

MINUTES OF NEW ZEALAND BRIDGE BOARD MEETING Held via Zoom link up Call Tuesday 14th September 2021 commencing at 4.00pm

PARTICIPATING: Allan Morris (Chair), John Skipper, Sue Brown, Anne Barrowclough, Sam Coutts & Anna Kalma

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

Apologies - Nil

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

17 August 2021

Moved: that the minutes of the Board meeting held 6 July 2021 be confirmed. (John/Sam) CARRIED 052/2021

Discussion- Major Events Impacting on the Organisation

REGIONAL COMMITTEE MINUTES

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

Otago Southland Region Minutes

4 July 2021

Waikato Bays Region Minutes

19 July 2021

Moved: that the meeting minutes from Otago Southland & Waikato Bays, Regions be received.

(Anne/Sue)

CARRIED 053/2021

Matter Arising:

John will arrange to contact the Otago Southland Region to work through some of the points raised.

REPORTS & OPERATIONAL MATTERS

Finance

Sue presented her report along with the P & L reports for August 2021, YTD & the proforma balance sheet for the year up to 31 August 2021 that were circulated prior to the meeting.

Moved: that the Financial Report, P & L reports for August 2021 YTD & the balance sheet for the year up to 31 August 2021 be received.

(Sue/Anne)

CARRIED 054/2021

Moved: That a further amount of \$50 000 be transferred to Managed Funds. (Sue/John) CARRIED 055/2021

Budget Planning FYE 31 Mar 2022

The working copy of the draft budget was recirculated prior to the meeting. It is noted that Regulations and Director Training figures remain outstanding.

Operations Report

Alister's report was circulated prior to the meeting.

Moved: that the operations report be received.

(Sam/Anne)

CARRIED 056/2021

Manager – Major Events & Bridge Education

Richard's report was circulated prior to the meeting.

Moved: that Richard's update be received.

(Sam/Sue) CARRIED 057/2021

It was agreed that should Covid-19 restrictions remain the Interprovincial will be contested online using Realbridge. A decision to be made by 31 October 2021.

RBM Activities Report – Eunice Eccles

The report from Eunice Eccles was circulated prior to the meeting.

Moved: that the report from Eunice be received.

(Anna/Sam) CARRIED 058/2021

International Committee Minutes

The minutes of the International Committee meeting held 29 August 2021 were circulated prior to the meeting.

Moved: that the minutes of the International Committee meeting held 29 August 2021 be received.

(John/Sue) CARRIED 059/2021

Matters Arising:

Murray gave an update regarding the proposed tri-series with Australia and Indonesia scheduled for the weekend of 11-12 December 2021.

Marketing Proposal

Anna spoke to the report and the proposal to engage Fish Digital to revamp and enhance our online presence.

(Anna/Anne) CARRIED 060/2021

Regulations

Murray gave a brief report to the meeting regarding recent and upcoming activities.

Standing & Operational Committees

No changes since last meeting.

HEALTH & SAFETY

Anne spoke to the updated policy document which had been circulated prior to the meeting.

It was agreed that this be shared with the Clubs and Regions for feedback and placed on the documents page on the Website.

No issues recorded since last meeting.

GENERAL BUSINESS

AGM Planning

Alister reported that arrangements are in place to host the AGM using Zoom on Friday 24th September 2021 commencing at 4.00pm.

Gender Identity Policy

Moved: that the policy document (previously circulated) be adopted. (Anne/Sue) CARRIED 061/2021

Alister to distribute a copy of the policy document to the Clubs and Regions and place on the documents page on the Website.

European Zone Selection Event

The meeting noted the situation that unfolded in the open section at the recent European event. Teams elected not to seat for the matches against the Italian Team. It was agreed that NZ Bridge would not make any public statement regarding this.

Chief Directors Referral - CDD Committee

The meeting noted and received a copy of a referral initiated by the Chef Director to the CDD Committee in relation to an incident at the Fullarton Teams Tournament at Hastings held over the weekend of 14⁻ 15 August 2021.

Appointment – Conduct Discipline & Disputes Committee

Allan will contact Len Andersen regarding the current vacancy following the resignation of Graeme Wakefield.

Meeting closed at 5.31pm