

Member Communiqué

The Board of Directors met on 27th August 2026 to review organisational performance, governance priorities, financial results and strategic opportunities. Below is a summary of key decisions and discussions.

Key Decisions

- Approved the 2025/26 audited Financial Statements.
 - Accepted the August management KPI report and membership applications.
 - Agreed to trial an enhanced Board skills matrix to support future director recruitment and succession planning.
 - Confirmed the 2025/26 Annual Report development process ahead of the Annual General Meeting on 22 October 2026.
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Financial and Governance Oversight

The Board (including Finance and Audit Committee and Auditor) reviewed the results of the annual external audit, which confirmed strong financial controls with no significant matters identified. The Board reviewed organisational risks and reaffirmed the importance of maintaining strong financial sustainability, including appropriate reserves, liquidity and diversified revenue sources.

Strategic Focus

Directors continued discussions regarding a compelling case for future philanthropic investment, the future direction of the Swim & Survive Fund and the organisation's retained earnings. The Board also explored how retained resources can be used to generate the greatest social impact including developing a more targeted and evidence-based approach.

Organisational Updates

The Board noted several positive developments:

- Additional government investment has been secured to expand fee-free training pathways for swim teachers and pool lifeguards,
 - A successful funding application will support new employment initiatives in Kimberley and Pilbara communities.
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Looking Ahead

The Board will be focusing on:

- Reviewing outcomes from the Work Health and Safety assurance review.
 - Continuing child safeguarding policy improvements.
 - Finalising and releasing the 2025/26 Annual Report.
 - Further developing strategies for the Swim & Survive Fund.
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The Board thanks members, volunteers, staff, partners and supporters for their ongoing contribution. If Members have any questions or feedback on the matters raised, contact the Board Secretary via Board@royallifesavingwa.com.au

On behalf of the Board of Directors