



MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF NZ BRIDGE INC

**Commencing at 4.30pm on Friday 27 September 2024 at the Mt
Maunganui Bridge Club**

Welcome

Allan welcomed everyone and declared the meeting open.
He then handed over to Alister to conduct the roll call and list the apologies.

Participating

NZ Bridge Board

Allan Morris (Chair), Kate Terry, Anna Kalma, Sam Coutts, John Skipper, Sue Brown.

Officers of NZ Bridge

Alister Stuck, National Secretary, Murray Wiggins, Chief Director,

Authorised Delegates

Tony Quinlivan (Christchurch), Marsha Woodbury (Marlborough), Anne-Marie Russell (Wellington), Michael Fitzsimons (Richmond), Neil Stuckey (Auckland), Alan Dick (Rotorua), Ruth Brucker (Hutt), Mike Newton (Tauranga), Sara Engel (Katikati), Rainy Creasy (Te Puke), Valarie Fitzsimons (Nelson), Jane Stearns (Paihia), Kevin Skor pada (Winton), Marg Scott (Picton), Grant Jarvis (Franklin), Mereana Cullen (Hamilton) Babs-Merel de Visser (Rangiora), Sylvia Lee (Taupo), Vivienne Cannell (Waikanae), Michele Larnder (Mt Maunganui)

NZ Bridge Personnel Representing Clubs

Sue Brown (Kerikeri), Sam Coutts (Otago), Alister Stuck (Hokowhitu), Anna Kalma (Te Aroha & Matamata)

Authorised Proxies

Alister Stuck (Royle Epsom), Marsha Woodbury (Westport)

Observers

Beverley Morris, Jane Marjoribanks, Viv Murray, Trish Clearwater

Apologies

Angela Royle, Paul Hangartner, Kay Nicholas, Keith Nicholas, Mel Auld, Fergus More, Anne Barrowclough, Ray Curnow, Phil Rutherford, Nan Wehipeihana, North Shore BC, Richmond BC, Royle Epsom Bridge Club BC.

Moved: that the apologies be accepted.
(Marsha Woodbury/ Alan Dick)

CARRIED

Minutes of the 2023 AGM

Moved: that the Minutes of the 2023 AGM as previously circulated be adopted.
(Alan Dick/ Grant Jarvis)

CARRIED

Matters Arising:

Nil

Annual Report for year ended 31 March 2024

Allan summarised the annual report (previously circulated) and now annexed to these minutes.

Moved: That the Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2024 be adopted.
(Allan Morris/Rainy Creasy)

CARRIED

Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2024

Sue Brown presented the audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2024 and worked through a number key points.

Moved: that the audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 as presented be adopted.
(Sue Brown/Marsha Woodbury)

CARRIED

Matter Arising:

Delegates sought clarification regarding the significant expenditure for the international programme during the year.

Allan Morris & Sue Brown responded outlining the 4-year budget allocation for International being capped at \$400k. The year ended 31 Mar 2023 coincided with the most costly in the 4-year cycle with two international events contested.

Appointment of Auditor

Moved: that Paul Hangartner be appointed as Honorary Auditor.
(Mereana Cullen/Grant Jarvis)

CARRIED

Remit from the NZ Bridge Board

The Board has for some months worked through the process of preparing an undated constitution so as to re-register under the Incorporated Societies Act of 2022.

A draft constitution document was provided to all member clubs as part of the annual report mailout. After that the Board issued a note intending to propose an improvement to the wording of clause 3.3 (para3).

Moved: that the NZ Bridge Constitution last revised on 2 August 2019 be replaced with the document dated 13 August 2024 including the amended wording to clause 3.3 (para 3) as previously circulated, so as to effect registration under the Incorporated Societies Act of 2022".

(Tony Quinlivan/Alan Dick)

CARRIED

General Business

1 Item was lodged by due date for consideration at the meeting.

The item from the Marlborough Bridge club seeking the discontinued use of stop cards. This was subsequently was withdrawn by the delegate considering the recent announcement by the board.

Closure

There being no further business Allan thanked everyone for attending the meeting and for their participation and closed the formal part of the meeting at 5.40pm.

At the conclusion of the formal segment participants were invited to stay for informal discussions, which a number elected to do so.