



TOP OF THE SOUTH REGION

A Committee of New Zealand Bridge

Minutes of Meeting held on Saturday 14 May 2011

Present:

Steve Gray (chair); Phil Rutherford; Chris Marshall (Treasurer);
Robin Young (Secretary)

Apologies: Sally More; Leigh Gamby

Sustained

Minutes: 29 January 2011; 19 March 2011

Moved they be accepted as a true and accurate record
Chris/Phil

Carried

Matters arising:

- Sponsorship: ongoing **Phil**
- Richmond BC: SGM held; new committee elected
- 15A Swiss Pairs 2012: 8/9 September; Nelson BC to host

Correspondence In:

- NZ Bridge: minutes 17/18 April;
announcement of regional committee changes
announcement of NZ Board appointment
- Marlborough BC: letter on the running of regional tournaments
- Nelson BC: requesting dispensation for Helen Robinson to direct their
5A Pairs 11 June.
- Central Districts Region: copies of letters re G Palmer

Out:

- Pub Charity: funding application for I/P accommodation
- Memo to clubs re coaching grants
- NZ Bridge: I/P Teams

Moved that the inward correspondence be received and the outward
approved. Steve/Chris

Carried

Matters Arising from the Correspondence:

Addressed in general business

Finance:

Treasurer's report:-

Annual Financial Report for year ending 31/3/2011 was tabled.

I/P accommodation excess due to some single room payments; and GST refund being retained by NZ Bridge. The annual report was approved.

Moved the Treasurer's report be accepted; with thanks to the Treasurer.

Phil/Steve

Carried

General Business:

1: I/Ps

Phil reported that he had made an application to Pub Charity, for an I/P accommodation grant of \$3,967.83. Being full funding for 3 nights on a twin share basis.

Agreed to bring a request to the next regional Conference, that NZ Bridge return GST refunds on Charity I/P accommodation grants to the region concerned.

Chris

Phil reported that there was an I/P travel cost of \$1,234 in excess of the NZ Bridge travel refund in 2010.

Agreed that in 2012 the Region would consider refunding I/P travel costs in excess of the NZ Bridge travel refund, if bookings had been made within 6 weeks of team selection. But payments for I/P costs not to exceed 20% of income.

Agreed to bring a request to the next regional Conference, that NZ Bridge reintroduce reimbursement of actual I/P travel costs for bookings made promptly.

Chris

Agreed that the host club for the I/P Trials keeps any profit; and carries any loss.

2: Regional Tournaments

In reply to Marlborough BC's letter, it was agreed that it was the responsibility of the Regional representative on the match committee, to see that the tournament was run in a satisfactory manner. It was felt that if Alister emailed the entry notice to all NZ clubs, and put it on the NZ website, there was no further cost effective publicity available.

Phil was appointed the Regional representative on the match committee for the 10A pairs being held in Westport on 12/13 Nov. Phil to be sent a copy of Kay Nicholas's guidelines

Robin

Swiss 15A Pairs 8/9 September 2012. To be hosted by Nelson BC. If entries exceeded space available at Nelson; either a larger venue, or split venues with Richmond be considered. 1 set of boards will be needed for every 4 tables. NZ Bridge will supply extra boards and bridge pads.

3: Coaching Grants

Picton applied for a grant of \$100 for photocopying for learners lessons.

Golden Bay applied for a grant for intermediate lessons. Invitations to this had been extended to players from Motueka, Richmond, and Nelson.

Moved that this grants be approved, subject to a budget from Golden Bay covering, accommodation, travel, meals and photocopying. Chris/Steve **Carried**

Moved that the region consider meeting reasonable claims above the NZ Bridge \$1,000 grant. Chris/Steve **Carried**

4: Director Dispensation

Nelson BC's request for dispensation be given for Helen Robinson to direct the nelson 5A Pairs on 11 June was approved. **Robin**

Clubs to be reminded that they must ask all tournament directors if they will direct before they may apply for dispensation for a club director to direct a 5A tournament. **Robin**

5: February regional Conference in Dunedin

Steve gave a brief report; mentioning that the teaching modules were now not expected before the end of the year.

The meeting closed at 12.42 pm