

Minutes Otago Southland Regional Committee Monday 11 March 2025 via Zoom at 9:00am

Present: Judith Lawton, Carole Bee and Phil Noye

Apologies: Hamish McDonald

Moved Judith/Carole– Carried

Minutes of the previous meeting:

“That the minutes of the meeting held on 24 February 2025 at 9am be taken as read and moved as being a true and accurate record.”

Moved Phil/Carole– Carried

Matters Arising:

1. Proposed Int/Jnr online teams comp now to be run as a training series no masterpoints. Carole to draft new poster to reflect a lower entry fee. Need to keep it in line with a club session cost though. Any “profit” can be used to support junior bridge. Unclear what our director’s cost will be at this stage.

Correspondence:

INWARDS:

As per emails:

Inward:

1. Sonya Adams – proposed online teams for junior Int players
2. Anne Barrowclough – response to letter number 2. Below. For conference.
3. NZBridge Secretary – Arrangements for Regional Challenge 2025
4. NZBridge Secretary – Details for Directors exams

Outward:

1. Tournament Coordinator – moving OS Swiss pairs 2026 as per Invercargill request
2. NZBridge Secretary – letter expressing concern over committee rotation clause in Regional Committee Guidelines
3. Yvonne Hughes – Otago Southland Swiss Pairs scorer

Matters Arising:

1. Judith to clarify with NZBridge if we are able to cover CDM costs for Regional Challenge.

2. We have no capacity to run trials this year so we will invite teams of 4, as per NZBridge, recommendation to apply to be selected by April 17. Info to go out once we have clarified with NZBridge

Motion: "That the Correspondence be accepted as dealt with."

Moved Judith/Carole- Carried

Financial Report:

Balance at 28 February 2025 \$596.09. Noted that \$800 budgeted for lesson advertising is unlikely to be used this year.

Motion: "That the financial report be received."

Moved Phil/Carole -Carried

Strategic Plan:

1. Promoting entries in Junior tournaments decision:
Ladder developed by the awarding of points 6 for 1st place 5 for 2nd place etc for all Junior tournaments in our region. Currently Cromwell, Otago, Gore, Winton, Oamaru and Invercargill. \$600 to be distributed to top 6 players at end of the series.
2. Next Conference at the start of the year so aiming for February 2026, possibly in Cromwell the day after their junior/Int tournament.

Meeting Closed 10:10am.

Next meeting 14 April 9am Zoom