



MINUTES OF CENTRAL DISTRICTS REGIONAL COMMITTEE

**Held Sunday September 25th 2011 at the Palmerston North
Bridge Club commencing at 9.30am**

PARTICIPATING: Les Gould, Jean Bennett, Val Gardiner, Don Nightingale & Alan Doddridge

In Attendance:, Alister Stuck acting Secretary / Treasurer

Apologies: Wayne Burrows

1. WELCOME

Alister welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was noted that any outstanding meeting minutes would be recirculated and confirmed at the next meeting.

3. CORRESPONDENCE

The list of Inward and Outward Correspondence was circulated prior to the meeting.

Moved that the Inward Correspondence be received.

CARRIED

One Item were flagged for further discussion

The email from Bob Hurley regarding player education to achieve a better understanding of Laws 73A & 73D was discussed. Les agreed to respond.

4. GENERAL BUSINESS

- **Appointment of Officers**

In accordance with clause 16.5 of the NZ Bridge Constitution the Committee took the opportunity to elect its Chairperson.

Moved that Les Gould be appointed TO REPLACE Wayne Burrows as Chairperson of the CD Regional Committee.

CARRIED

Val Gardiner abstained

Les agreed to contact outgoing Chairperson Wayne Burrows at the conclusion of the meeting and requested that a vote of thanks to him be recorded in the minutes.

Alan advised that he will contact Dorothy Mackay of Levin who may be interested in the Secretary Treasurer position.

- **Bank Signatories**

Moved that the Bank Signatories be Wayne Burrows, Les Gould & Don Nightingale .

CARRIED

- **Online Banking**

Moved that Don and Les be authorised to make arrangements with the BNZ for online banking access.

CARRIED

- **Allocation of Portfolios**

It was agreed that consideration be given to allocation various areas of responsibility to each Committee Member. Les will draft and circulate a list prior to the next meeting.

- **Website**

The meeting discussed the state and suitability of the Regions Website. It was agreed that this was in urgent need of an upgrade.

Moved that Alan be authorised to obtain quotes for a new Website and that an initial amount of \$1000 be earmarked for this project.

CARRIED

Val suggested the possibility of a Sponsor for the Website and was authorised to progress this and report back by the next meeting.

- **Email Account- Clear Network**

It was agreed that the email account with Clear be discontinued Alister will contact Ann Hill in an effort to obtain details to access the account. If this information cannot be retrieved Les is authorised to contact Clear direct.

- **NPC Reports- 2012 Interprovincials**

It was agreed that the 2012 NPC Reports be circulated to the Committee and discussed at the next meeting.

- **Selection Policy 2012 Interprovincials**

Moved that the selection be by way of Pairs Trials over the weekend of June 9 & 10 2011 at the Palmerston North Bridge Club (subject to availability).

CARRIED

Moved that Don be appointed as Trials Convener for 2012.

CARRIED

It was agreed that where possible billets would be made available for Trialists who face significant travel to the Palmerston North venue. Alan agreed to co- ordinate this.

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- **Club Teams Play-Offs**

It was agreed that the selection format used this year would remain for 2012. Accordingly heats would be held in the East and West on Sunday march 18th 2012 with the winners of each heat then playing off to represent the Region in Hamilton. It was noted that Palmerston North Club will be offered a place in the final by NZ Bridge as title holders for 2011 and accordingly would not contest the regional selection event.

It was agreed that Hawera or Wanganui be asked to host the western event and Wairoa the eastern section.

- **NZ Bridge Regional Conferences**

Don expressed disappointment that the Region was not represented that the Regional Conference in August and that no Regional Report was tabled at the Conference. It was agreed that the Region would ensure that it is represented at future Conferences.

Alister advised that there was an opportunity for the Region to host a Conference in 2012. It was agreed that an offer to hold the August Conference be forwarded to NZ Bridge subject to the availability of the Palmerston North Bridge Club facilities.

- **Finance**

Alister detailed Bank balances as follows:

Chq \$336.16

Call \$5978.92

Moved that the payments as previously circulated be approved.

CARRIED

- **Youth Programme**

It was agreed that concerted effort be made to develop and retain a pool of youth players so that the Region is represented at the Youth Interprovincials. It was further agreed that funding will be made available to subsidise and support those players.

- **Future Meeting Dates**

It was agreed that the Committee would conduct two face to face meetings per year in addition to the regular meetings via Skype.

Next Meeting Thursday 27th October 7.30pm (Skype)

10.50am Meeting Closed