



MINUTES OF NEW ZEALAND BRIDGE BOARD MEETING **Held via Zoom Tuesday 12th July 2022 commencing at 3.30pm**

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

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

Apologies – Sue Brown. Anne Barrowclough & Kate Terry for late arrival

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.

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| 1. Board Meeting Minutes | 17 May 2022 |
| 2. Board Meeting Minutes | 7 June 2022 |
| 3. Draft Minutes Nat Conference | 11-12 June 2022 |

Moved: that the minutes of the Board meeting held 17 May 2022, 7 June 2022 be confirmed, and the minutes for the National Conference 11-12 June 2022 be received and held over for ratification at the 2023 conference.

(John/Anna)

CARRIED 029/2022

CORRESPONDENCE

REGIONAL COMMITTEE MINUTES

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

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| • Wgtn Region Minutes | 4 Aug 2021 |
| • Wgtn Region Minutes | 27 Oct 2021 |
| • Wgtn Region Minutes | 24 Nov 2021 |
| • TOPS Region Minutes | 29 Jan 2022 |
| • Wgtn Region Minutes | 2 Feb 2022 |



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| • W Bays Region Minutes | 21 Feb 2022 |
| • Wgtn Region Minutes | 9 Mar 2022 |
| • W Bays Region Minutes | 21 Mar 2022 |
| • TOPS Region Minutes | 21 May 2022 |

Moved: that the meeting minutes from Wellington, Top of the South, & Waikato Bays regions be received.

(Sam/Anna)

CARRIED 030/2022

REPORTS & OPERATIONAL MATTERS

International Committee

John provided a brief outline of activities since the last meeting and the intention of the international committee to meet during the following week regarding the invitation to send teams to the Asia Cup in October.

Player Handicapping & Grading Project

Sam provided a brief outline of the work undertaken to date and the response from the scoring programme providers regarding changes that will need to be made at their end.

Marketing Committee

Anna provided an update re the latest round of work being undertaken by the Marketing Committee and that which is outsourced to Fish Digital.

Incorporated Societies Act Changes

Ann shared details of work undertaken to date preparing guidelines for Clubs to meet the requirements of the Act.

Online Bridge Consultation Group

Kate gave an update as to the initial activities of the working party.

Operations Report

Alister summarised his report which had been circulated prior to the meeting.

Moved: that the operations report be received.

(Allan/Kate)

CARRIED 031/2022



Home Club Membership Report

The membership reports to 31 May 2022 & 30 June 2022 were circulated prior to the meeting. A net increase of 61 members was recorded during May and a further net increase of 86 as at the end of June.

Noting- Draft Financial Statements FYI 31 Mar 2022

The draft financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022 were circulated prior to the meeting and forwarded to Paul Hangartner so he can complete the audit.

Moved: that the draft financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022 be received

(Allan/Anna)

CARRIED 032/2002

Budget FYE 31 Mar 2023

Moved: that subject to a minor change to the international spend the budget for the year ending 31 Mar 2023 be adopted.

(Anne/Sam)

CARRIED 033/2022

Report - Major Events, Bridge Education & Regional Bridge Support People

Richard report of activities was circulated prior to the meeting.

Moved: that Richard's report be received.

(John/Sam)

CARRIED 034/2022

Congress Committee Minutes

Minutes for the Congress committee meeting held 28 June 2022 were circulated prior to the meeting.

Moved: that the minutes for the Congress committee meeting held 28 June 2022 be received.

(Sam/Anne)

CARRIED 035/2022

Chief Director

Murray's report was circulated prior to the meeting.

Moved: that the chief directors report be received.

(Allan/Anna)

CARRIED 036/2022



HEALTH & SAFETY

Nil

GENERAL BUSINESS

Planning AGM & ABF Joint Meeting

Alister advised that planning for the AGM was in hand with the paperwork emailed to Clubs at the end of June. The start time for the meeting is likely to be put back by 30 minutes to avoid a clash with the end of a bridge session at the Mt Maunganui Club.

Regulations Changes- Open Restricted Tournaments

Moved: with immediate effect the entry criteria for restricted open tournaments be amended as follows:

“A Tournament open to Players who are ranked National Master or below as at the preceding 1 January.”

(Sam/John)

CARRIED 037/2022

Murray noted to update references in the online version of the manual.

Note: this change does not include the traditional “8B Restricted Open” tournaments hosted at several clubs. The current criteria for these vents where two open grade players cannot play together is to remain.

Regulation Clarification – Residency Criteria for Interprovincials

Moved: That the residency criteria for the Interprovincials be updated as per the wording annexed to these minutes.

(Sam/John)

CARRIED 038/2022

Murray noted to update references in the online version of the manual.

Invitation – 2027 WBF Laws Review

Murray shared details of the next laws update scheduled for 2027. The information to be circulated to Clubs with any feedback to be sent direct to Murray.



Appointment- Proxy for WBF Congress Meeting

Moved: that Ben Thompson chair of Zone 7 and delegate to the WBF be appointed as proxy for NZB Bridge at the upcoming WBF Congress to be held in Wroclaw, Poland 25 August 2022.

(Allan/John)

CARRIED 039/2022

Matter arising:

As advised by the WBF, members of the Executive Committee are not eligible to vote or to hold a proxy on behalf of a NBO. Considering this information, the resolution to appoint Ben Thompson as our proxy for the upcoming WBF meeting in Poland, is withdrawn and we appoint Jenny Thompson as our proxy.

Meeting closed at 5.05 pm



Residency criteria for Interprovincials

2. Residency

Players must be a member of a Club in the Region for which they wish to play.

Players who belong to Clubs in more than one Region can only trial for one Regions each year and, if they choose to trial for a Region in which they do not reside, then they must play regularly face to face in a Club in that Region.

*The intent of the residency requirement is that players representing a Region are active members of a Club(s) in that Region. For the purpose of this event and for the avoidance of doubt, playing online at a Club outside of the Region in which a player resides does **not** qualify as being an active member of that Club.*

In the event of any doubt, advice should be sought from the Chief Director, who may consult with others, and whose decision is final.