

Special Board Meeting Monday 4 December 2023 at 7.35pm via Zoom.

MINUTES

TOPIC	DISCUSSION & DECISION	ACTION
1) Welcome	The President welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked everyone for attending at such short notice.	
	The meeting is being held to discuss behavioural issues at the 2023 Under 18 National Championships and subsequent actions.	
	President Bernard Knight stressed that the report tabled is strictly confidential and is not to be shared outside the BTAS Board. All Board Members were asked to destroy their electronic and, if any, hard copies of the report after the Board meeting. A copy of the report will be kept by BTAS.	
2) Present	Bernard Knight (President), David Back (Treasurer), John Glisson, Lynne McDougall, Anne Mullavey, Jane Pickett, Leonie Price, Phil Prouse and Rob McGuire – CEO (Observer).	
3) Apologies	Nil	
4) Declaration of Conflict of Interest	Nil.	

5) General Business	The CEO circulated a comprehensive report to Board Members prior to the meeting. It included details of the purpose of the meeting, a summary of the behaviour issues at the Under 18 Championships, reports from the Coach and Team Manager and others, minutes of the Junior Development Committee meeting held on 6 November 2023, a copy of the letter sent to all parents on 10 November 2023 and subsequent relevant correspondence received by BTAS relating to this issue. It also included correspondence received from Bowls Australia (BA) advising that BA will need to investigate the matter and requesting a report outlining our version of events, along with any documentation and evidence we have.	
	 Robust discussion and questioning of many aspects of the report followed. It was resolved that: The tabled report be forwarded as is to BA. BA be advised that reports received express the opinions of the authors and do not necessarily represent the views of BTAS. BA be advised that BTAS did not ask, nor does it approve, that one of the reports was discussed at recent Board meetings of Bowls North West and Bowls North. 	CEO to send report to BA.
	 The CEO prepare a draft covering email to be sent to BA with a copy of the report, for approval of Board Members before it is sent to BA. 	CEO prepare covering email to BA and send it to Board Members for approval.

	The CEO advised that BTAS has received an email today complaining about the behaviour of one of the players. BTAS had also received an email today from the Chairman of Selectors, Trevor Docking, resigning from the position. It was agreed to send a copy of the emails to Board Members.	CEO send a copy of the emails to Board members.
6) Reports		
a) Treasurer	David Back circulated his Financial Report prior to the meeting. Moved: David Back Seconded: Lyn McDougall "that the report for November 2023 and payments therein be ratified".	
7) Close and Date of Next Meetings	Meeting closed at 8.40pm.	
	There will be a Special Board Meeting on Monday 11 December 2023 at 3.30pm via Zoom to discuss the CEO's annual performance review. The meeting will also discuss the email received today regarding the behaviour of one of our players.	
	The normal December 2023 Board meeting will be deferred and will be held at the Longford Bowls Club immediately after the RCC meeting on Monday 22 January 2024. Any urgent business between now and then can be dealt with out-of- session.	