

# MINUTES OF NEW ZEALAND BRIDGE BOARD MEETING Held via Zoom link up Call Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2020 commencing at 4.00pm

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

**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 the recent resignation from Greg Whitten.

#### 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

22 Oct 2020

Moved: that the minutes of the Board meeting held 22 Oct 2020 be confirmed. (John/Anne) CARRIED 065/2020

# **Discussion- Major Events Impacting on the Organisation**

Allan presented the draft of the Marketing Plan. Feedback to Allan with in the next 7 days. Allan to seek feedback from a sample of Clubs and the Regional Bridge Mates prior to rolling to the Clubs for full consultation.

### **CORRESPONDANCE**

The meeting received the letter of resignation from Kay Nicholas as a Trustee of the NZ Bridge Foundation.

Alister to acknowledge and thank Kay for her service to the Foundation.

The letter from the Hastings Bridge Club regarding the recent CDD Committee decision and its publication was circulated earlier today.

John to draft a response.

#### **REGIONAL COMMITTEE MINUTES**

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

CD Region Minutes
 Waikato Bays Region Minutes
 Sept 2020
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Moved: that the meeting minutes from Central Districts & Waikato Bays Regions be received.

(Karen/Anne) CARRIED 066/2020

## **REPORTS & OPERATIONAL MATTERS**

#### **Finance**

Sue presented her report along with the P & L report for Oct 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 Oct 2020, YTD & the balance sheet for the year to 31 March 2021 be received.

(Sue/Karen) CARRIED 067/2020

# **Operations Report**

Alister's report was circulated prior to the meeting.

Moved: that the operations report be received.

(John/Anne) CARRIED 068/2020

## Matters Arising:

Alister expressed his concern regarding the state of the Regional Committees with at least 3 of them with insignificant number to function correctly. The Board to manage this issue with urgency.

# Manager - Major Events & Bridge Education

Richard's report was circulated prior to the meeting.

Of note is the work being undertaken to price up the various Congress events for 2021 and to update an online payment function for the players.

Auckland to host the 2021 Interprovincials.

Moved: that Richard's report be received.

(Sue/John) CARRIED 069/2020

## **Investment Strategy**

Allan to circulate proposals from two other parties over the next few days.

#### **HEALTH & SAFETY**

No issues recorded since last meeting.

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

## Review & Recommendation- Restricted Open Events 2020 & Beyond

Following a review of the trial events held during 2020 and the feedback from players and clubs it was agreed to roll these events out in 2021 but limited to players ranked at Provincial Master or below with Masterpoints off the 8B scale.

# **Regional Committee Memberships**

Moved: That the following be appointed to the Regional Committees for a new term commencing 1 October 2020.

(Allan/Karen) CARRIED 070/2020

# **Data Management and Privacy Issues**

The document drafted recently was circulated to the Clubs and will be held on file and a policy document for NZ Bridge.

## **National Grading Scheme**

John & Murray to seek legal advice as to an arrangement to use and pay for the use of the EBU Intellectual property.

Meeting Closed at 5.21pm