



## Board Meeting Summary – July 2020

The Board met on 15 July 2020, via Webex. Discussion began with the outcome of the Equestrian Australia Voluntary Administration “Second Meeting of Creditors”, which was held on 14 July 2020. Steve Ludlam summarised the process and potential outcome of the vote, which was to progress with KordaMentha’s Deed of Company Arrangement (DOCA), noting that the minutes and voting count had not yet been released by the Administrators.

The Board resolved to send an email to the South Australian members, providing further context of ESA’s position in working with other states to put forward an alternative DOCA, and what the implications may be if the States do not unanimously agree to a change to the EA Constitution, as per KordaMentha’s DOCA. The letter would also include a poll, which would allow ESA members to advise the Board of their opinion, to ensure that the ESA Board acts in a truly reflective way of their members.

A list of proposals was put forward for consideration regarding the underspend of government grant funds from 2019-20 and how these can be acquitted by the extension date of 30 September 2020. The Board agreed that the funds should be put towards activities that meet the requirements of the original grant purpose.

Executive Officer, Kirsty Dummin recently informed the Board that her family would be relocating to Queensland, and so discussion was held around recruiting her replacement, and the need to have a thorough hand over prior to Kirsty’s departure.

The final report for the Dressage Committee Review was presented to the Board. No further actions were required and the Board approved to release the report to the committee. It was also agreed that, regardless of the minimal submissions received for the remaining committees of Vaulting, Carriage Driving and Interschool, a review meeting should still progress to allow each party to raise concerns and to understand the general themes of the review to date. Jumping and Eventing reports are yet to be finalised but all meetings have occurred.

There was some discussion regarding a potential clashing of dates for the Show Jumping State Championships and Eventing activities. The Board noted a need to discuss the dates with the Eventing committee to ensure that all necessary communication had occurred, prior to approving the dates.

The next meeting will be held on 19 August 2020.