

## Minutes for the committee meeting held 19 February 2016 7.45pm by Skype

**Present:** Colin Carryer, Bryan Green, Mairi Fitzsimons, Michelle England

**Apologies:** Les Gould

**Secretary In Attendance:** Sandra Calvert

- **Minutes of last meeting** – held 18<sup>th</sup> Sept 2015, Moved accepted by Bryan and seconded by Mairi. Carried
- **Correspondence Out:**
  - Memo to all clubs requesting 1. Interest in hosting 2016 events – giving them until 28<sup>th</sup> Feb to respond, 2. Top Junior & Intermediate Players names for the Trophies, 3. Confirming Cinema Advertising Campaign funding applications to be with committee by 30 April 2016.
  - Jan 2016 Draft Tournament schedule for 2017 sent out to clubs requesting they review & respond directly to Michelle by 26<sup>th</sup> Feb any clashes/changes. To date Michelle has not had many confirmations. Secretary to email Clubs to advise them that if they do not reply the schedule will be finalised.
  - Email sent to Taradale advising no budget received for Zelda Morris as requested and now we want the report, including financial and results. Subsequently Budget, Report & photos sent through.
- **Correspondence In:**
  - NZ Bridge minutes of Meeting 9<sup>th</sup> December 2015 – of note Club Teams Championships at Congress have been cancelled permanently.
  - Coaching Grants, Levin's was approved last year however another Clubs was declined as it did not meet NZCBA guidelines
  - NZ Bridge minutes of meeting 20<sup>th</sup> October – of note Otago Club & Otago Southland Regional Committee to be canvassed for interest in Hosting 2016 I/P's
  - NZ Bridge – Memo re appointment of National Directors and arrangements for National Tournaments in 2016 – we have the National 15A Teams on 19<sup>th</sup> November.

We will need to organise Match Committee once we know which Club is hosting.

- Email from Rona Driscoll re tournament publishing and getting things finalised – recommending drop box be canned & we use published draft directly on website.

Rona has sought feedback whether we think this would work, and Michelle has responded that it would work.

- Teachers Conference is 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> July at Franklin Bridge Club, Pukekohe.

It was discussed and moved by Bryan that the Committee encourage teachers to attend and reimburse .25cents per Km for travel. To be limited to 1 car claim per club /or 1 airfare whichever is the lower and the overall budget to be set at \$2,000.00 for the region. This was seconded by Michelle and carried. Clubs to apply by 28<sup>th</sup> May 2016.

- **Rubber Bridge** – Entry form sent out in January - To date we have received 11 entries, draw to be sent out next week. There are byes but can't be helped. It is noted that some clubs say they did not receive the form however it appears the email was sent to all clubs.
- **Inter Provincials** – Chef de Missions report received. Open 3<sup>rd</sup>, Seniors 4<sup>th</sup>, Womens 4<sup>th</sup>, Intermediate 4<sup>th</sup>. Overall CD was 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Dougal McLean Trophy

Michelle commented that the teams did well and the Chef de Mission's ( Don Nightingale) report was well written. Letter of thanks to be sent to Don Nightingale and all the players.

- **National Teams** – No club has put their hand up yet.

As people are already wanting to book flights Secretary to contact clubs who we think would be able to host enough tables – Namely New Plymouth and Hastings to see if they are willing. Palmerston North does not wish to host this year.

- **Tournament Change Requests 2016:**
  - Hawkes Bay Christmas Cheer 5A change of date from Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Nov to Sat 26<sup>th</sup> November – This was as a result of East Coast Reps getting together (exc Gisborne) and voting to prefer Saturday.
  - Hawkes Bay Clubs would like to apply for a 3B Novice Tournament to be held annually – this year at Havelock North Club on 13<sup>th</sup> Nov – one session only
  - Hastings Open Teams –change of date from Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2016 to Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2016

Much discussions were held on the above requested changes.

Bryan moved that the committee accept the Hawkes Bay Christmas Cheer change of date, however the Hastings Open Teams must remain as a Sunday this year however they are welcome to apply for a change to 2017 dates. The Hawkes Bay 3B Novice Tournament be declined as a 3B however we can advise them that that may run as a Novice tournament with C Points. Seconded by Michelle. Carried.

- **Tournament Change Requests 2017:**

- Waipukarau have requested Swiss pairs be changed from 23 Sept 2017 to 7<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Michelle to look at 2017 changes when all received from Clubs.

- **Zelda Morris & Fullartons:**

- Full Application has been received from Gisborne for Zelda Morris
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan Wanganui have submitted their interest in holding the Fullartons – Budget has been requested but not yet rec'd
- Full application from Hastings Bridge Club to host Fullartons and or Zelda Morris

We need to wait until 28<sup>th</sup> February for closure date.

- **Interprovincials** – It was proposed that the format for 2016 remain the same as last year and Martin Oysten to be approached to see if he will direct. We have not yet received advice from any Club willing to host yet. Bryan to contact Levin to see if they would be willing.

At this stage skype was cutting out and Colin and Sandra could not contribute so meeting was abandoned with next meeting to be scheduled for Wednesday 2 March 2016 7.30pm.

Meeting finished at 9.10pm

Minutes taken: .....Sandra Calvert, Secretary