



**National Rover Council  
Remote Meeting**

Minutes of the meeting held on the 30<sup>th</sup> of April 2020

## 1. Procedural Items

### 1.1 Meeting Open

Meeting opened 8:05pm AEST.

The National Rover Council acknowledges the Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the first inhabitants of this country and pays their respects to the Traditional Owners and Elders, past, present and emerging, of the land on which we stand today.

### 1.2 Attendance

Ezgi Bridger (NAT)	Monica Gonzalez (NSW)	Jesse Carter (VIC)
Matthew Prants (NAT)	Peter Favelle (NSW)	Peter Wotherspoon (VIC)
Danielle Reed (NAT)	Brendan Wilson (QLD)	Toby Blyth (WA)
Andrew Hilditch (NAT)	Shaun Sandilands (QLD)	Jay Reid (ERT)
Patrick McCormick (NAT)	Thomas Milham (SA)	Clinton Smith (ERT)
Jake Goodall (NAT)	Owen Holloway (TAS)	Chris Young (ERT)
Eleanor Hewitt (ACT)	Narelle Ball (TAS)	Sorrel Fuller (WSM CMT)
Sam De Rota (ACT)	Vicki McKinnon (VIC)	
Benjamin Kuzma (NSW)	Michelle Saffin (VIC)	

## 2. Past Minutes and Matters Arising

### 2.1 Previous Minutes

E. Bridger presented the minutes from the NRC Conference held 14-16<sup>th</sup> of February previously circulated for approval by those present.

#### **MOTION**

That the National Rover Council confirms the minutes as a true and accurate record of the NRC Conference held on the 14<sup>th</sup> to the 16<sup>th</sup> of February 2020.

**Moved:** Yes      **Seconded:** Yes

**MOTION CARRIED**

### 2.2 Action Items List.

The NRC Exec presented the action items list of tasks that the office bearers had been working on over the past months and upcoming projects they intended to complete over the next couple of months. It was requested that this is circulated earlier for the next remote meeting.

## 3. Standing Items

### 3.1 Child Safe Issues

NIL

### 3.2 WHS Issues

NIL

### 3.3 Conflicts of Interest

NIL

## 4. Executive Reports

### 4.1 Chairperson's Report.

E. Bridger spoke to the Chairperson's report available in the dropbox.

#### MOTION

That the report be noted.

**Moved through the Chairperson**

**MOTION CARRIED**

### 4.2 Vice Chairperson's Report.

M. Prants spoke to the Vice Chairperson's report available in the dropbox.

#### MOTION

That the report be noted.

**Moved through the Vice Chairperson**

**MOTION CARRIED**

### 4.3 Training and Development Officer's Report

D. Reed spoke to the Training and Development Officer's report available in the dropbox.

#### MOTION

That the report be noted.

**Moved through the Training and Development Officer**

**MOTION CARRIED**

### 4.4 Secretary's Report

No Secretary Report was provided.

### 4.5 NRC Adviser's Report

P. McCormick delivered a verbal report.

#### MOTION

That the report be noted.

**Moved through the Adviser**

**MOTION CARRIED**

## 5. Project Officer Reports

### 5.1 Diversity and Inclusion Report

No Diversity and Inclusion Report was provided.

### 5.2 Promotions and Marketing Report

J. Goodall spoke to the Marketing and Promotions report available in the dropbox.

#### MOTION

The NRC approves requested actions 1-4 of the Marketing and Promotions Project Officer Report.

**Moved: Yes    Seconded: Yes**

**MOTION CARRIED**

### 5.3 World Moot Feasibility Study Report

No report was provided.

### 5.4 Roverscope OzVenture 2021

Roverscope Coordinator Hugh Crawford provided a verbal report.

#### MOTION

That the report be noted.

**Moved through the Roverscope Coordinator**

**MOTION CARRIED**

## 6. World Scout Moot 2021 Contingent

### 6.1 World Scout Moot 2021 Contingent Report

S. Fuller delivered a verbal report highlighting the recent progress of the CMT and spoke to the CMT Report submitted to the dropbox. BRCs were encouraged to contact the CMT with any further queries, and to nominate contingent leaders.

## 7. Review of Conference Funding Model

### 7.1 Review of Conference Funding Model Paper (NSW)

NSW presented their paper, which had been previously distributed and discussed at NRC Conference 2020.

The NRC Executive proposed an amendment which updated language to clarify the paper's intent, proposed removal of action item two, and updated tables to clearly show the financial implications of the changed report.

#### MOTION TO AMEND

The paper be updated to read as per paper submitted 'proposed amendment - NRC 2020 Conference paper - Review of Conference Funding Model'.

