

BOWLS TARANAKI (INC.)

MINUTES OF THE 109TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF DELEGATES HELD IN THE STRATFORD-AVON BOWLING CLUB PAVILION ON SATURDAY 25 JUNE 2022, COMMENCING AT 9.30 A.M.

PRESENT: The Chairman, Grant Hassall, presided over an attendance of 25 delegates and 29 observers. The Chairman specifically welcomed the delegates and observers, Patron and Life Member Patty Symes and Life Member Brien Bennett QSM.

CLUBS NOT REPRESENTED: Awakino, Oakura, Patea and Urenui.

BEREAVEMENTS: The Chairman asked those present to stand and observe a moment's silence in memory of the well-known bowlers and servants of the game who had died during the past year. Specific mention was made of Peter Scott, Joan Watts, Malcolm Robertson, Nola Fairhurst and David Bennett.

APOLOGIES: Apologies were received and sustained from Gary Lilley (President of the Greenkeepers Assn), David Brunton (President of the Umpires Assn), Betty Brunton, Moe Kelly (Centre Director of the Coaches Assn), Vickie Kelly, Paul Werder, Allan Batley, Grayson McEldowney, Sue Edwards, Elaine Hodge, Barry Stevenson, Steve Muller and Mike Clegg. On the motion of Faye Hopkins/Gordon Brown the apologies were accepted. CARRIED.

REFRESHMENTS: The Chairman advised that refreshments will be provided after the AGM, and thanked the Stratford-Avon Bowling Club for their hospitality.

RULES OF DEBATE: The Chairman reminded delegates about the voting procedure and the Rules of Debate as had been circulated. There were no objections.

MINUTES: On the Motion of Bruce Peacock/Brian Pearce, the Minutes of the 2021 AGM held on 26th June 2021, having been circulated, were taken as read and approved as a true and correct record. CARRIED.

REPORTS AND STATEMENTS OF ACCOUNTS:

President's Report and Chairman's Report: Moved Jeff Ward/Rhonda Adams that the Reports which had been circulated to all Delegates be taken as Read and Approved. CARRIED.

Annual Financial Statements: The Chairman spoke briefly to the accounts, reminding delegates that in the previous two years he had indicated the Centre's equity had been at the upper reaches for an organisation like this, and that a loss had been forecast for the year. Nonetheless, there was still disappointment with result being a loss of just over \$14,000. This was self-explanatory in the numbers where that loss has come from, legal fees of over \$8000, which the Board felt was justifiable, and secondly, the higher remuneration because of annual leave and lieu time paid out at termination.

Despite that, we are in a position where we are very healthy, with \$34,000 in the bank account, plus \$70,000 on term deposit. The Chairman asked if there were any issues on the accounts. Jeff Ward enquired about stripe charges (credit card fees for the Open fours, which will continue) and the contingent liability (no developments to report) in the accounts; Mike Thompson asked about power bill for Centre office. The comparative period was for only three months. It was Moved Allan Hunt/Mike Thompson that the Annual Financial Statements be adopted, was put to the Meeting and was CARRIED.

CLUB LEVIES: The Chairman stated that despite the difficult financial year that the Centre has had, the levy will remain unchanged at \$22+GST per player for the coming season.

The Chairman called for any questions or discussion on the levy – no further discussion was held.

NOTICES of MOTION and RECOMMENDATIONS: There were no specific notices of motion, but in relation to the New Zealand Club Championships the Chairman opened the floor on whether open tournament winners or Champion of Champions, as at present, are used in the future. On a show of hands it was emphatic that the status quo of Champion of Champions remain.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR THE 2022/2023 SEASON:

Patron: Mrs. Patty Symes (Tower). Moved Martin Jordan/Faye Hopkins. CARRIED. Patty congratulated the Board on getting through a hard year, welcomed new members on the Board and also thanked Ian Andrews and Frank Pollock for their contribution, and "may there be sunshine and Covid depart to ensure a good season".

President: Mr Grant Hassall (West End) was elected unopposed.

Vice President: Mr Eric Foreman (Inglewood) was elected unopposed.

APPOINTMENTS TO THE CENTRE BOARD:

The Chairman advised the meeting that Chris Commane and himself had both retired by rotation, and that Eric Foreman had resigned from the Board to become Vice President. Mrs Commane reapplied, along with Val McEldowney and David Brunton. As this number matched the number of vacancies, all three have been appointed; Mrs Commane and Mrs McEldowney for two years and Mr Brunton for one year.

The Chairman then paid particular tribute to Mr Ian Andrews (Paritutu) who has retired after three years as President and having served a total of 15 years on the Board or its forerunner, the Executive. A similar tribute was also given to Mr Frank Pollock (Hawera Park) who has retired after serving on the Board for 12 years. The retiring members and newly elected and appointed members were all given suitably engraved badges.

FINANCIAL REVIEWER: On the motion of Gordon Lawson/Faye Hopkins it was resolved that the financial reviewer be retained as VanBurWray Chartered Accountants for the coming season. CARRIED.

CENTRE TOURNAMENTS and FIXTURES - 2022-2023 PROGRAMME:

The Chairman led a discussion on the circulated draft programme for 2022-2023. Chris Commane spoke to her suggestion that the women's interclub be reduced to two

rounds per day, with a top four play-off and scrambled draw. On a show of hands on two rounds per day, the indication was 5 for two rounds, and 6 for three rounds. On a show of hands on whether the result is finalised through a round robin competition or a top four play-off, the vote was 8-2 in favour of round robin. The Board will consider this.

Jeff Ward suggested the men's shield final be moved to 25 February when the Nationals are in Otago, instead of on 4 March when the men's triples post section is also set down. The Board will consider this.

REPORTS:

Women's selector: The Chairman read a report from Janice Ropitini (attached as appendix A).

Men's selector: Martin Jordan, the manager of the men's senior team, gave a verbal report (attached as appendix B).

Coaches: The Chairman read a report from Moe Kelly (attached as appendix C).

Umpires: Fay Gecse read David Brunton's report (attached as appendix D).

Greenkeepers: The Chairman read a report received from Gary Lilley (attached as appendix E).

GENERAL BUSINESS:

The Chairman is mindful of this AGM happening on a long weekend for Matariki (which moves each year). This particular timeslot will clash at some point in the future. He asked if anyone had an objection if a clash happens in the future. There was no objection.

The Chairman thanked the Delegates for their attendance and also thanked Stratford-Avon for the refreshments and the use of their facilities.

There being no further business, the Meeting terminated at 10.24am

Read and Confirmed as a True and Correct Record

Chairman24/06/2023

ATTACHMENTS

- A. Women's selector report
- B. Men's selector report
- C. Coaches report
- D. Umpires report
- E. Greenkeepers report