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**SCOUTS AUSTRALIA
NEW SOUTH WALES BRANCH**

**MEETING OF THE BRANCH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
HELD AT BRANCH HEADQUARTERS
ON MONDAY, 9th JULY 2001 AT 6.30 PM**

MINUTES

1. PRESENT

Mr J. McIntyre (in the chair), Dr N. Mattes, Messrs G. Fordham, D. Campbell, R. Brown, R. Thornley, W. Scott-Smith, C. Hopley, W. Derricott, Mesdames J. Archer, C. Richardson-Smith, and with the Chief Executive, Administration Manager, Legal & Property Services Manager, and Finance & Business Planning Manager, in attendance.

Mr. R. Mackay was present for item 18.6.

2. APOLOGIES

Messrs P. Martin, A. Currie, V. G. Kolsky, G James, P. Read; Mesdames K. Oliver, J. Bateman

3. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Nil

4. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

REDACTED

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

REDACTED

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17. **REGISTRATIONS, APPOINTMENTS, TRANSFERS AND RESIGNATIONS**

REDACTED



The Chief Executive advised the meeting that in April letters were sent to all current Leaders in NSW requesting the completion and return by the 31st May of a Prohibited Employment Declaration (PED) which is a requirement under the Child

Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act. A follow-up letter was sent on 1st June to all those who had not responded with a further deadline of 29th June.

There are currently 517 Leaders who have not returned the required declaration. This number will be reduced slightly after resignations from tonight's Appointments List are processed, as well as some new Trainee Leaders who were caught in the change over process and will be given an extension of time to comply.

It is proposed to write to all those who have not complied advising that they have been suspended, although another copy of the form will be included with an invitation to complete it, in which case the suspension will be lifted. A final date will need to be confirmed for those who still do not comply at which time their appointments will be cancelled.

Regional Commissioners will be provided with a list of those who are suspended.

In answer to a request from the BRC President to require the completion of PEDs by all Rovers, the Chief Executive replied that Rovers who are not Leaders had not been included in the original mailout because, after discussion with the various authorities, it was agreed that we had no right to stop them from being a Rover if they elected not to complete the PED. The Chief Executive was happy for himself and Warwick Bateman to attend a meeting of the BRC Executive to explain the matter more fully.

It was **RESOLVED** that, in order to comply with the Legislation, to formally approve the suspension of all Leaders who have not signed the Prohibited Employment Declaration with a period of grace to be determined before cancellation of appointment and membership.

18. GENERAL BUSINESS

REDACTED