

MINUTES OF NEW ZEALAND BRIDGE BOARD MEETING Held Via Microsoft Teams Platform, Tuesday 19 November 2024, commencing at 9.00am

PARTICIPATING: Allan Morris (Chair) until 11am, Sam Coutts, Anna Kalma, Anne Barrowclough, Sue Brown, & John Skipper.

In Attendance:

Alister Stuck, National Secretary, Mel Auld, Marketing & Communications Manager, & Murray Wiggins, Chief Director.

Apologies -

WELCOME

Allan welcomed all to the meeting.

NOTING

The interest list was confirmed.

Declaration of any conflicts of interest.

Anne declared an interest in the item under Toolkit development.

Outstanding Task List

Updated list circulated prior to the meeting.

Correspondence Outstanding

- Otago BC Request for assistance
- G McLachlan New rank and suggested recipient for honours.

PREVIOUS MINUTES

Copies of the following minutes were circulated prior to the meeting.

1. Board Meeting Minutes

15 Oct 2024

Moved: that the minutes of the Board meeting held 15 Oct 2024 be confirmed. (Anne/Sue) CARRIED 088/2024



REGIONAL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting Minutes from the following region were circulated prior to the meeting:

•	OS Region Minutes	9 Sept 2024
•	W Bays Region Minutes	16 Sept 2024
•	Wgtn Region Minutes	10 Sept 2024
•	Tops Region Minutes	9 July 2024
•	Tops Region Minutes	29 Aug 2024
•	Tops Region Minutes	15 Oct 2024
•	Auckland Northland Region Minutes	5 Feb 2024
•	Auckland Northland Region Minutes	4 Mar 2024
•	Auckland Northland Region Minutes	2 April 2024
•	Auckland Northland Region Minutes	10 Jun 2024
•	Auckland Northland Region Minutes	8 Aug 2024
•	Auckland Northland Region Minutes	3 Sept 2024
•	Auckland Northland Region Minutes	14 Oct 2024
•	OS Region Minutes	14 Oct 2024
•	OS Region Minutes	28 Oct 2024
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Moved: that the meeting minutes from Otago Southland, Waikato Bays Top of the South, & Auckland Northland regions be received. (Anne /Sam) **CARRIED 089/2024**

REPORTS & OPERATIONAL MATTERS

Operations Report

Alister's report was circulated prior to the meeting. Moved: that the operations report be received. (Sam/Sue)

CARRIED 090/2024

Home Club Membership Report

The membership report to 31 Oct 2024 was circulated prior to the meeting. Home club members increased by 32 as of 31 Oct 2024.

Moved: that the membership report to 31 Oct 2024 be received.

(Anna/John) **CARRIED 091/2024**



Congress Committee

A summary of the Congress Committee meeting held 22 Oct 2024 along with the congress player survey results were circulated prior to the meeting.

Moved: that the Congress Committee meeting summary and player survey results be received.

(Anna/Allan) CARRIED 092/2024

A request from Mel Auld be appointed to the Congress Committee was agreed.

International Committee

A report from the International Committee was circulated prior to the meeting.

Moved: that the report from the International Committee be received.

(Sam/Anna)

CARRIED 093/2024

Teaching & Learning Committee

A report from the Teaching & Learning Committee was circulated prior to the meeting.

Moved: that the report from the Teaching & Learning Committee be received. (Anna/Anne) CARRIED 094/2024

Otago Southland Regional Conference

Anne provided a summary of the of the topics covered at the conference that she and Sam attended.

Marketing & Communications

Mel's Report was circulated prior to the meeting.

Moved: that the Marketing & Communications report be received.

(John/Sue) CARRIED 095/2024

Major Events

Bridget's report was circulated prior to the meeting. Moved: that the Major Events report be received.

(Sam/Sue) CARRIED 096/2024

Chief Directors Report

Murray's report was circulated prior to the meeting. Moved: that the Chief Director's report be received.

(Sue/Sam) CARRIED 097/2024



Financial Report

Sues financial report along with p& I and balance sheet reports as at 31 Oct 2024 were circulated prior to the meeting.

Moved: that financial report along with the p & I & balance sheet reports as at 31 Oct 2024 be received.

(Sue/Anna) CARRIED 098/2024

Arising:

Moved: than an amount of \$50k be transferred to the managed funds facility. Sue to organise this.

(Sue/John) CARRIED 099/2024

Youth Bridge Committee

Anna advised that with the support of the NZ Bridge Foundation a group of 9 people with attend the Canberra youth week in January 2025.

Incorporated Societies Act Changes

Nil

Health & Safety

The harassment of directors by some players has escalated recently.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Referral to CDD Committee

Moved: that following an incident at the National Congress that the matter be referred to the CDD Committee for investigation and determination.

(Allan/Sue) CARRIED 100/2024

Meeting Dates 2025

A draft schedule of meeting dates for 2025 has been drafted and circulated.

Appointments- NZ Bridge Foundation Trustees

Moved: that Dwayne Crombie be appointed as a trustee and chair of the NZ Bridge Foundation.

(Sue/John) CARRIED 101/2024



Tournament Offering Review Project

Working group to be established once a terms of reference document and work plan are drafted. John & Sue to organise this.

Recorder/ Disputes Process

It was agreed that a project to improve player behaviour, provide clubs with guidelines for dispute management and resolution. Murray to lead the initial work.

Regional Committee Terms of Reference

Document prepared and circulated prior to the meeting. Subject to some minor changes this will go to the regions for their input.

Toolkit Development

Moved: that Anne Barrowclough be contracted to develop the tool kit.

(Allan/Sue)

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Anne did not participate in this discussion and did not participate in the resolution.

Directors Remuneration

Recommended schedule of fees in now on the website.

Policy Documents

Updated copies of the following policy documents were circulated prior to the meeting noting that any procedures must follow the published policy.

- 1. Health & Safety
- 2. Gender Identity
- 3. Child Protection
- 4. Privacy

Moved: that the updated policy documents be adopted and published.

(Anne/Sue)

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Meeting closed at 11.20 am