

BOWLS TARANAKI (INC.)

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF BOWLS TARANAKI HELD IN THE PARITUTU BOWLING CLUB ON TUESDAY 6 OCTOBER 2020 AT 3.00PM

WELCOME: The Board Chairman welcomed the Board members.

PRESENT: G. Hassall (Chairman), I. Andrews, F. Pollock, E. Foreman, R. Wolfe, K. Gray, C. Commane and T. Atkinson-Watt (Executive Officer).

APOLOGIES: No Apologies.

MINUTES: Moved I. Andrews/C. Commane that the Minutes of the Board Meeting held on 11 August 2020 having been duplicated and circulated to all Members, be taken as read and confirmed. **CARRIED.**

MATTERS ARISING:

- a) **Dumpers:** This was not addressed at the Presidents/Secretaries meetings. Clubs should note the concerns expressed by the Greenkeepers Association of the damage dumpers can cause. Clubs should be taking measures to assist dumpers for the betterment of greens.

FINANCIALS: Moved F. Pollock/R. Wolfe that previously circulated accounts for payment be approved and the financial report to 30 September 2020 be received. **CARRIED.**

It was noted that there are still difficulties receiving funding from TSBCT and gaming trusts. The Chairman and EO will continue to work on these.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Inwards:

- a) **Bowls NZ:** offer to broadcast quarter, semi and finals of the men's Taranaki Open Fours 2021 for free. This was accepted, but the counter suggestion to also cover the women's fours was declined by Bowls NZ.
- b) **Bowls NZ:** Confirming that both the Taranaki men's and women's Open Fours are included in the Summer of Bowls Calendar for the coming season.
- c) **Lepperton, Paritutu, Waitara and Inglewood clubs:** Disappointment in no women's pennants this season. The draft programme circulated prior to the AGM and the confirmation of the programme at the AGM received no such comments. The matters was also discussed at the Presidents/Secretaries meetings. It was noted that a wider discussion on all interclub events is required.
- d) **Sport Taranaki:** Resilience Fund 2 application was successful for \$5,000+GST.
- e) **Bowls NZ:** Offer of Bowls3five twilight initiative of \$500 to all clubs.
- f) **Sport NZ:** Workforce Diversity and Inclusion Survey.
- g) **Bowls NZ:** Dual membership overview.
- h) **Brendon Walton:** Livestream extra items. Moved to purchase the rest of the equipment F. Pollock/E. Foreman. **CARRIED.**

Outwards:

- a) **Patty Symes and Alan Hunt:** Acknowledging service over the years.
- b) **Dean Elgar:** Rep Uniforms reply.
- c) **Bowls NZ:** Confirming an update on roadshow meeting at Stratford-Avon on November 17.
- d) **Sport Taranaki:** Resilience Fund 2 application open.

Moved K Gray/C Commene that the Inwards Correspondence be received and Outwards be confirmed. **CARRIED**

REPORTS:

Events Committee: EO updated the Board on the meeting held 25 August 2020 with Sandra Zittersteijn, Kevan Sellers, David Brunton, Rodney Woods, Ernie Ward and Malcolm Barrowman. Agreed that this group would like to form the Events Committee. The next meeting will take place after the champion-of-champions.

Youth Bowls: EO updated the meeting on the Secondary School's fixture, to be held in Waikanae on 1-2 October, against Wellington. The team represented Taranaki very well, beating Welling 8-0 to win the new Team Green Harcourts Secondary Schools Trophy. Waikanae hosted superbly and are keen to hold it again next year. Interest has increased for the Taranaki series which starts in November.

Representative: A copy of the workshop summary from the women's Representative meeting held on the 5 September was tabled. This will be addressed in detail at the next meeting.

