

# **Board of Management Report**

### **Third Quarter 2020**

Rule 15: Board Operations; Section 9

### 1. Meeting Dates

20<sup>th</sup> July 2020 Board of Management

13<sup>th</sup> August 2020 59<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting

24<sup>th</sup> August 2020 Board of Management

21st September 2020 Board of Management

#### 2. Board

The 59th Annual General Meeting of Canoeing Ireland was held by video conference on the 13<sup>th</sup> August 2020. The meeting was well attended with strong club representation from across the country. The Board Report was presented to the members by the President, Brian Ogilvie.

Luke Logan was nominated by the Board and re-elected as Honorary Secretary by majority vote of the meeting. Lynda Byron was nominated by Wild Water Kayak Club, seconded by Inny Kayak Club and re-elected to Executive Member by majority vote of the meeting. Déaglán O'Drisceoil was nominated by the Sprint Committee and seconded by the Slalom Committee and elected as Olympic Discipline Representative by majority vote of the meeting.

At the Board meeting on the 24<sup>th</sup> August 2020, Brendan Quinn and Eoin Brereton were reappointed to the Board as Independent Directors.

The 2019 Annual Report has been approved and adopted by the Board.

## 3. Correspondence

All correspondence received during the period was reported and addressed at the respective Board of Management meeting.

#### 4. Management

The CEO presented her report to the Board at each meeting which included finances, resourcing, high performance, specific projects and other operational matters. The Board continues to review and implement new initiatives to support and facilitate club development while enhancing

communications to members. The Canoeing Ireland Return to Paddling Covid-19 protocol is continually updated in line with government recommendations and guidelines.

5. Finance

An updated financial overview was presented at each meeting in relation to operating costs, budget, cash-flow and monetary commitments. No financial concerns arose in the period with Q3 expenditure in line with projections. Income & Expenditure is reviewed to forecast any future financial variance and impact as a result of Covid-19.

6. Governance

The Board continues the review and updating of individual policies and implementation of a risk register in line with the 'The code of good practice for good governance of community, voluntary and charitable organisations in Ireland'. This is part of an ongoing process to collate policies into a common policy document and structure. An Audit & Risk committee has been established and a Risk Appetite statement implemented.

Canoeing Ireland's entry to the Carmichael Governance Awards under Category 3: Organisation Governance Improvement Initiative – Accountability & Transparency has been shortlisted for the Governance Improvement Award 2020.

7. Legal

There were no legal issues which arose during the period.

8. Strategy

The application and implementation of the 2017-2020 Strategic Plan is continually reviewed by the Board in relation to objectives, targets and resource capacity.

A consultation process has been undertaken with members, discipline committees and stakeholders for the 2021-2023 Strategic Plan. A draft framework identifying 4 strategic priorities and 12 goals with proposed measured actions has been developed and circulated to all involved in the consultation phase. Responses were very positive with minor recommendations. The 2021-2023 Strategic Plan is now in its final stages with publication expected in November 2020.

9. Disciplines

A request seeking 2021 budgets and events calendar has been sent to the Discipline committees.

Brian Ogilvie, President

**Report Ends** 

**Board of Management**: Brian Ogilvie (President), Luke Logan (Honorary Secretary) [Re-elected 13.08.2020], Aisling Conlan (Honorary Treasurer), Leigh Blackmore (Executive Member), Lynda Byron (Executive Member) [Re-elected 13.08.2020], Jon Murray (Dublin Representative), Déaglán O'Drisceoil (Olympic Discipline Representative) [Elected: 13.08.2020], Brendan Quinn (Independent Director), Eoin Brereton (Independent Director).