



Board Meeting Summary – August 2020

The Board met on 19 August 2020, via Webex. Previous minutes were accepted, and outstanding actions reviewed. Wendy Schaeffer raised the query of when Discipline representatives would be invited to attend the beginning of the regular Board meetings, as guests, and it was agreed this would recommence from October 2020. Steven Ludlam then provided an update on the negotiations with KordaMentha in the lead up to the Equestrian Australia Special General Meeting, which has been scheduled for 15 September 2020.

There was a brief discussion on the applications received for the Executive Officer vacancy and the next steps for interviewing candidates.

The 2020 AGM is being organised, with an estimated date of 14 October 2020. Disciplines have been asked to submit their summary for the Annual Report by Friday 4 September. The Board agreed to hold the AGM both virtually and in person to allow greater attendance for regional members, and for those who do not wish to attend in person due to COVID restrictions.

Review of current committees indicate that some committee members are not registered with the appropriate level of membership. All Board members agree that committee members must be members with full voting rights and be bound by the rules and regulations of the association.

The Board have been in discussion about how to provide Day Membership, for those individuals not yet members of Equestrian South Australia, but who would like to attend an EA event and still be insured. Day Membership could also be used for “come and try” days, which many disciplines are keen to introduce. It was resolved that ESA would form a “Club ESA” and run events with Day Membership, through the affiliated club insurance program.

Helen Coleiro detailed a social media promotion campaign which will be run later in September, to encourage more positive engagement across social media, and in particular to engage some of the younger membership through the use of Instagram. The promotion will have prizes and will require participants to allow the use of their photos and videos in ESA promotions.

Updates to bank access and signatories were ratified so that these can be progressed with ANZ and all relevant committee members can have access to their accounts.

A summary of the Discipline Committee Review process highlighted that the review is almost complete, with one committee still to be met with, before a final report can be produced and published.

The next meeting will be held on 16 September 2020.