

WAIKATO BAYS REGIONAL COMMITTEE

Minutes of WBRC meeting 15 July 2024 held on Zoom
at 5 pm



Attendees: Alan Dick, Nick Saunders, Kevin Whyte, Ella Gray, Greg Davenport

In attendance – Anna Kalma

Apologies: Hugh McAllister

Minutes of June meeting: as circulated - moved/seconded Allan/Nick approved

Matters arising –

- NI pairs, all went well, increase in Director's fees, prize money all paid, surplus approx \$1,100. No reason to use a separate bank account.

Correspondence:

IN -

- **NZBridge** as circulated
- Toolkit – feedback received from clubs. Main requests are from new committee members
- Hamilton BC/Barry and Jenny, Fishers – request for funds for their international tournament. Request for funds declined.
- **OUT** - Jack Stoken lessons email sent to Greg

Action – Ella respond to funds letter

Finance:

- Kevin reported balance of \$8244. NZBridge mileage rate \$.95c. Allan and Kevin have reworked budget, Allan to send to committee. We started year with \$2,700. Maximum Secretary's honorarium capped at \$1,500,

General Business:

2024 committee officers – Allan, chair, Ella, secretary, Kevin, treasurer

Grant applications update - PubCharity now \$8,400, have not heard back re application yet. New applications going to **Southern Trust - Allan** **Lion Foundation - Ella**

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- Director's Forum** - 27 people on whatsapp group (1/3 of waikatobays directors). How it will operate is a work in progress. Include information in next newsletter.
- Website succession plan (waikatobays)** – Mike Newton interested, but not until 2 years, will work with Mike Neels over this time.
- Tournament/club scoring** succession needs attention from Board – Murray has started looking into alternative suppliers.
- Bridge in Schools** – Greg to develop programme. To be included in newsletter. Keith Hitchcock could be a resource. Can be included in holiday programmes amongst other activities.
- Regional Championship** – committee needs to discuss options if we do not raise sufficient funds. Team members concerned about amount they will need to contribute. Players were informed at the outset that they may need to contribute some \$\$, but amount was not stated. Allan to write a letter to update team members. Ella to update budget – send to Allan.
- Regional Conference** – Ella our delegate. Has a survey been held amongst players of major tournaments regarding f2f v online?
- Waikato Interclub teams competition** – Cambridge club unsuitable venue. Too crowded for play and for health and safety. Needs to be discussed soon for 2025.

Meeting ended 6.10 pm.

Signed: *A. A. Duh*

Date: 19/8/24

