

**NEW ZEALAND INDOOR BOWLS INC  
MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD AT MIRAMAR GOLF CLUB,  
WELLINGTON, 13 JULY 2013 COMMENCING AT 9.15AM**

**PRESENT:** Martin Nordqvist, Trevor Rayner, David Edgar, David Lynn, Nigel Warnes and Ngaire Drake.

President Martin welcomed all to the meeting and said there were plenty of items on the agenda for discussion and he hoped it would be a productive and positive meeting.

*That the resignation of Executive Umpire's Representative Viv Hudson, due to illness be accepted.*

Edgar/Rayner Carried

**APOLOGIES:** Barry Chapman for lateness due to air travel disruptions- arrival 12.45pm

**MINUTES:**

*That the minutes of the executive meeting held on 4 May 2013 as circulated were taken as read.*

Rayner/Warnes Carried

**MATTERS ARISING:**

It was noted and corrected that the mover of the Financial Report last meeting had been Trevor Rayner and not Viv Hudson.

*That the corrected Minutes be accepted.*

Lynn/Warnes Carried

**FINANCE:**

*That the Statement of Accounts as at 12 July 2013 is accepted and cheques numbered 6045-6095 plus automatic payments are passed.*

Edgar/Lynn Carried

**CORRESPONDENCE**

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

1. Minutes of Executive Meeting 4 May 2013 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- to be re sent.
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. NZ Mixed Fours information to all districts



*That from the 2014 Nationals the entry fee be refunded for Umpires who do more than three sessions and catering tickets abolished.*

Warnes/Edgar

Carried

### **Possible date change**

A letter is to be written to North Taranaki and Tauranga IBA's requesting interest in their district hosting the 2016 Nationals during the first week of the July School holidays.

*That the format of the Nationals change from 2014 for each of the four events to be played out on consecutive days: - qualifying one day with post section the following days.*

Warnes/Lynn

Carried

There was discussion around the need to get newer bowlers to attend as in most cases they enjoyed the experience so much so they would return. Club bowlers who attend are asked to invite others within their club.

Music would be reintroduced next year.

It was acknowledged that there needed to be more interaction between the National Executive and host association with regards to cheaper accommodation opportunities, advertising houses to rent well in advance, catering which included incentives for the host district and better liaison with RSA's and Cosmopolitan Clubs.

*That the incentive for the host district seeking advertising should be from the start as a percentage in favour of NZIB for the first \$2,500 and as a percentage in favour of the host district there-after. The agreed figure be 70%-30% then 30%-70%.*

Edgar/Warnes

Carried

### **Academy and Masters Event**

Barry Chapman reported this event had become an integral part of the Nationals and those who had friends or club members selected in the teams generally provided support which created a good atmosphere. Players enjoyed it but the selection problem due to lack of nominations made it very difficult and the results too one sided in favour of the North.

### **ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS:**

Martin Nordqvist said he had attended and Southland IBC had run the event in their usual efficient way. He added that it had been well attended with many good games and finals.

### **ISLAND TOUR:**

For the first time ever the tour party would have no supporters and all arrangements were in the finalising process. David Lynn reported PB-EC would be organising promotional activities with a school and radio station and other Districts are asked to do similar and advise.

### **UMPIRES REPORT:**

An umpire's newsletter had been distributed advising 5 new national umpires and requesting feedback on whether a new 'Laws of the Game' was required. The one request received so far was for bigger print. It was agreed that umpires monograms, scarves, ties and ribbons be issued free of charge to all National umpires. Merle and Ivon Pash continued to do good work around the Examiner's Manual and future exams.

The following remit will be presented to the AGM

That Rule 4.1 Membership of the Executive be changed to

*The executive of New Zealand Indoor Bowls Inc shall comprise of the president, deputy president and five executive members elected at the Annual General Meeting.*

Edgar/Warnes

Carried

A member of the Executive will then undertake the responsibility to attend to Umpire Matters.

Duties will include:

- (i) To represent the interests of all members of the District Umpires Associations at meetings of NZIB.
- (ii) To liaise with the Executive Officer in respect of all issues relating to umpiring at local, national and international level.
- (iii) Carry out the duties of Controller of Umpires at the National Championships
- (i) Liaise with the National Examiner in respect his/her duties.
- (ii) Be the vetting officer for the national examination.
- (iii) Be involved in the planning and implementation of any new, umpire related initiatives.
- (iv) Be a member of any Laws Interpretation subcommittee.
- (v) Be a member of any Laws Review Committee.

