

**NEW ZEALAND INDOOR BOWLS INC  
MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD AT THE ASB ARENA,  
MOUNT MAUNGANUI, 17 JUNE 2016, COMMENCING AT 4PM**

**PRESENT:** Barry Chapman (in the chair), Nigel Warnes, David Edgar, David Lynn, Trevor Rayner, Michael Lawson, Graham Low & Ngaire Drake.

President Barry thanked Executive members for their attendance and for their efforts during the busy week.

**APOLOGIES:** Nil

**MINUTES:**

*That the minutes of the executive meeting held on 7 May 2016 as circulated were taken as read.*

Edgar/Low Carried

**MATTERS ARISING:**

Following discussions with Clubs NZ it was decided that it would be more beneficial for Barry Chapman to attend their Men's Indoor Bowls AGM and endeavour to establish a closer relationship between the two organisations.

**FINANCE:**

*That the Statement of Accounts as at 7 June 2016 is accepted and cheques numbered 5697-5702 plus automatic payments are passed.*

Rayner/Lawson Carried

It was decided not to take up the offer of BW Miller Dean's Audit Shield Master Policy service.

Unfortunately a grant of only \$5,000 had been received from NZ Racing Board and the application to the Southern Trust could not be processed until after the naming of the Island teams.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**The following information was sent to District Secretaries.**

1. Minutes of Executive Meeting 7 May 2016 with Financial Position
2. Membership forms to be returned by 31 July with payment
3. Entry form and information for NZ Junior Singles
4. Entry form and information for North Island and NZ Secondary Schools event
5. Henselite Champion of Champions entry form and information
6. Paterson Hosts –requesting draw requirements and advising to let other districts know full details of event
7. Districts hosting NZ Mixed Fours/Pairs – copies of draw and requesting they advise other districts in their zone and National Office of their plans

**EVENT REPORTS:**

**South Island Championships**

South Otago IBA had run their first major event well. The large venue meant it was impossible to keep warm but the floor played adequately. Concern was expressed at the late finishes of some finals.

*That a time limit of 15 minutes over the nominated playing times for each Island Championship event be imposed for the semi -finals and finals.*

Rayner/Lawson

Carried

**National Championships**

The event was progressing well with no major issues encountered and there was a good atmosphere in the excellent ASB Arena. Many continued to talk enthusiastically about the Masters event where they had more chances of success.

The work done by Bruce Christie was recognised and he will be asked to investigate the possibility of more google spreadsheets for other events and Island fixtures.

*That a grant of \$500 be given to Bruce Christie for the entry system he had created.*

Rayner/Warnes

Carried

The online live recording of results continued to receive much positive feedback.

The Academy and Masters event was again a very popular event both with team members and supporters. Michael Lawson questioned the value of having a dinner to follow the event and other possibilities may be explored after feedback has been received from bowlers.

Kevin Boothby presented a proposal for a "Feature Game" each session at next year's National Championships. This offer was accepted and Kevin's generosity as a player who has received so much out of the game, was acknowledged.

**EMPLOYMENT:**

As advised previously negotiations are currently being finalised to employ Michelle Watt in a Fixed Term part time position commencing 8 July. The associated job description will be broadened from Michelle's current role with Sport Taranaki so she can assist NZIB to achieve its objectives.

**ISLAND TOUR:**

A duty list will be sent to all host districts of Island tour fixtures and they will be requested to supply the name of their event controller and umpires. Executive members on the tour will be able to be used as mentors if required. All districts will need to provide hopefully coloured bowls and scoreboards as none will be taken on tour.

**UMPIRES REPORT:**

Six Umpires successfully passed the National exam with the possibility of another two who plan to re-sit the Mat faults section after some confusion. It was recognised that the process this time was not satisfactory and Nigel Warnes will be discussing improvements going forward with Greg Veale. There will be another opportunity for the National Exam to be held again first week in August and information regarding this will be sent out shortly. Nigel said he would be happy to coordinate a National exam during the 2017 Nationals if enough people were interested. This will be pursued later.

**COACHING:**

After the success of the two coaching sessions held in Blenheim and Nelson another will be held in South Otago soon. It is hoped Michelle Watt will be able to attend with a view to roll out similar sessions in the North Island. Michelle has been offered the opportunity to attend a Sports NZ Coaching seminar in Auckland in August. As it is one to NZIB’s aims to have a Club Coach in every club another 200 badges to recognise this will be ordered.

