



Otago/Southland Regional Committee

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MINUTES - Otago/Southland Regional Committee

Friday, 7pm, 17 February 2012, Otago Bridge Club

Present: Kristen Collins (in Chair), John Mitchell, Frances Sheehy, Marilyn Jackson, Ann-Louise Stokes, Frank Gradon, Lynne Fegan

Confirmation of Minutes: 3 December, 2011

Copies of 3 December 2011 Minutes were circulated prior to the meeting. Moved that the Minutes as circulated, be confirmed. Jackson/Mitchell

Matters Arising:

Director Training – refer General Business
IP Trial Format, Requirements & Selection – refer General Business

Correspondence Inwards:

Email from Winton unhappy about late changes to 2012 tournament schedule
NZB Minutes of 9 Dec 2011 Meeting
NZB Board Resolution of 16 December
NZB 17 Dec letter re Gerry Palmer
NZB 17 Dec NZ Bridge 2012 Int'l Trial Datum Calculations
NZB 17 Dec NZ Bridge International Programme 2012
NZB 7 Jan - Rona Driscoll 2013 National Tournament Schedule
NZB 9 Jan request for Kristen & Ann-Louise to go to Regional Conference 25 April
NZB 16 Jan - Nomination forms for Regional Committee
NZB 16 Jan - R Solomon's email requesting IP Travel estimates
NZB 20 Jan - R Solomon's email on 2012 National Bridge Congress Entry Forms
NZB 20 Jan – 2012 Nat Bridge Congress format information
NZB 25 Jan Minutes of Board Meeting
30 Jan – Youth Player Tournament Entry Fee Reimbursement
NZB 3 Feb – Jean Peche Nominations due 31 March
NZB 4 Feb - A Guersen's format for 15A pt tournaments
Nescafe Proposal for Congress
Feb 15 Jared Fudge – request for date for 5A fundraising tournament

Correspondence Outwards:

Email response to Winton's comments on tournament changes

Email to NZ Bridge in support of Jan Davidson's request for a set of boards and cards

Email of congratulations to all new directors

Regional Newsletter

Financial Report: See separate detailed papers

Current – 30 Nov 11 – 5 Feb 12 - \$ 1,084.18

On Call – 30 Nov 11 – 5 Feb 12 - \$11,866.12

Congress – 30 Nov 11 – 5 Feb 12 - \$ 35.24

Accounts for Payment/Approval

K Collins expenses	166.43
Bridge NZ (cards for Jan Davidson)	498.35
NZB Masterpoint charges	821.84

General Business:

- 1) **SI Teams update** – Kristen & Ann-Louise reported that everything was on track for the weekend.
- 2) **Queenstown** – Confirmed we would pay the full amount of \$330 for their Improvers Lessons
- 3) **Youth Player Re-imburement**

Jared Fudge requested that as four ex-Youth Players no longer qualify to receive Tournament Fee reimbursements (J Coutts, C Benson, A Molloy, A Bloxham), the cap of \$150 be increased for the five eligible Youth Players (S Bailey, G & S Coutts, V Bouton & J Fudge).

The Committee felt that the cap should remain at \$150 owing to an expected increase in Youth Players ex Oamaru classes, however it agreed to refund their \$100 for the Youth Training Weekend in May.

- 4) **Youth Player – 5Apt fundraising tournament for Otago Youth Players**

Alister Stuck has allocated 5A pts for a Fundraising Tournament for Otago Youth Players. Jared suggested 5 May or 7 July as possible dates. The committee rejected 5 May as it clashed with Wanaka's Tournament. Marilyn is to check on the date of an Interclub event between Invercargill and Winton to see if 7 July would be suitable.

- 5) **Jean Peche Youth Award Nominations**

The Committee would like to nominate Sam Bailey for this award, with particular mention not to confuse him with his brother Nick Bailey. Nominations close 31 March.

6) IP Trials & Format - Requirements, Selection & Actual Trials

Kristen presented her proposal for the IP Trials and format. This was well received and will be sent out to all clubs and interested persons as soon as possible

Gradon/Jackson

7) Committee Travel Allowance

This was brought up for discussion and it was felt appropriate to pay all members for a return trip, where applicable. This would mean that meetings did not have to be based around a tournament the following day. This was agreed unanimously.

Jackson/Sheehy

8) Director Training

Still trying to find a suitable time with Dennis McCaughan. There is a possibility of Allan Joseph presenting a seminar or two in a couple of clubs after the Congress in June. Lynne will check his availability.

9) 2012 Congress – Lynne & Ann-Louise to work through the template.

10) Regional Committee Nominations

Kristen, Marilyn, Frances & Ann-Louise confirmed their availability for nomination. Frank Gradon is stepping down and John Mitchell is undecided at present.

11) Strategic Plan

- **Maniototo Update** from Lynne. The committee will try and hold their next meeting in Ranfurly next to discuss their needs and how we may be able to help.
- **Championship League** – this still needs some work done on it as a matter of urgency.
- **Website** – try and get more clubs interested in using the website

12) Update from L Fegan on NZ Bridge

Outstanding Masterpoint Return from Gore, last one received was September 2011, Marilyn to follow up.

13) Otago Southland Interclub Teams – 6 May

Send out Poster to clubs informing of the event.

Date of Next Meeting: to be advised once confirmation from Ranfurly.

Declare the meeting closed at: 9.50pm