

MINUTES OF NEW ZEALAND BRIDGE BOARD MEETING Held via Zoom link up Call Tuesday 22nd October 2020 commencing at 4.30pm

PARTICIPATING: Allan Morris (Chair), John Skipper, Sue Brown, Karen Martelletti & Anne Barrowclough until 5.00pm.

In Attendance: Richard Solomon, Manager Major Events & Bridge Education, Murray Wiggins, Chief Director, Alister Stuck, National Secretary.

Apologies -

WELCOME

Allan welcomed all to the meeting.

NOTING

Updated Task List and the Interest lists were reviewed and noted.

PREVIOUS MINUTES

Copies of the following minutes were circulated prior to the meeting.

1.	Board Meeting Minutes	25 Aug 2020
2.	AGM Minutes (draft)	14 Oct 2020

Moved: that the minutes of the Board meeting held 25 Aug 2020 be confirmed, and the draft minutes for the 2020 AGM held 14th Oct 2020 be received and held over to the 2021 AGM to be confirmed. (John/Anne) **CARRIED 055/2020**

CORRESPONDANCE

The meeting reports, ballot papers and candidate Cv's for the WBF Executive Council were circulated prior to the meeting.

REGIONAL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting Minutes from the following Regions were circulated prior to the meeting:

1. CD Region Minutes	07 Aug 2020
2. Waikato Bays Region Minutes	17 Aug 2020

Moved: that the meeting minutes from Central Districts & Waikato Bays Regions be received.

(Karen/Sue)

CARRIED 056/2020

REPORTS & OPERATIONAL MATTERS

Finance

Sue presented her report along with the P & L report for Sept 2020, YTD & the proforma balance sheet for the year to 31 March 2021 were circulated prior to the meeting.

Moved: that the Financial Report, P & L report for Sept 2020, YTD & the balance sheet for the year to 31 March 2021 be received. (Sue/John) CARRIED 057/2020

Player Grading Project

John's reports were circulated prior to the meeting. Moved: that the player grading project report be received. (John/Allan)

CARRIED 058/2020

Investment Strategy

Sue spoke to the draft policy document and the investment proposal from Core Wealth Ltd that were circulated prior to the meeting.

It was agreed that a second proposal would be sought from Craigs Investments Ltd and Fisher Funds Ltd. Allan to seek these and report back. Policy document to be held over pending receipt of the other quotes.

Operations Report

Alister's report was circulated prior to the meeting. Moved: that the operations report be received. (John/Anne)

CARRIED 059/2020

Matters Arising:

Tournament Grades 2021

It was agreed that the following changes to the tournament grade trigger points will apply for 2021.

Players ranked "Provincial Master" and above will be graded as open for tournament purposes for 2021.

Tournament Offerings 2021

It was agreed that for 2021 some flexibility with the tournament offering would be implemented. The rationale is to make up for the loss of events able to proceed this year. Accordingly, Regions and Clubs will be able to (upon application to the National Secretary) upgrade mini congress events from 10A to 15A. Further, additional days may be added to these events.

Bulletins outlining these changes and information regarding any change to the rating points depreciation rate to be drafted and shared as soon as possible.

Manager – Major Events & Bridge Education

Richard provided a summary of activities since the last meeting. Moved: that Richards report be received. (Sue/Karen) CARRIED 060/2020

Regional Committee Review Group

Karen spoke to her report which had been circulated prior to the meeting. Moved: that the Regional Committee Review Group report be received. (Karen/John) CARRIED 061/2020

HEALTH & SAFETY

No issues recorded since last meeting.

GENERAL BUSINESS

WBF Executive Council Nominations

After reviewing the nominations and candidate's CV's NZ Bridge will support the following candidates. Tonje Brogeland, Wang Yannan & Fernando Lema. Alister to complete the paperwork and return electronically to the independent scrutineer appointed to act for the WBF.

NZ Bridge Foundation

A recommendation signed by 4 of the current Trustees proposing that clause 6.3c (v11) of the foundation trustee deed be amended to read:

"has been a trustee for a period of three consecutive years since the date of their appointment as a trustee or most recent appointment as a trustee, with a maximum of 3 x 3-year terms.

Moved: that the change to the Foundation Trust deed be amended as above. (Allan/John) CARRIED 062/2020

Moved: that the resignations of Foundation Trustees Derek Evennett, Peter Bowyer, Jonathan Westoby and Dennis McKinlay be accepted and that they be reappointed for a new term of 3 years commencing 22 Oct 2020. (Allan/John) CARRIED 063/2020

Matters Arising:

Trustee Kay Nicholas did not participate in this exercise and will complete her term of office 17 June 2021.

Appointment of Honorary Auditor

Moved that Paul Hangartner be appointed as honorary auditor for the FYI ending 31 Mar 2021. (Allan/ Sue)

CARRIED 064/2020

Proposal Youth Week January 2021

Allan outlined the draft from Sam Coutts for a youth week to be held in January. Unanimous support the for the proposal. Allan to revert to Sam to get a detailed plan with costings.

ABF- Online Bridge Recorder and Review Panel

Agreed to participate in this project. NZB bridge will approach suitable people who may wish to be part of a panel to be called upon from time to time to look at hands and or actions under review.

Meeting Closed at 5.47pm