Representative uniforms: EO reported on uniform options for the coming season. Option 1, Dynasty; Option 2, Game Changer. The prizes were similar, although Dynasty's proposal includes sponsorship and they are also the official clothing supplier for Bowls NZ. Moved E. Foreman/F. Pollock that 60 shirts be purchased from Dynasty. **CARRIED.** K. Gray asked that his vote be recorded against the motion, as Game Changer are a local business. The prospect of using a similar designed shirt for sale during the Open Fours was also contemplated. Moved G. Hassall/F. Pollock that the EO investigate the success rate of selling merchandise in other tournaments and centres.

Vic Blance development programme: The EO updated the Board on the day held with John Murtagh. The meeting agreed that in the future, all selected players will be notified through the Centre Office. EO to follow up with John Murtagh as to the appropriate steps for this group for the rest of the season.

Strategy Meeting Review: A Discussion around establishing a marketing/promotions committee, as specified in the Operations Manual, took place. It was agreed that R. Wolfe and the EO will arrange a meeting of interested parties to form this committee.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- a) Champion-of-champions:
 - i) Pairs: The finalists have been found.
 - ii) Fours: The finalists have been found. As the matches were completed in under two and a half hours, this will become the new time limit. Moved I. Andrews/F. Pollock. **CARRIED.**
After discussion, the Board re-affirmed that a \$2 mat fee was still payable by all players although host clubs had the right to forgo this if they wished. Moved F. Pollock/C. Commene. **CARRIED.** K. Gray asked that his vote be recorded against.
 - iii) Singles: 10 October at Hawera Park (men) and Manaia (women).
 - iv) Triples: 11 October at Vogeltown (men) and Fitzroy (women).
 - v) Finals: 17 October at Paritutu.
- b) Festival of Lights table: This has been disposed.
- c) Centre office relocation: The matter is still being addressed by Paritutu.
- d) Bowls NZ AGM: G. Hassall advised the AGM meeting held online had been briefed, with no notable matters to report.
- e) Presidents/secretaries meetings: The meeting agreed that these remained worthwhile forums.

- f) Payment of entries by clubs: After discussion, it was moved F. Pollock/R. Wolfe that payment for entry to centre events must be received by the time the draw is done – which is 4 days after entries close. **CARRIED.**
- g) Limited membership: The meeting reiterated its previous stance that if no Levy is paid to Bowls Taranaki, then a limited member is not an affiliated member, and therefore only can play in their own Club internal events (NOT interclub, tournaments or championships). Bowling years do not start until they are an affiliated member.
- h) Interclub:
Men's division one (12 sides): Moved F. Pollock/R. Wolfe that the sides be randomly drawn into two sections, with the top two from each pool advancing to a playoff. Moved E. Foreman/C. Commene an amendment that section play see sides play all three disciplines against the same opponent at the same time, but for the finals, the disciplines will be scrambled. **CARRIED.**
Women's division one (nine sides): Round-robin format over nine rounds with each side having a bye.
Men's division two (12 sides): Same format as men's division one, with the only difference being when a club has more than one side, they will be placed into different sections.
Men's division three (eight sides): Round-robin.
Women's division two (six sides): Round-robin.
 The draw for all interclub events will take place during the luncheon adjournment on the champion-of-champions finals day at Paritutu on October 17.
 It was further agreed that a wider discussion on all interclub competitions is needed. The Board members were reminded that their relationships with clubs is important in collating this feedback.
- i) Open fours update: Entries are being received. All visiting sides from 2020 who have yet to enter 2021 have received a further entry form direct.
- j) Livestreaming: It was noted that more commentators and help is required. This will fall under the control of the Marketing/Promotions committee.
- k) Trophy custodian: The meeting agreed a custodian is desired. I. Andrews will work through options with the EO.
- l) Junior Singles eligibility for a Gold Star: E. Foreman queried when this ceased being a qualifying event (2017). It was agreed to discuss what events will qualify this season at the next meeting.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 1pm 4 November 2020.

CLOSURE: There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 4.58pm

Confirmed as a true and correct record.

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 Board Chairman Date