

Board Meeting Summary November 2020

The Board met on 25th November 2020, via Webex. Previous minutes were accepted, and outstanding actions reviewed. Several actions were reprioritised due to the complexity of the tasks and other priorities taking precedent. Some of the areas of focus over the next month include:

- Strategic planning
- MPIO accreditation
- Review and consideration of recreational and event membership categories
- Risk register
- Pixio Camera training
- Awards Night 2021
- Finalisation of Swabbing Strategy

Stephen Ludlam (SL) provided an update relating to EA and Board elect. Steve and Wendy Schaffer (WS) met with the EA Chair elect online and discussed the background of the Board elect members which appear to have a good balance of Equestrian and Independent expertise. There are two further challenges (Directors insurance and 2020 Audited Financial performance) that are required to be overcome before confirmation of appointment can be finalised. Sport Australia is providing a lot of in-kind support and working the EA Board elect to commence the process of finding a new CEO, the time frame is unknown.

Ongoing Governance reform continues to remain a priority, with the Discipline Committee Review completed. Several requests for changes and new appointments to DC's were approved and will be updated on the web site accordingly.

The Board discussed and approved recent applications for vacant Director's position, the appointments will be announced once the new Directors have accepted the appointment and completed the appropriate documentation.

Helen Coleiro (HC) provided an update on ESA's financial performance to date with the Board accepting the October 2020 Financial Report. Several requests for approval of accounts payable above the DC and EO delegation were approved. New signatory (the EO) for ESA accounts was approved for submission and authorisation to the bank.

The Board discussed and confirmed ESA will be hosting an Awards Night in February 2021 with further details to be provided and announced in the future.

A brochure for ESA memberships was reviewed with feedback from DC's with further feedback from

the Board to be integrated prior to release.

The Board discussed the position and current activities of each discipline.

The next meeting will be held on 16 December 2020.