

MINUTES OF NEW ZEALAND BRIDGE BOARD MEETING Held via Zoom link up Call Tuesday 19th October 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	14 Sept 2021
2. AGM (Draft Minutes)	24 Sept 2021

Moved: that the minutes of the Board meeting held 14 Sept 2021 be confirmed. (Anne/Anna) CARRIED 062/2021

Moved: that the AGM minutes of 24 Sept 2021 be received and held in draft until the 2022 AGM at which time they will be presented for adoption. (Sue/Sam) CARRIED 063/2021

Discussion- Major Events Impacting on the Organisation

Anne spoke to the paper that was circulated prior to the meeting. Agreed that Anne, Sue, Sam and Murray prepare a plan and regulations to enable the award of masterpoints for Club sessions conducted online using RealBridge and a further plan for the option for online tournaments.

CORRESPONDENCE

The letter from Tourism BOP confirming the grant for Congress 2021 and 2022 was circulated prior to the meeting.

The email from Wellington Bridge Club was received. It is the Boards position that any directive re vaccinations would be conditional upon a central Govt policy release on the topic.

REGIONAL COMMITTEE MINUTES

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

- Central Districts Region Minutes 8 Aug 2021
- Waikato Bays Region Minutes
- W Bays RBM Report for Aug & Sept 2021

Moved: that the meeting minutes from Central Districts & the minutes and RBM

report from Waikato Bays regions be received. (Anne/Sue) **CARRIED 064/2021**

REPORTS & OPERATIONAL MATTERS

Finance

Sue presented her report along with the P & L reports for September 2021.

Moved: that the Financial Report and the P & L report for September 2021 YTD be received.

(Sue/Anne)

CARRIED 065/2021

16 Aug 2021

Budget Planning FYE 31 Mar 2022

The finalised budget was circulated prior to the meeting. Moved: That the finalised budget for the FYI 31 Mar 2022 be adopted. (Sue/John) **CARRIED 066/2021**

Operations Report

Alister provided a brief outline of activities since the last meeting. Moved: that the operations report be received. **CARRIED 067/2021** (Sam/Anne)

Home Club Memberships as at 30 Sept 2021

The home club membership report for at 30 Sept was circulated prior to the meeting. A small reduction in home club member of 28 during the month.

Club Vaccination Returns

The meeting noted the information received to date. It is pleasing to see vaccination rates in the high 90% range.

Manager – Major Events & Bridge Education

Richard provided an update as to activities since the last meeting.

Moved: that Richard's update be received. (Allan/John)

CARRIED 068/2021

CARRIED 069/2021

Youth Report

Sam spoke to the report circulated prior to the meeting. Moved: that the youth report be received. (Sam/John)

Marketing Proposal

Anna spoke to the report that was circulated prior to the meeting.

Moved: that the Marketing report be received and that the preferred new logo be adopted subject to copywriting. (Anna/Anne) CARRIED 070/2021

Regulations Committee

Murray gave a report as to recent activities including the Club level exams and the tournament director assessment weekend

HEALTH & SAFETY

No issues recorded since last meeting.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Appointment – Conduct Discipline & Disputes Committee

Moved: that Christine Wilson be appointed to the CDD Committee for a 3-year term. (Allan/Sue) CARRIED 071/2021

Appointment – Auckland Northland Regional Committee

Murray recommends the appointment of Glenis Palmer to the role of Auckland Northland Regional Recorder.

Moved: that Glenis Palmer to the role of Auckland Northland Regional Recorder. (Anne/Sue) CARRIED 072/2021

Appointment-RBM Otago Southland Regional Committee

Moved: that Sonya Adams of Wanaka be appointed to the role of RBM for the Otago Southland Region.

(Anna/Allan)

CARRIED 073/2021

NZ Wide Pairs 2021

It was agreed that subject to mitigating any "across the field" scoring issues that Clubs who are locked down at alert level 3 or its equivalent will be allowed to hold a heat of NZWP for their members issuing the Realbridge platform.

Planning Board Workshop at Congress

Alister outlined the proposal for the workshop to be hosted at the commencement of the Congress in February. Details of topics to be covered etc to be confirmed in January.

Criteria- Restricted Open Events 2022

Agreed that the entry criteria for restricted open tournaments hosted at regional and Club level remain unchanged for 2022.

Rating point Depreciation 2022

Agreed that rating points be depreciated at a rate of 10% for the 2022 year.

Auckland Region Clubs under extended lockdown

Moved that NZ Bridge give a grant of \$5.00 per home club member to those Auckland Region Clubs affected by the extended lockdown. (Sue/Allan) CARRIED 074/2021

Entry Fee Interprovincials

It was agreed that a reduced entry fee of \$150 per region be charged for the Interprovincial finals to be held on the RealBridge platform.

Meeting closed at 5.40pm