



Wellington Regional Bridge Committee

**Minutes of Committee Meeting held at the Wellington Bridge Club
Tuesday 24th November 2015**

Present:

Dinnie Hall (Chair), Heather Jared (Treasurer), Paul Maxwell, Anthea Black (Secretary)

Apologies:

Tony Sutich

Approval of Minutes of Meeting:

Moved Paul/Seconded Heather – that with the minor amendment to the Finance Report the Minutes of the Committee Meeting held Tuesday 15 September 2015 be taken as read and confirmed – agreed

Matters arising:

From Meeting held 19 May

- review previous edition of website for archival material such as winners of tournaments Tony
- during the summer months Committee to meet at Wellington Bridge Club to go through old hard copies of WRBC files stored at the club Committee

From Meeting held 16 June

- Introduce a code of conduct and participation for players to sign when representing the region and have them provide the Committee with a system card prior to participation in the IP's. (This item deferred to 2016) Dinnie
- Work towards supporting a club holding a three day event in 2017- the Committee agreed to notify NZBridge of its intention to hold a Metropolitan event over Labour weekend in 2017 Committee

From Meeting held 23 July

- Heather to send Anthea a copy of an invoice to forward to Sponsors prior to 2016 Congress Completed

From Meeting held 15 September

- Add to the February 2016 Clubs Meeting agenda that Clubs should endeavour to have junior players separately from Intermediates at tournaments. Completed

Finance:

Working (cheque account)	4 Sept 15	Opening Balance	\$ 127.50
	30 Sept	Closing	\$ 1,541.45
	30 Oct	Closing	\$2,229.75
Savings	4 Sept	Opening balance	\$27,038.30
	30 Sept	Closing	\$25,086.43
	30 Oct	Closing	\$23,130.14

Moved Heather/Seconded Anthea - that the financial report be accepted – agreed

Correspondence:**To:**

- Nil

From:

- As circulated by NZ Bridge / off special note:
- Email of 30 November calling for nominations to the Board
- Email of 21 October attaching draft minutes of the 2015 annual meeting
- Email of 21 October attaching Board Minutes advising Dean Sole as the Wellington Recorder
- Email of 22 November re cancellation of National Teams (for discussion under tournaments)

The Committee discussed the appointment of Dean Sole as the Wellington Recorder. The Committee agreed, although it is not required by the Constitution, that it should have been advised prior to reading the Board Minutes that a new Recorder for the Region had been appointed.

Moved Anthea/Seconded Paul - that the correspondence as listed be accepted – agreed.

Tournaments:

- IP's – Heather commented that she is receiving reimbursement claims spasmodically from the representatives.
- Christmas Cheer – to be held at the Wellington Club on 12 December. The Committee discussed the budget of \$3,965 exclusive if GST for the event and that it is anticipated that there will be a small deficient of approximately \$100. As the budget for food is \$2,800 the Committee considered ways in which this could be reduced but agreed that to reduce the quality or quantity could mean reduced numbers attending. It was noted the WRBC underwrites this tournament. It was suggested that the Wellington Club be advised to increase the entry fee next year to \$45.
It was moved Heather / seconded Paul - that the 2015 Christmas Cheer budget of \$3,965 be accepted – agreed Anthea
It was moved Heather / seconded Paul – to spend up to \$50 on spot prizes for the Christmas Cheer - agreed. Anthea
- Congress – It was suggested:
 - to draw attention to the flyer that the header above the photo be yellow Dinnie
 - 72 boards over one day can be split

- the final of the teams be 5 rounds of 10 boards with the draw in reverse order
- if there are 30 teams there could be 8 finalists
- there was discussion in regards to how many boards must be played on the first day so that players can be award A, or partial A points. Allan to check the requirements with the Chief Tournament Director
- website to contain additional information such as dietary requirements to be advised at the time of entry, format may change etc
- flyer to go out early January
- Cancellation of National teams – noted with disappointment

Allan

Anthea

Dinnie

General Business:

- Youth subsidy grant to Elizabeth Schuck. Heather has deposited the grant in Elizabeth's bank account
- Sponsorship policy document (circulated prior to this agenda) - as the document was not discussed comments to be circulated via email
- Junior League – Tony's hard work noted
- Letter from WBC seeking financial support for holding the Ron Klinger workshops – it was noted that the request for a refund of \$245 is outside the Committee's original agreement to subsidise the Ron Klinger workshops if the required player numbers were not met. Moved Anthea / seconded Paul – That the Committee, in this instance, refund the Wellington Bridge Club \$245 (exclusive of GST) – agreed
- Clubs Meeting Sunday 21 February 2016 (draft agenda circulated along with this agenda) – comments to be circulated via email
- Allan advised that the Masterton Bridge Club cancelled its tournament due to insufficient numbers. He explained that the Tournament Director went to considerable trouble to ensure she was well prepared for this tournament only to be advised shortly before the event that it had been cancelled. It was agreed that the Masterton Club to be advised:
 - if any Club applies for a tournament to be held it should proceed no matter the reason for the cancellation
 - the WRB Committee is available to advise and help to organise tournaments even if player numbers are low.

All

Anthea

All

Dinnie

There was "In Committee" discussion

The Meeting closed at 12.15pm