**PUBLICITY:**

The enthusiastic work of NPO Chris Bullen and Delwyn Hughes during the Nationals was acknowledged and it was good also to have Webmaster, Paul Voorend present to update the website. Barry Chapman is going to explore other publicity opportunities with an interested bowler and Chris will be asked to provide an outline of the work involved with his position and necessary timeframes.

**INTERNATIONAL REPORT:**

AIBBC had advised that the Mounties Club in Sydney had been booked 18-20 May 2017 and different accommodation options and quotes were discussed.

*That accommodation for the NZ Team be booked at the Quest Liverpool.*

Rayner/Edgar      Carried

A provisional budget for the event was presented and it was noted that accommodation costs were significantly higher than previous trips

*That the levy for NZ Team Members be \$600.*

Rayner/Warnes      Carried.

NZ Team nomination forms would be distributed with the Meeting Minutes indicating the levy and the compulsory training camp dates of 8-9 April 2017 for all team members and reserves.

Both Trevor Rayner and Nigel Warnes spoke enthusiastically about their trip to the UK Festival of Bowls which they considered interesting and very worthwhile. Although the game played is different to that in this country it is considered that NZ players would adapt well.

An official invite to attend the 2018 Festival of Bowls, which would include an additional International event involving other European countries, had been received. Australia IBBC will be approached to seek their interest in also attending. The possibility of further participation by a NZ Team will be explored.

**EXECUTIVE OFFICERS' CONTRACT:**

*That the Executive Officer's contract be ratified for a further 12 months.*

Rayner/Lawson      Carried

**EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT:**

*That the Executive Officer's report be ratified.*

Edgar/Warnes      Carried

**2017 NATIONAL PROGRAMME:**

The draft programme was discussed and the following districts will be asked to host National events. The full calendar will be sent out shortly.

29 July	NZ Mixed Fours	Upper Hutt Valley
30 July	NZ Mixed Pairs	Upper Hutt Valley
27 August	NZ Junior Singles	North Wellington
28-29 August	NZ Secondary Schools Championships	North Wellington
1-3 September	Welch Trophy	Hamilton
9 September	Henselite C of C	Nelson

The following Tour by the South Island team was approved and districts will be asked to host matches as follows:

**Friday 4 August to Sunday 13 August**

Friday 4th August	Fly to Wellington.
Saturday 5th August	Play North Wellington/Horowhenua Combined
Sunday 6th August	Play Hutt Valley in Morning and Upper Hutt at night.
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Play Wairarapa/Bush Ruahine in the morning at Masterton and Wanganui at Wanganui at night.
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Work with School Children in Wanganui and travel to Palmerston North to play Manawatu at night.
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Travel to Napier to play Hawkes Bay at night.
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Travel to Gisborne to play Poverty Bay.
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Work with School Children on arrival or the next morning.
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Travel to Rotorua to play Bay of Plenty.
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Free Day
	North South at Rotorua
	Travel to Auckland Airport to fly home.

**SPORT NZ INVESTMENT SCHEDULE**

The review for last year's grant had been completed and had been forwarded to Sport NZ. The investment schedule for 2016-20 had been received with the focus being on developing coaches, umpires, all volunteers and the delivery of superior National events. The Island tour is

seen as a good avenue to promote this message to districts with opportunities for locals to gain experience on how to deliver good events. Districts need to be offering training to all their volunteers by taking advantage of courses run by local sports trusts and also those that will be provided by NZIB.

### **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

With the recent introduction on new legislation all NZIB's Health and Safety Policies needed to be reviewed and updated and draft documents will be discussed at the October Executive Meeting. It is likely that restrictions on handbags and drink bottles in the playing area will be introduced.

### **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

Nomination forms for the National Volunteer of the Year Award will be sent out and are also available from National office. All Districts are encouraged to recognise the work being done by their key volunteers. Applications to host National and Island Championships are also available and will be updated onto the website.

*That a nomination for David Edgar to become a Life Member of NZ Indoor Bowls be presented to the 2016 Annual General Meeting.*

Warnes/Rayner

Carried

BP IBC will be asked to consider options of hosting the 2019 National Championships and Canterbury the 2019 Island Championships.

The stocktake of NZIB's bowls had been completed.

Meeting closed at 6.40pm.