



**MINUTES OF NEW ZEALAND CONTRACT BRIDGE ASSOCIATION
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
Held at the Wellington Bridge Club Wellington
At 5.30 pm on Friday 20 July 2007**

PRESENT Alister Stuck (Chair), Kay Nicholas, Arie Geursen, Murat Genc, Tony Lenart, Arleen Schwartz, Norm Silcock, Richard Solomon, Noel Woodhall and Trish Scott

APOLOGY Sue Edwards and for lateness Arie Geursen
Moved Norm Silcock Seconded Kay Nicholas **CARRIED**

MINUTES Minutes from the meeting held 22 June were accepted and confirmed as a correct record
Proposed Kay Nicholas Seconded Norm Silcock **CARRIED**

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Bridge Teachers Assn	Richard still working on this
Dorchester Information	Contained in newsletter and Bridge Magazine
Research Proposal	Issue clarified
Funding Requests	Letters and cheques sent. To be formalised with completion of form, for each request. Form has been sent to Centres. Spreadsheet required to cover annual expenditure
Rating Point	Information on website amended and clarification sought re amendment to system.
Tournament Changes	Letters have or will be written regarding requests for change
Registered Office	Registered Office address amended
Overseas Players	Letter clarifying Overseas players are Open until able to prove otherwise to NZCBA
Scoring Package	On Agenda
Baden Wilson	Clarification this does not include points earned in Australia – information included on website
Date of Congress	Sub Committee working through conflict of dates with WBF
Gold Master Awards	Clarification required prior to Congress
Correspondence	Letters written to N Woodhall; H Thomson re international programme
2008 Trials	Wellington Club's offer to host has been accepted
AGM Preparation	On Agenda
Budget / PABF 2010	Both on Agenda

CORRESPONDENCE

MOTION that the inwards and outwards correspondence as tabled be accepted
Moved Kay Nicholas Seconded Arleen Schwartz **CARRIED**

RATIFICATION

MOTION that Graham Wakefield be co-opted to fill the short term temporary vacancy on the Management Committee as Per A.15 21. Casual Vacancies
Moved Alister Stuck Seconded Norm Silcock **CARRIED**

SUB COMMITTEE REPORTS

Services Richard spoke to his report
Youth Weekend Went well and a valuable experience for those who attended
Dorchester Brief discussion regarding Financial Companies, investments and percentage returns.
Youth Discussion regarding school involvement. Two Australian youth teams coming to Congress and although there will not be any tests there will be play with our youth over last Friday night and Saturday. Teams will be by invitation - Congress will not pay travel costs but offer room at half price for Friday night. There will be eight free entries at Canberra for New Zealand youth which will be offered first to those who play in Hamilton.
Membership Players need to be a member of an affiliated club to play at Congress – Clubs are affiliated to Centres who are affiliated to NZCBA. Overseas players are members of affiliated clubs.
SPARC Registration of NZCBA being followed up by Richard.
Research Proposal Initial information indicated the application for substantial funding would be by researchers who initiated the proposal and requesting NZCBA support. This was supported if it only involved minimal input by NZCBA but later indications were that this application would be in the name of NZCBA. Management Committee does not support application in the name of NZCBA. Letter to be written to applicants.

Congress **Club Tournament** Two clubs with membership of less than 120 can amalgamate for this tournament. – no change to this.
Website working well – acknowledgment of the work David Stephen has put into this. Discussion regarding achieving the systems into the congress web – Richard following up.
 Issue of the date of Congress conflicting with international programme – this will be re-visited after the International Programme review

Administration

Scoring Package Considerable time and effort has been put into achieving a resolution to the current situation. The Source Code is available for use. 5.8 and 6.1 will be the last produced under the current package by NZCBA. Subject to the required agreement being drawn up by the NZCBA Solicitor, Martin Oyston of Bridge New Zealand will, under licence, take over the source code, will offer support and a helpdesk. Any ongoing relationship will be between the Clubs and Martin. Any future products created – this will be up to the Clubs to purchase from Martin. Martin will deposit a copy of any product produced with the NZCBA as part of the licence agreement. Any change to Congress requirements would be purchased from Martin.

Movements / Handicapping Julie Atkinson, with a small group, to look at creating a manual with guide cards and scoring files

MOTION the Arie Geursen be authorised to negotiate with Martin Oyston and the NZCBA Solicitor, a contract regarding licence agreement and communicate this information to the Clubs.

Moved Kay Nicholas Seconded Norm Silcock

CARRIED

Meeting thanked Arie for his work done around the scoring package

MOTION that Julie Atkinson be approached to do a project around movements and handicapping

Moved Arie Geursen Seconded Kay Nicholas

CARRIED

Arie to follow up with Julie

Accommodation

MOVED that the new contract be signed with the Portland Hotel which is offering \$135 a night, includes breakfast.

Moved Norm Silcock Seconded Kay Nicholas

CARRIED

AGM Draft papers previously circulated to the meeting discussed.

Noel following up regarding costings around the third remit

Nominations

MOTION that David Macdonald FCA be nominated as Auditor

Moved Noel Woodhall Seconded Norm Silcock

CARRIED

MOTION that Johnny Lenart be nominated as Honorary Solicitor

Moved Arie Geursen Seconded Norm Silcock

CARRIED

MOTION that Tony Lenart be nominated as Treasurer

Moved Alister Stuck Seconded Noel Woodhall

MOTION That no increase in honorarium for the Treasurer be paid at this time

Moved Arie Geursen Seconded Kay Nicholas

CARRIED

Kay to make amendments to the annual report as discussed

Finance

Budget versus actuals not yet available. Information on year to date should be available at the end of the month. Funding for 2010 PABF - \$25,000 a year as up to \$120,000 will be required. Ministry of Economic Development, re international/ national recreation and sporting events - to be approached. Discussion regarding current position – the three month period April to June. Deficits not sustainable – need to cut expenditure and / or find alternative funding.

MOTION That the Schedule of payments as circulated be approved

Moved Tony Lenart Seconded Murat Genc

CARRIED

International

Comprehensive reports have today been received by the Management Committee, covering the Bandung competition.

Constitution

Discussion regarding any feedback received. If a Centre is looking for someone to follow up the Solicitors, Johnny Lenart and /or Graham Wakefield could be available to do this.

General Business

Life Membership – Any proposal for life membership needs to have 3/4 support of the general meeting of the NZCBA Council. Sue Edwards to be asked to follow up current proposal.

Masterpoint Programme – yet to receive outline of proposal.

Next Meeting

To be held in Christchurch on Friday 31 August

Apologies from Arleen and Noel both of whom will be overseas.