

**MINUTES OF THE AUCKLAND/NORTHLAND REGIONAL COMMITTEE**

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2017, 10am  
Auckland Bridge Club**

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**PRESENT**

Sue Brown (Chair), Tony Morcom, Helene LaBreche, Bianca van Rangelrooy, Trevor Robb, Neil Beckett, Allan Dormer

**WELCOME**

Neil Beckett and Allan Dormer, incoming NZ Bridge Chair

Resolution; Chair moves to nominate Neil Beckett as a new member of the A/N regional Bridge committee, resolution seconded by Trevor

A/N Secretary to officially notify the secretary of NZ Bridge, Brian Ashwell has resigned and Neil Beckett to stand on A/N regional Committee in the capacity of Treasurer, subject to NZ bridge approval.

**APOLOGIES**

Richard Solomon

**MINUTES**

The minutes of the previous meeting, held on 22<sup>nd</sup> January, Sunday have been circulated

The minutes were agreed and confirmed, the word "regional" is to be added and the fonts be checked and corrected, Helene, seconded

**MATTERS ARISING**

Helene talks of changes made to the A/N website, the site is eight years out of date. \$189 has been quoted for an upgrade

Chair has asked Richard Bland to give Directors seminar to Northland members he has responded positively.

Secretary has asked Allan Joseph to give a Directors Seminar to the rest of the A/N region, before Directors exam. Secretary has communicated and a waiting reply.

Notice to clubs to go out regarding subsidies

Regarding correspondence; Helene suggests to secretary, send all emails to A/N clubs using the CC option, to discourage spam.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

### **Inwards**

Skipper ongoing correspondence to do with nominations to NZ board  
Allan Morris

### **Outwards**

Secretary emails Angel Royle for information regarding past policy on subsidizing clubs for advertising  
Secretary invites Alan Joseph, to take Directors Seminar  
Secretary notifies NZ Bridge, Chief director Murry Wiggins; Russell Watts stepping down from A/N Recorder and Christine, Wilson to replace

### **Financials**

New levy coming in, Master Points

Out goings

\$108 spent on Lunch, at Orewa club, at meeting ran by Allan Morrison

A/N committee members to be reimbursed travel costs to attend the Allan Morris meeting at Orewa

Chair moves the adoption of financial report, Trevor seconds

Neil Beckett is to be added as an administrator to the BNZ account's

## **General Business**

Christine Wilson to replace Russell Watts as A/N Recorder, Chief Director to be notified and changes formalized

Secretary to inform the Chief Director of the proposed change, and once in place to inform all A/N clubs and to send the definition of conflict, A12 Mandate of procedure.

Date and venue, to be set for the next regional conference, secretary, to ask Jane Stearns, if she is available and willing to be the guest speaker

Clubs to be sent an informative letter, stating all proposed remits are to go through the A/N R Committee rather than to NZ bridge.

## **Tournaments**

Regional Easter Congress' Tony to sort out

IP trials, May 13<sup>th</sup>

Secretary to ask Alister, Secretary of NZ Bridge, if Inter Provincials can be run over 2 weekends

Rubber Bridge, committee decides to stick to existing format, Neil thinks video clip will help promotion

Trevor to sort out and send promotional information to Helene to put on A/N website

Dates to be set and Flier promoting 2017 Inter provincial trial to be sent to all A/N clubs

Tony responds to the committee, regarding the Auckland bridge club manager's query "Is there a succession plan in place for dealing of cards."

Tony has time now that he is retired, Julie is happy to fill in and Patrick deals his own cards for the Auckland bridge club.

## **Marketing**

Helene asks for an answer, regarding receiving a subsidy from the A/N regional committee, to cover advertising costs in the Northshore Times, for the ECB Bridge club. Trevor says yes, we need a quote.

Neil suggests, we need to look at an overall strategy at a national level.

Papatoetoe bridge club is now below the 100 member threshold, regarding subsidy allocation.

Discussion ensues,

Chair resolves ANRC will give a marketing grant, to all A/N clubs, on the production of an invoice, up to a \$300 total to cover 50% of cost.

(Trevor) there should be no restriction on club size, regardless of membership numbers for a club to ask for a subsidy, all in favor, Neil abstains

Neil gives Jane Stearns report outlining Papatoetoe's proposal to promote and grow the club. Radio Advertising perceived as the best option.

Discussion ensues

Chair is interested in the regional aspect of radio advertising

Chair and Trevor are in agreement to give a subsidy to Papatoetoe to the sum of \$4,500, if the money is spent promoting all clubs in the A/N region and subject to the wording of the promotional material

The secretary of the A/N regional committee is to send a letter stating the A/NRC will subsidize the Papatoetoe club to the sum of \$300 to cover 50% of their advertising costs

**The meeting finished at 12.15**

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**Next meeting of the ANRC, Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July ,11.30am**

Signed: Chair:

Date: