



MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE NEW ZEALAND CONTRACT BRIDGE ASSOCIATION MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE HELD IN THE WELLINGTON BRIDGE CLUB ON 16 JUNE 2006.

PRESENT: Alister Stuck (Chair), Tony Lenart, Kay Nicholas, Arleen Schwartz, Norm Silcock, Richard Solomon, Noel Woodhall and Fran Jenkins (Secretary).

IN ATTENDANCE: Alan Turner (International Manager)

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from Murat Genc, Jenny Wilkinson, Arie Geursen and Gary Duncan.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 28 April 2006 were accepted as a correct record.

MATTERS ARISING

Womens Bridge: Details of the womens bridge survey were now on the website.

Brochures: Still pending.

Kupari: Tony advised that, due to the circumstances, Kupari had been expecting the withdrawal from sponsorship and had thanked NZCBA for their past support.

Wellington Centre: Confirmation had been received that Wellington Centre had been reinstated as an Incorporated Society.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Constitution: As no action had taken place on this project, it was moved “**THAT** the special committee be disbanded and the project handed over to the incoming Management Committee.”

Alister Stuck/Tony Lenart
CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

The inwards/outwards correspondence had been tabled. Tony advised that Jardines had again sponsored the New Zealand Pairs. It was agreed a letter of thanks be sent to them.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. ADMINISTRATION (Administration, Scoring Programme, Tournaments, Website)

Administration:

An Administration sub committee meeting had been held earlier in the day.

Position Descriptions: These were still under discussion.

AGM: Noel, on behalf of the Committee, apologised to Kay for the omission of the last page of her report in the AGM papers. This had been emailed to clubs and centres.

There was discussion on the remit from Canterbury Centre and the Treasurer was asked to prepare a budget summary for distribution at the AGM. The remit would be further discussed at the pre-AGM meeting.

A nomination for President had not been received from Wellington Centre. The Secretary was asked to follow this up.

Office: Fran had suggested that a new filing system together with a suitable archive system should be set up. It was agreed that Kay should apply for financial assistances for this work.

Scoring Programme:

Alister confirmed that both Auckland Club and John Eldridge had tested the latest release for the Scoring programme and were happy with it. A response from Duncan Badley as to a final release date was awaited.

Tournaments:

The draft skeleton 2007 schedule was with the National Coach for his recommendations.

B. CONGRESS

Richard advised that numbers for this year's Congress were extremely good with 527 to date. Val Gardiner had produced some postcards promoting the National Congress and was to distribute them at the World Championships in Verona. A letter of thanks would be sent to Val for her continued support of the Association and its activities.

C. FINANCE & SPONSORSHIP (Finance, Budgets, Investments, Sponsorship)

Finance:

Payments from 6 April to 12 June 2006 amounting to \$42,936.18 were ratified.

The Treasurer advised that the annual accounts had been finalised and signed together with a signed audit report. It was noted that detailed Congress accounts had not been included and Tony was asked to arrange this.

D. INTERNATIONAL (International, Trials, Zone 7)

International:

2010 PABF: Richard had circulated a report on the costs involved with running the 2010 PABF in Christchurch, Hamilton and Rotorua. It was agreed “**THAT** we make application to host the PABF Championships in 2010.”

Tony Lenart/Arleen Schwartz
CARRIED

It as agreed “**THAT** the venue be Hamilton.”

Alister Stuck/Noel Woodhall
CARRIED
Abstention: Tony Lenart

PABF 2006: Alan Turner and Tony Thomson were appointed Delegates to the PABF meetings. Tony Thomson would be asked to give a report on the 2010 PABF submission and Richard Solomon would produce the NZCBA Annual Activity Report.

E. REGULATIONS (Appeals, Constitution, Directing, Laws & Regulations)

There was nothing to report on Regulations.

D. SERVICES (Bridge Development, Coaching, Youth)

Bridge Development:

The latest Bridge Development Report from Richard Solomon had been circulated.

Schools Bridge: Richard advised that Alan Grant had produced another update which would be an alternative to the House of Cards proposal. It had been agreed that this would not be put on the website until it was finalised. Richard had also met with the House of Cards. They had not quantified the \$2,500 but it had been agreed to go ahead on a trial basis for one year. It would be necessary to find a way to promote this proposal to schools, possibly through the Education Department and Centre Development Officers. The House of Cards would be asked to assist by providing a suitable promotional document for circulation.

Teachers' Forum: Details had been sent to clubs and some response had been received. It was agreed that a cut-off date of 31 August would be imposed for application for Centre Grants.

Ethics Video: Arleen advised that this would be filmed at Congress.

Youth:

Richard advised that the youth weekends so far had been successful and outlined the format to be used for the third weekend in September.

There was discussion as to whether a guardian or mentor should be sent with the successful 4 pairs to Canberra in 2007 to oversee their performance. It was agreed “**THAT** a mentor accompany the youth squad to Canberra in January 2007”

Arleen Schwartz/Kay Nicholas

The Services Committee was asked to investigate and report back on the legal responsibilities of anyone accompanying under 16 and/or under 18 year olds.

The possibility of a Youth Team being sent to the 2007 PABF Championships would be discussed at the end of the three weekend programme. The sub committee were asked to provide a report with recommendations.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Alan Turner provided the Management Committee with documents and a verbal report on the management of the international programme to date.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be : **Saturday 1st July (8.30 a.m. Hamilton)**
 Friday 14/15 July, Wellington