

Minutes Otago Southland Regional Committee Monday 9 September 2024 via Zoom at 9:00am

Present: Judith Lawton, Philip Noye, Hamish McDonald and Carole Bee

Apologies: Nil

Minutes of the previous meeting:

“That the minutes of the meeting held on 1 July 2024 be taken as read and moved as being a true and accurate record.”

Moved Hamish/Phil – Carried

Matters Arising:

1. National Teams at the Otago Club went well. Roughly 1/3 of the 22 teams were from the North Island. It was well run by Lorraine Stachurski from Palmerston North.
2. Central Otago had 7 teams this weekend and 12 tables of pairs on the Sunday.
3. Three responses to requests for director information. Will be summarised and sent to clubs.

Correspondence:

INWARDS:

As per emails:

1. NZBridge re Maniototo Club Status. Carole to respond with a possible contact.
2. NZBridge response to Central Districts questions about Regional Committee term. Under review currently.
3. Newsletter No 5 from the Chair.

OUTWARDS:

As per emails:

1. Minutes to NZBridge
2. Email to all OS directors asking for their preferences.
3. Email to Oamaru offering 2025 Kings Birthday Provincials. Have agreed to 2026 potentially but unavailable 2025. Hamish to ask Queenstown

Motion: “That the Correspondence be accepted as dealt with.”

Moved Carole/Hamish- Carried

Matters Arising: Nil

Financial Report:

Balance at 31 August 2024 \$4304.85 but still three players in Regional Challenge teams to provide accounts for reimbursement (\$450 total) to be paid to.

Next expenses to be our Conference. Hamish to email Alistair and ask how the rubber bridge players are reimbursed. Also what happens when our "account" reaches zero?

Motion: "That the financial report be received."

Moved Hamish/Phil -Carried

Strategic Plan:

1. Regional Conference. 9:30am morning tea for 10am start. Morning session on toolbox (Anne Barrowclough). Maybe an update on where the teaching and learning committee are at (Phil/Mary/Sonya). Something practical to maybe support clubs to enter Rubber and Teams events such as scoring these. Possibly movements for small clubs/sessions. Catering budget set at \$20 per head morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea. Carole to contact Balclutha and update and put notice out to all clubs. We need internet, whiteboard and screen access.
2. Still without Chef d' mission for Regional Challenge. Judith to ask Harry Shepherd. Not sure what happens if we are unable to secure one.
3. Road signs we still have two available. One at Balclutha and one with Sonya Adams.
4. The region is to host South Island Teams 30/31 August 2025. National Teams is to be held on 15th/16th March but if it goes online it will clash with Invercargill Open Pairs. Phil to ask Bridget if we are going to have a national event of some sort every last weekend in August.

General Business: Nil

Meeting Closed 10:00am

Next meeting: Monday Oct 14th 9am TBC