



Board of Management Report

Second Quarter 2023

1. Meeting Dates

24 th April 2023	Board of Management
4 th May 2023	EGM
29 th May 2023	Board of Management
12 th June 2023	AGM

2. Board

The 62nd Annual General Meeting of Canoeing Ireland was held in hybrid form, at Sport HQ, Sport Ireland Campus and via Zoom. The meeting was well attended with strong club representation from across the country. The Board Report was presented to the members by the President, Lynda Byron. Under the new constitution of the company, there was no election of officers. The financial statements were presented by the Treasurer, Marcus McInerney and unanimously approved by the AGM.

The board considers reports from the Finance Audit & Risk Committee, Governance Committee and Safeguarding updates from the National Childrens Officer (Heather Wilson) at each meeting. A review of governing documents, presented by the Company Secretary (Aisling Hoey), is scheduled for each meeting in accordance with the governance code for sport guidelines.

Insurance cover for 12 months (April to Mar 2023/2024) was approved 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 approved the recruitment of a Regional Development Officer for the west of Ireland, operating out of the Mayo Sports Hub. This role will be a shared resource with Mayo Local Sports Partnership.

Operationally the company is exceeding its targets for 2023 and will successfully achieve the goals defined in the current strategic plan (2021-2023) by year end.

5. Finance

A mid-year financial review was conducted by the Treasurer in line with the mid-year report submitted to Sport Ireland. The audit was completed prior to the 62nd Annual General Meeting and approved by the AGM in June. There were no exceptional items noted by the auditor.

6. Governance

The new constitution has been approved by the AGM and work continues on a review of governing policies and procedures. The mid-year governance review was submitted to Sport Ireland in line with funding rules.

7. Legal

There were no legal issues which arose during the period.

8. Strategy

Planning will commence during Q4 for the new Strategic Plan 2024+. The board will invite collaboration with and submissions from all stakeholders. There will be a specific focus on sustainability in the new plan.

9. Disciplines

The Q2 meeting of the Discipline Committees was held on 12th July. The discussion focused on development, finance and international schedules for 2023. The board will continue to work with the discipline committees on finalising development plans and fundraising initiatives.

Report Ends

Board of Management: Lynda Byron (President), Aisling Hoey (Honorary Secretary), Marcus McInerney (Honorary Treasurer), John Murray (Executive Member), Heather Wilson (Executive Member), Colette Lawlor (Munster Rep), Ronán Shaw (Connacht/Ulster Rep), Susan Honan (Leinster Rep), James O'Connor (Non-Olympic Discipline Rep), Brendan Quinn (Independent Director), Eoin Brereton (Independent Director).