**Moved: NSW    Seconded: YES**

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

There was extensive discussion regarding the benefits and drawbacks of this proposal. Tasmania noted this paper would be hugely beneficial to their BRC, while Victoria noted that this would have a negative financial impact on their BRC.

#### MOTION

It is requested that the NRC approve the following changes to the NRC By-Laws:

(1) Replace the "Flight Rationalisation" segment of "PART 2: Section 2: NRC Conference Organising and Financing" with the proposed "Conference Representation Cost" section, as shown in Attachment 1.

(2) Modify "Item 5.2.1 d)" of "PART 1: Article 5: Finance" as follows:

"The NRC Levy will increase by 2.5% each year according to the equation:  $Levy = \$7.50 \times (1.025)^n$  per Rover Scout, where n is the number of years since 2020 (i.e.  $n = [current\ year] - 2020$ )."

**Moved: NSW    Seconded: YES**

**For: NSW, ACT, QLD, WA, SA, Tasmania, NT**

**Against: Victoria**

**MOTION CARRIED**

## 8. NRC Project Officer Duty Statements

### 8.1 Sexual Assault Review Officer Paper

M. Prants presented the Duty Statement for the Sexual Assault Review Project Officer.

#### MOTION

The NRC approve the Duty Statement and authorise the NRC Executive to advertise the position.

**Moved through the Vice Chairperson**

**CARRIED**

### 8.2 Mental Health Resource Officer Paper

M. Prants presented the Duty Statement for the Mental Health Resource Officer.

#### MOTION

The NRC approve the Duty Statement and authorise the NRC Executive to advertise the position.

**Moved through the Vice Chairperson**

**CARRIED**

## 9. NRC Secretary Election

### 9.1 NRC Secretary Election

Sam De Rota was elected NRC Secretary.

## 10. BRC Challenges and Successes

### 10.1 Training

### 10.2 Program

WA spoke to Gravel Moot and invited all other BRCs to participate.

### 10.3 Governance

Several Branches had a changeover of BRC executives.

### 10.4 Marketing

### 10.5 Learnings

### 10.6 General

WA highlighted how well the BRC Chairs had been working together as a team since conference, with regular communications.

## 11. NRC Review Team

### 11.1 NRC Review Team Report

The NRC Review Team provided an update, particularly on the survey results for their review. There were more than 200 surveys filled out.

### 11.2 Proposal for NRC Minutes and Papers to be Publicly Available

The NRC Review Team submitted a paper proposing that meeting agendas, reports, discussion papers, and minutes be made available to the public via the Rover Scouts Australia website. The NRC Secretary position description should be updated to include this responsibility.

## **MOTION**

Update position description for the NRC Secretary to task them with posting the agendas, reports, discussion papers and minutes of each meeting online.

**Moved:** YES    **Seconded:** YES

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **12. General Business**

### **12.1 Late paper: NRC Review and Review of Conference Funding Model (Victoria)**

Victoria spoke to the paper provided in the Dropbox

## **MOTION**

The proposed Conference Funding Model paper voted on earlier tonight is held over until the Review Team's report is received and recommendations accepted/rejected/amended.

**Moved:** VIC    **Seconded:** NO

**MOTION LOST**

### **12.2: Late paper: Suspension of NRC Levy 2020 (ACT, SA, Victoria)**

The co-authors spoke to this paper and recommended that the NRC Levy is suspended for 2020 due to the impact of Coronavirus on the financial status of members.

## **MOTION**

- Suspend the NRC levy invoiced on the 1st July 2020
- Invoice for Moot Buddies contribution to remain unchanged
- Conference costs to be invoiced separately (if a face to face conference is allowable under future COVID-19 restrictions)
- Savings made to the Branches are to be passed on to the Grassroots Rover

**Moved:** ACT    **Seconded:** VIC

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **12.3 World Moot Feasibility Study**

NSW provided an update that this is almost complete and will be distributed to the NRC shortly. The Council noted that due dates had passed, and this is required to prevent delays to the tendering process.

### **12.4 NRC Strategic Plan**

The Promotions and Marketing Officer presented amendments to the 'Marketing' section of the NRC Strategic Plan.

## **MOTION**

That the NRC Strategic Plan is updated to include the presented amendments to the 'Marketing' section of the NRC Strategic Plan.

**Moved:** YES    **Seconded:** YES

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **13. Procedural Items**

### **13.1 Next Meeting**

**ACTION:** S. De Rota to distribute a poll to NRC members to decide the date of upcoming remote meeting.

### **13.2 Meeting Close**

Meeting closed 10:30pm AEST