

Minutes

Regional Committee Meeting held on: Monday 21 February 2022 at 1.30pm via Zoom.

Present:

Rona Driscoll (Chair Person), Jo Simpson, Greg Davenport, Alan Dick, Jan Spaans (Secretary/Treasurer), Anna Kalma (Observer), Mereana Cullen (Observer).

Apologies: none

Welcome Rona welcomed all to the meeting.

Minutes of previous meeting The minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday 6 December 2021were confirmed. Rona/Alan.

Matters arising from previous meeting: Nil.

Correspondence In: As distributed via email.

Correspondence Out:

Emails sent to Omokoroa and Waitomo.

Financial report:

Balance Sheet for New Zealand Bridge Waikato Bays Bridge Region

As at 18/02/2022

ASSETS

Total Cash and Bank Accounts	10,718.05
WBRC On Call Account	3,989.56
WBRC Cheque Account	5,354.89
WBBR Festival Account	1,373.60
Term Investment # 0014	0.00
Term Investment # 0006	0.00

Jan noted that the Treasurer will need to transfer the \$484.70 profit from the Thames account back to WBRC account in the future

Honorarium - It was approved that the outstanding honorarium of \$625 for the regional Secretary/ treasurer could be paid. Jo/Alan

Payments to be approved

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	Payments to be approved								
	21/01/2022 NZB			Masterpoints for Bay Pairs Ladder					34.50
	4/02/2022	02/2022 Pat Rutherford		Refund of erroneous payment					60.00
	25/02/2022 Milan Durovic		Web site ł	Web site hosting, incl 6/12 Waitomo & Omokoroa					
	25/02/2022	2 Waikato Bridge Club		Financial Assistance for lessons/advertising					200.00
	25/02/2022 Jan Spaans		Honorariu	m				625.00	
								Total	1211.50

Motion

1. That the financial report and payments for approval is accepted.

Jan/Alan

RBM Report / Weekly Emails

It was acknowledged that Eunice Eccles had resigned her position as RBM for WB and was no longer employed by NZ bridge. NZB would like the committee to consider and give them feedback as to the role of RBM, how we see it, if we consider it to be of value and how we would like to see it. To be put on AGENDA for next meeting.

Online lessons.

Rona advised that she is now doing her Taupo club lessons online. She suggested that these be opened up to other WB clubs that were finding it difficult to run lessons under the current climate and suggested a trial whereby the lessons are paid for by individuals through the Compass Virtual Club, who then takes their percentage from the \$6 per student, and pays the balance to WBRC account. WBRC in turn pay Rona and Realbridge invoices, retaining the balance of around 60c per student that would be left over. This could then be used for some some other purpose to be decided in the future.

Moved Alan/Greg carried

Rona then also suggested that the WBRC pay for her to obtain a zoom account, which was agreed, after establishing it was not possible to use Alister's NZB one

IP Trials

As the IPs are going to be online in 2022, it was discussed and agreed that the WB IP trials would also be held online. The preference would be Friday night and all day Saturday, with format depending on entries (pairs trials this year). All entrants would have to provide some evidence of partnership experience, eg 2 tournaments played together in the previous 12 months or regular club play.

Rona is to ask Mike Neels to possibly direct under supervision, or perhaps William.

Resignation

Jan Spaans resignation from his position as Secretary/Treasurer and member of the WBRC was accepted. A huge vote of thanks was offered by the remaining committee members for Jan's 11 years of service.

PROPOSED that Mereana Cullen be appointed to fill the vacancy on the Committee and also to act as Secretary/Treasurer Rona/Jo Carried Rona reminded us that regional elections were coming up soon.

Kelly Peirse Teams

Alan advised that the match committee were meeting tomorrow evening to decide whether this event would be held online or FtoF. There was no appetite from the committee to enforce a decision by the committee for this WBRC event.

Restricted Open Championship League

While NZB had withdrawn its support for restricted open tournaments to be for National Master and below, it was discussed that it was in fact not feasible to include only Provincial Master and below for the league, due to small numbers. It was agreed that WB can establish its own criteria for the league, but would have to eliminate tournaments where National master competitors could not play with their usual partner. It was agreed to drop the Restricted Open 8B in Hamilton from the list of eligible tournaments.

PUT ON AGENDA to raise this at the next National Conference.

Agenda items for next meeting

• the possibility of having a regional meeting on Zoom..

Meeting closed at 2:35pm.

Next meeting: Monday 21 March 2022 time TBA via Zoom.

Minutes confirmed by

Name (printed): Rona Driscoll Role: Chairperson

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Date: 21 March 2022