Oerman, Leighlan Doe, Stuart Marshall, Rob Thomas, Anna Foale

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**APOLOGIES:** Nil

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## ITEM 1: **TREASURERS REPORT:**

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- Rob close to finalising financials for financial year
  - \$14,400 current profit. Similar costs and income to previous financial year.
  - Saving noted from cessation of squad – coach and rental costs
  - Robyn Chaplin > \$4000 profit this year. Projected growth through piste sponsorship and merchandise in future years
  - Board approved pending payments for Perth U15/17 comps – accommodation, vehicle hire and food.
  - Payment for pre Perth training days available on Register Now.
  - Clothing (jackets, hoosies etc) to be made available on Register Now.  
**ACTION: Anna to give Bruce costs of clothing items to be uploaded.**
  - Current Sport and Rec grant at end. Meeting to be held with Tom Hunter, Industry rep.  
**ACTION: Bruce to arrange meeting**
  - Budget needs to be done for 2017-2018
- REPORT ACCEPTED: COPY TO BE POSTED IN DROPBOX.

## ITEM 2: **BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

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### **1. Presidents Meeting**

- Strategic Plan discussed – no major responses
- Member protection discussed
- Data base: we require a way to add our fencers names to our website
- Member categories – some discussion
- Calendar:
  - suggestion of an U13 and U15 Sabre and Epee comp each year with a development day offered.
  - suggestion that comps balanced throughout the year, with more comps in early part of the year.
- Coach development:
  - suggestion of an epee coaching course late in 2017.
  - Unlikely to offer sabre coaching, but this may be available interstate

### **2. Coaching course**

- Practical completed. Exams to be done.

**ACTION: Leon to facilitate.**

### **3. Constitution Amendment**

- In progress

### **4. Schools League**

- Starting Term 3. Timetable published.
- Senior teams x 6, Junior teams x 3, Girls teams x 2
- Gear to be borrowed from ASC. ?Need an official process for this?
- Some team payments have been received already

### **5. Pultney College Fencing**

- Leighlan in correspondence with Pultney re possible introductory fencing course after the school made enquiries. Possible start Term 4, 2017

**ACTION: Leighlan to discuss with Leon**

### **6. Minime Circuit**

- Bruce discussed possibility of FSA hosting part of Mimime circuit in 2018 with Kayt Spano.
- Further discussion to follow – comps would be held at Scotch.

### **7. Women's Epee Trophy**

- Discussed possibility of creating a new trophy / named competition for Women's Open Epee, (as there is none at present,) named for Coraine Soprano.

**ACTION: Anna to source trophy and approach Coraine.**

## **ITEM 3:**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

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### **1. Robyn Chaplin Debrief**

- Feedback that FSA organization was good, venue excellent and canteen the best!
  - Noted that there were some difficulties with running comps to time – DT responsibility. Some discussion as to whether the AFF moves competition management and DT duties to the host state in the future.
  - Suggestions for 2018 and onwards:
    - Better use of road crew needed, (ie. who does what), including some succession planning for new crew members.
    - Appoint a technical manager under Leon to take over hands on duties?
    - Ensure there is a new Weapons Check supervisor in 2018 so the same people don't always perform this duty.
    - Stocktake list required for items borrowed from clubs for the comp, and to cover items taken from Scotch.
    - Request noted for warm-up piste in bag room, with scoring boxes
    - Wineries to be approached for sponsorship. Piste sponsorship by businesses to be followed up.
    - New banners needed
    - Boost massage attendance by offering bookings pre event, and provide screens.
- WILL CONSULT THIS LIST FOR PRE-PLANNING EVENT IN 2018.

### **2. Faulty FSA Lane Pistes**

- 2 lame pistes are damaged, 2 ok still.
- AFF has alloy pistes in Canberra which we may be able to borrow at no charge for future Robyn Chaplin events.

- Only cost would be transport, which is more cost effective than buying 2 more pistes.  
**ACTION: Bruce to contact AFF**

### **3. FSA Marketing**

- Michael Neale working on this with Bruce
- President's group also exploring possibilities

## **ITEM 3: NEW BUSINESS (Continued)**

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### **4. Possible provision of a new vacation program**

- Make it more of a come-and-try program
- Include other sports such as archery
- Use young coaches
- Hold program in a gym outside the Scotch College area
- Possibly October school holidays?
- Manager would be required.

### **5. Disciplinary Action**

- Nature of complaint was the witnessing of inappropriate language and behaviour directed at a minor during a fencing bout at a FSA State Fencing Competition.
- FSA Child Safe Environment Policy and Member Protection Policy outline our need to manage the situation.
- Behaviour not pointed out by referee at the time, so FIE rules do not apply.
- Child Safe Policy options are mediation or tribunal: agreed that mediation was the best first option to explore. If it is refused, we will move onto a tribunal.
- Mediation needs to be agreed to be undertaken by both parties. The outcome of the mediation remains confidential within the mediation group.

**ACTION: Bruce to approach Frank Comato as a possible mediator.**

**ACTION: Bruce to collect statements from observers/witnesses**

**ACTION: Bruce to notify complainee re complaint received.**

### **6. Office of Recreation & Sport Strategic Plan**

- Leighlan attended launch. Some points noted were:
  - Attracting a business mindset for sporting groups
  - Making SA an "Active" state, with all sports *DOING* things in the state.
  - National Sporting Plan, to standardise sporting systems/groups in each state, is under consultation.

### **7. State Squad**

- Sam W. starting sabre squad at CSFC  
**ACTION: Bruce talking with Steve H. re ASC proposal for a squad.**

**Meeting closed at 21:00 hours.**

**Next Meeting to be held Monday 31<sup>st</sup> July @ NAPS**

**Signed copy of the Minutes of the 26<sup>th</sup> June Meeting of FSA**

..... BRUCE OERMAN, President

..... LEIGHLAN DOE, Vice President

..... ROB THOMAS, Treasurer

..... STUART MARSHAL, Public Officer

..... ANNA FOALE, Secretary