



**MINUTES OF NEW ZEALAND BRIDGE BOARD MEETING**  
**Held at the Kairangi Bridge Club Wellington Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2016**  
**commencing at 8.30am**

**PARTICIPATING:** Arie Geursen (Chair), Alan Turner Allan Joseph, Phil Rutherford, Karen Martelletti and Noel Woodhall

**In Attendance** Murray Wiggins, Chief Director, Alister Stuck, National Secretary and Richard Solomon, Bridge Development Officer.

**1. WELCOME**

Arie welcomed all to the meeting.

**2. PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Copies of the following minutes were circulated prior to the meeting.

- Board Meeting Minutes 17 Nov 2016

Moved: that the Minutes of the Board meeting held 17 Nov 2016 be confirmed subject to the following amendment to resolution 100/2016.

That with effect from 18 November 2016 the following

Arie Geursen (Board member)  
Allan Paul Joseph (Board member)  
Karen Elizabeth Martelletti (Board member)  
Richard Harold Solomon (Bridge Development Officer)  
Alister Charles Stuck (*National Secretary*)

Olwyn Lesley Chubb (*Congress Organiser- Congress 00 account only*)

be authorised persons to operate all NZ Bridge Inc bank accounts with the Bank of New Zealand ( excepting the 00 and 25 accounts for each of the respective Regional Committees ) and whether as cheque signatories, for internet banking and/or view access and in relation to dealing in any manner with any Term Deposit with any trading bank, with all transactions continuing to require any two authorised persons acting jointly provided however that at least one such authorised person shall henceforth always be a Board member,

**CARRIED 103/2016**

### **3. CORRESPONDENCE**

Inward correspondence from the following was carried over from an earlier Meeting.

Alistair to respond to the following  
Stuart McKinlay  
Peter Bowyer

Karen to draft a standard response for those Clubs who have responded following the release of Alan Turners open letter.

Moved: that the Report summarising the Inward Correspondence be received and the outward correspondence approved.

**CARRIED 104/2016**

### **5. OUTSTANDING ITEMS**

Moved: that the updated list of Outstanding Items be received.

**CARRIED 105/2016**

- Karen and Richard to progress the amended proposal from Screen Vistas to have the Theatre Advert screened in 10 key locations over a two week period commencing early Feb 2017.

### **6. REGIONAL REPORTS & MEETING MINUTES**

Minutes from 3 Regions were received and circulated prior to the Meeting.

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| • Wellington Region Minutes | 20 Sept 2016 |
| • TOTS Region Minutes       | 8 Oct 2016   |
| • TOTS Region Minutes       | 12 Nov 2016  |
| • Canterbury Region Minutes | 18 Nov 2016  |

Moved: that the Minutes from the 3 Regions be received.

**CARRIED 106/2016**

## 7. BOARD REPORTS & MEETING MINUTES

### **Profit and Loss Reports**

Moved: that the P & L Reports for the months ending 31 October 2016 & 30 November 2016 be received.

**CARRIED 107/2016**

Matters arising:

- The Budget for the year ending 31 March 2017 to be finalised and ratified at the next meeting

### **Bridge Development Report (Richard Solomon)**

Moved: that the Bridge Development Report as circulated be received.

**CARRIED 108/2016**

Matters arising:

- Richard sought clarification from the Board as to its commitment to youth development projects for 2017 and the division of duties/responsibilities between his role and that undertaken by the Youth Advocate, Tracey Lewis.

Arie responded that the scope and delegation for the Youth Advocate role was adopted at the August meeting (80/2016). The Youth Advocate is a co-opted member of the International Committee with responsibility for NZB's Youth International Program and developing promising youth players coming through the schools program(s) run by the BDO.

Congress Organising Committee

Moved that the minutes from Congress Committee meeting held 28 October 2016 be received.

**CARRIED 109/2016**

Matters arising:

- On the recommendation of the Congress Organising Committee the 2017 AGM will commence at the earlier time of 9am on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September.

### **International Committee (Noel Woodhall)**

Noel summarised the minutes of the meeting held 13 November 2016

Moved: that the Minutes of the International Committee meeting held 13 November 2016 be received.

**CARRIED 110/2016**

Moved: that the Chef de Mission and 3 NPC reports relating to the Wroclaw events be received.

**CARRIED 111/2016**

Moved: that Noel Woodhall be added as a member of the International Committee.

**CARRIED 112/2016**

Moved: that Derek Evennett be appointed as Chairman of the International Committee until the vacancy on the Board was filled.

**CARRIED 113/2016**

Matters arising:

- The issue of start times for the designated 15A & 20A Team selection events was discussed. It was agreed that in all such cases play would not commence until 10.30am on the Saturday to allow time for participants to travel on the first morning of the event.  
This change is to apply to the SI Teams in Nelson scheduled for Feb 2017 and the North Island Teams in Auckland March.  
Murray to contact the host Club / Region to ensure that the new time is adhered to.

## **8. GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **Board Vacancy**

Moved: that Susan Hinkley be appointed to the Board to fill the vacancy following the resignation of Carol Richardson.

Alan Turner reaffirmed his earlier advice to the Board members that he did not support the appointment by this process and would not vote in favour of it.

Accordingly, and in accordance with rule 12.2 without unanimous support the resolution did not proceed.

Arie to advise all of the nominees of the decision and will he seek advice as to the correct process for filling a vacancy when the Board is unable to reach unanimity under rule 12.2.

**Annual Board elections March 2017**

Arie advised that Graham Wakefield had reviewed the nomination forms and had made minor changes. The paperwork would be forwarded to Alister distribution to the Clubs once the correct process for filling the casual vacancy had been clarified.

**Board Meeting Venue**

Murray and Noel raised concerns regarding the Kairangi Bridge Club following the recent earthquake. The building is yellow stickered but with earthquake strengthening work scheduled.

It was agreed that Alan Joseph would discuss with the Club and subject to clarification the next meeting would be held at the Club on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017 commencing at 8.30am.

The meeting closed at midday