



Minutes of Auckland Northland Regional Committee

7.00pm On-line Tuesday August 23 2022

In attendance: Jane Stearns Grant Jarvis Tania Brown (all ANRC) plus invited guest Julie Atkinson.

Apologies Steph Jacob

Committee Resignation:

It was with regret that we recorded Peter Bowyer's resignation from the Committee for personal reasons. Peter's past experience supporting bridge was highly valued. We thank him for his good intentions and his expressed warm wishes to the new Committee.

Special Business:

It was moved (Grant) and seconded (Jane) that Tania Brown become our new regional treasurer and account signatory. Jane Stearns was moved (Grant) and seconded (Tania) as co-signatory. Both motions were passed.

We sincerely thank Tania for her generous offer of time and skills and acknowledge Sue Brown for her years of outstanding service to the region and past committees. Sue's recent role to assist the transition to a new committee has been invaluable.

Outward Communications to Clubs:

Apart from the forwarding of NZB requests all clubs received...

1. An August Newsletter
2. Support offer and encouragement to contribute to the Consultation Group
3. A notification of intent to hold a regional conference on Sunday October 16
4. Minutes of the previous ANRC meeting.

Chinese Community Bridge Lessons

We applaud Julie Atkinson and Gary Chen for initiating bridge lessons and promotion for the Chinese community. Gary has identified media and social media platforms to promote bridge. Initiatives were discussed including translation of NZB resources. Jane confirmed that several lessons had been translated in past promotions.

General Discussion:

A full discussion of our last regional budget and predicted changes was held. The final proposal will be based on our regional conference discussions and the recommendations from the Consulting Group. In the interim Jane will seek initial funding permission for our regional conference. It was decided to have future discussions with Tony Morcom re dealing matters and the Auckland Bridge Club to create an ongoing agreement for regional tournaments hosted by their club.

Pre-planning points for our conference were discussed. Steph Jacob is providing a valuable personal link to our teachers and tutors for the day.

The lack of requests for youth subsidies to enter tournaments was raised. We will talk to Paul and ensure the availability of support is understood by all clubs at the conference.

Grant reported that the youth weekend was greatly enjoyed by the attendees – 13 from Auckland. The ANRC covered the costs of the local students. We thank Paul Coleman for his time and expertise in organising the event. He has an excellent rapport with this young group.

We extended our appreciation to Julie for her very tangible on-going support and attendance.

An informal meeting will be held on **19 September** at 7.00pm to plan for our conference.

Meeting closed 8.30pm