



**Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday 18th August 2020**

ONLINE

PRESENT:

Graham Hay	-	President	Les Harrison	-	Board
David Back	-	Board/Treasurer	Sue Ross	-	Board
Bernard Knight	-	Board	Liz Rickards	-	Board
Mark Strochnetter	-	Board	Gena Short	-	Board
Rebecca Van Asch	-	CEO/Minute Taker			

Meeting opened at 1:05 pm

APOLOGIES: Nil

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST: Nil

President Graham Hay welcomed everyone to the meeting. Graham informed the meeting that Bowls North West have endorsed Gena Short to fill the female NW casual vacancy on the BTAS Board as per the email prior to the meeting. The Board also endorsed this recommendation.

Gena Short joined the meeting at 1.15pm

PREVIOUS MINUTES:

In a unanimous consensus, the minutes of the previous meetings on the 21st July 2020 were passed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

BUSINESS ARISING:

- David updated the group that the treasurers working party to discuss the fixed fee capitation model has been formed and held its first meeting. Things are progressing well and David is working on a paper to present at the next working party meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE: Correspondance list as provided prior to the meeting was discussed and endorsed by unanimous consensus.

REPORTS:

Presidents Report

Graham discussed his written report sent to the Board prior to the meeting.

Finance Report

Written report submitted detailing month and YTD finance transactions. David Back explained the financials to the board.

It was a unanimous consensus that the report be received and that the payments as set out in the July bank transaction list be ratified. Moved David Back, agreed by unanimous consensus.

CEO Report

Rebecca discussed her written report presented prior to the meeting.

Sue Ross – Change & Diversity

- Sue discussed the barefoot bowls state playoff idea. It was discussed that there are some difficulties around the COP for an event like this because every club runs on a slightly different format including whether registered bowlers are allowed etc.
- Sue will develop a paper for discussion.

Bernard Knight – Complaints & Grievances (Member Protection)/Junior Development

- Bernard gave an update on the Junior Development Committee and mentioned that School Sport Australia has been in contact inviting Tasmania to be a part of this. Bernard and Rebecca need to gather some further information though.
- Bernard discussed the paper that he circulated to the Board prior to the meeting regarding Discipline and Grievance Procedures. The Board to consider this further. **ACTION:** Graham and Bernard to discuss further offline.

Les Harrison – Officiating/Bowlers with a Disability

- Les gave an update regarding the social day held by the Bowling Arm group which was a great success and the inaugural carnival is fully booked.
- BTAS have sent a proposal to the Disability group explaining how things would work if this group worked as a sub-committee of Bowls Tasmania similar to the Bowling Arm group. Colleen Fellows has requested further information however it is felt that the paper covers all of the questions so far and the members can ask anything further at their AGM with BTAS representatives present to answer these.
- Les brought the Board up to speed that the new Laser Measure being advertised by Hunter Bowls is not yet endorsed by NOAG and is therefore not permitted to be used in competition until this has been done. **ACTION:** Les to notify the regional chairs and Rebecca to notify are qualified Measurers and National Umpires.

Mark Strochnetter – High Performance

- It would be a good time to get the Open Selectors together to discuss the updated calendar from Bowls Australia and prepare a plan for squads and selection moving forward.
- **ACTION:** Mark to let Rebecca know a date and Rebecca to coordinate.

ACTION ITEMS:

Written report submitted prior to the meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS:

a) REGIONAL PENNANT / AFTERNOON TEAS

- The Board discuss the correspondence received from Sport & Rec. regarding advice around afternoon teas and the like. The advice was that sport should be treated as “Get in, train, and get out” as per the AIS Framework for rebooting Sport. It was agreed that this advice would be forwarded onto regions. Due to this advice it was felt that afternoon teas were not advisable under the current COVID restrictions.
- The amount of ends played in Saturday pennant was also discussed. The Board were advised that Bowls North have sent a survey out to Clubs with 3 options regarding the amount of ends to be played and this will be used to determine their decision. Due to the South and North West only playing 21 ends this season, BTAS strongly encouraged Bowls North to follow the same as a way of working towards aligning the conditions of play in Tasmanian Pennant Competition.

b) GOVERNANCE PRINCIPLES

- Graham discussed with the Board the Launch of Sport Governance Principles 2020 that was forwarded to all Board members and the subsequent webinar that was conducted by Sport Australia. Graham asked the Board members to ensure that they read this document and requested that the Board discuss this in more depth at its next meeting.
- **ACTION:** Rebecca to resend the Sport Governance Principles document to the Board.

Meeting Closed: 2.55 pm

Next Meeting:

Date: Tuesday 22nd September, 2020
Time: 12:00pm
Venue: BTAS Office

Signed by President