

Bowls Taranaki (inc.)

Minutes of a meeting of the board of Bowls Taranaki held
at the Bowls Taranaki office on 16th April 2024 at 10am

WELCOME: The Board Chairman welcomed the board members.

PRESENT: Robert Wolfe (Chairman), Grant Hassall (President), Kristin Stampa (Vice-President), Dean File, Val McEldowney, Chris Commane, Ian Lewis (Executive Officer)

APOLOGIES: Kevin Gray. It was moved by Dean File/Val McEldowney that the apology be accepted. **CARRIED**

MINUTES: Moved by Dean File/Val McEldowney that the minutes of the board meeting held on 12th March 2024 having been duplicated and circulated to all members, be taken as read and confirmed. **CARRIED**

MATTERS ARISING: None

CORRESPONDENCE:

Inwards: Thank You from Mark Baker, Abraham's Funeral Home
Nominations – Administrator of the Year, Greenkeeper of the Year
Letter from Bevan White – Gold Star eligibility
Letter from Paritutu BC – Gold Star eligibility
Correspondence from Bowls New Zealand – National Intercentre/Interclub
Correspondence from Bowls Gisborne EC. – Octagonal equalisation costs
Entry form from Bowls Wellington – Under 26's National Tournament
Umpires Report from Open Singles and Triples events
Footwear regulations from Bowls New Zealand
Contract from Venture Taranaki for Successful Application to Major Event Fund
Notice of National Coaching Seminar in Auckland
Motion to Northern Division re: Conditions of play for Gilmour Fours
Confirmation of Meeting with Bowls NZ – Incorporated Societies Act
Notice of Deaf Lawn Bowls Nationals

Outwards: Minutes to Awakino Bowling Club
Letter to Vogeltown BC – Hosting Requirements
Letter to NZ Post – Box Closure and Updated Postal Address to key contacts
Letter to Bowls NZ – National Fours and Mixed Pairs recommendations
Sponsors Reports
Kiwi Gaming Accountability Report
Changes to Conditions of Play for Taranaki v Whanganui to Bowls Wanganui
Correspondence to Whanganui and Bowls NZ – Bowls3five Regional Playoff
Footwear and Clothing Regulations to Clubs
Meeting with Midlands Funds Management
Meeting with Tracey Dempster – Symons Travel
Meeting with Bowls New Zealand – Centre Manager/Secretaries Meeting

The Inwards correspondence was received and outwards confirmed.

Moved by Kristin Stampa, seconded by Chris Commane

CARRIED

FINANCIALS: Moved by Grant Hassall/Robert Wolfe that the financial statements for March be approved.

CARRIED

It was moved by Robert Wolfe/Val McEldowney that “the honorariums for President, Board Members and Selectors remain unchanged and approved for the season of 2023-24”

CARRIED

It was moved by Grant Hassall/Robert Wolfe that “Bowls Taranaki apply to NZCT for \$20,000 of salary for the position of Executive Officer.”

CARRIED

It was moved by Robert Wolfe/Dean File that “Bowls Taranaki apply to Kiwi Gaming Foundation for a grant to cover our accommodation costs to represent Taranaki in Wellington at the National Intercentre and in Hamilton for our annual representative fixture against Waikato.”

CARRIED

It was moved by Robert Wolfe/Grant Hassall that “Bowls Taranaki apply to the Lion Foundation for power and rent for the office for the period of July to December 2024”

CARRIED

REPORTS

a) Administration/Marketing

It was advised that there was going to be no one next season willing to organise a tour from Australia for the Taranaki Open. Bowls Taranaki to engage Symons Travel to assist with travel arrangements for visiting players and teams from Australia that are interested in visiting. A tour co-ordinator to be sought to help with providing a good experience for visitors.

b) Events

There was a discussion around Shield events and Weekend Play. It was moved by Robert Wolfe/Kristin Stampa that “the Divisions be encouraged to set their own conditions of play to best find a winner to represent their division at the Shield Final.”

CARRIED

The Men’s Shield Final run by Bowls Taranaki will remain the same as this year with two or three teams of Men’s Fours playing in the Final.

A draft Tournament Programme for 2024-25 was approved by the Board. Programme to be circulated to all clubs.

c) High Performance

A meeting to be held with player representatives to review both the Junior and Senior Representative Programme before meeting with selectors.

At 11.30am, it was moved by Grant Hassall/Kristin Stampa that the meeting go in committee

CARRIED

At 11.50am, it was moved by Robert Wolfe/Val McEldowney that the meeting come out of committee.

CARRIED

GENERAL BUSINESS

Regional Meeting

Correspondence was received ahead of a Regional Meeting scheduled for June. Bowls Taranaki in favour of keeping the existing arrangement of sharing of costs through equalisation and to register an interest in hosting the Octagonal or Junior Hexagonal if available to do so.

National Coaching Seminar

Correspondence was received around a Bowls New Zealand High Performance and Coaching Weekend to be held later in the year. Bowls Taranaki to seek more information following a debrief with selectors for the year.

Letter regards Gold Star Eligibility

Letters were received from Paritutu BC and Bevan White in favour of retrospectively awarding Gold Star points for the winners of the Mixed Pairs in 2008. Grant Hassall provided some historical background. Since the event became a Gold Star qualifying event at the 2005 AGM, the 2008 winners were the only ones not to receive points.

It was moved by Kristin Stampa/Val McEldowney that "retrospective awarding of a gold star be declined and that the prior Board's decision stand." The resolution was put to the meeting and was tied at three votes each. The Chairman then used his casting vote to defeat the motion.

LOST

It was moved by Dean File/Grant Hassall that "Ian and Cathy Andrews as 2008 winners of the Mixed Pairs be retrospectively recognised as winning an event that counts as a point towards their gold star."

CARRIED

A suitable presentation will occur at the upcoming Champion of Champions Finals weekend.

AGM

The date for the AGM will be Saturday the 29th June 2024 to be held at 9.30am at Stratford-Avon. The membership levy to remain unchanged for the upcoming season.

The meeting was closed at 12.40pm.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, 14th May at 10am.

Confirmed as a true and correct record:

Chairman:

Date

Please Note: Bowls New Zealand are hosting a meeting at Stratford-Avon to discuss the changes to the Incorporated Societies Act. All Clubs and interested parties are invited to attend. Meeting to be held Tuesday 21st May at 6pm at Stratford.