### **PUBLICITY:**

Chris Bullen report indicated that it had been a much busier period preparing previews for the upcoming events and coverage of the Trans-Tasman contest.

It was acknowledged that the Website was the main official communication tool for NZIB and needed to include such items as Paterson teams and a summary of results after each round. District Publicity Officers need to provide this information quickly but it is unreasonable to expect the website to compete with Facebook.

### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:**

It was decided to continue with having the AGM in the morning plus afternoon workshop sessions. It is hoped to have a guest presenter and Districts are urged to send appropriate delegates who will contribute well.

There are many occasions when cheap airfares to Wellington are available and Districts should be taking advantage of these and booking early.

### **NZ JUNIORS/SECONDARY SCHOOLS EVENT:**

Entries for the Junior Singles were coming in slowly and all Districts should be encouraging their representative and other juniors to attend the Secondary Schools event which follows.

Entries for the North Island SS event have increased slightly. Hopefully entries in these events will gain momentum once the work in Intermediate and Primary schools start to produce the desired outcomes.

### **2014 NATIONALS CHAMPIONSHIPS- Taradale**

Erik Chilton report from Hawkes Bay stated:

- Venue now booked and quote and venue hire agreement being sent of NZIB
- Design of hall similar to Rotorua with the chairs/stands at the ends only being all out or all up.
- Subway on site but HB pursuing other catering options.

### **2013 INTERNATIONAL**

Comprehensive reports had been received from Team Manager Pat Hoult and Captain Grant l'Ami. They included many excellent points which will be taken into consideration when the plan to retain the trophy will be formulated at the end of the year. Letters of thanks are to be sent to the Secretary and President of Queensland Indoor Bowls who had hosted the event so well. Acknowledgement will also be sent to the Motel's NZ Managers who did everything possible to make the team feel at home.

Trevor Rayner reported on his investigations to try and establish more international games for our players. This is considered a very important step in lifting the profile of the game. He has determined that several countries play an indoor form of the game on 30ft mats and most of these are administered through their National Lawn Bowls Association with the exception of the English Carpet Bowls Association. Further investigations will continue.

### **EQUIPMENT:**

The sale of bowls had declined probably due to the drying up of gaming funds. Promising news had been received after a new mat had been trialled and it was hopeful that production and costs would be finalised soon.

### **2014 NATIONAL PROGRAMME:**

The draft programme was discussed and the following districts will be asked to host National events.

26 July	NZ Mixed Fours	Upper Hutt Valley
30 August	NZ Junior Singles	North Wellington
31 August- 1 September	NZ Secondary Schools Championships	North Wellington
5-7 September	Welch Trophy	North Harbour
13 September	Champion of Champions	Hamilton

The following Tour by the North Island team was approved and districts will be asked to host matches.

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> August: Team arrives Christchurch .Plays Canterbury, Ashburton at Night.  
Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> : Travel to Blenheim and play Marlborough at night  
Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>: Travel to Nelson. Play Nelson in the day and go to Motueka and play Golden Bay at night.  
Monday 11<sup>th</sup>: Travel to Hokitika and play West Coast at night.  
Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>: Travel to Oamaru and play South Canterbury, North Otago Combined at night.  
Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>: Travel to Balclutha and play South Otago, Southland Combined at night.  
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup>: Travel to Dunedin to play Otago, Central Otago Combined.  
Friday 15<sup>th</sup>: Travel to Timaru.Rest Day.  
Saturday 16<sup>th</sup>: North South at Timaru.  
Sunday 17<sup>th</sup>: Return to Christchurch Airport.

**Air Bookings for National events:**

As air fares increase it becomes more and more difficult pleasing individuals and teams on how they should travel to a national event. It was agreed that for teams events travel should be by car up to 600km unless the air fares were cheaper. For other events if a bowler flies, kms up to 100km to the airport would not be reimbursed.

***Also please remind your bowlers that they will be paid the cheaper of the appropriate air fare/ or the kms travelled.***

**EXECUTIVE OFFICERS' CONTRACT:**

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

Edgar/Rayner Carried

**EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT:**

*That the Executive Officers report be ratified.*

Edgar/Warnes Carried

**SPORT NZ INVESTMENT SCHEDULE**

Time was spent discussing strategies to achieve required Key Performance Indicators around increases in both young people and Club Membership. NZIB also fails dismally with Coach and Umpire developments and needs to get structures in place to promote growth in these areas. David Edgar is going to provide a review of the Umpires situation and Trevor Rayner, Coaching for further discussion and action at the next Executive meeting.

NZIB is also very keen to see Districts try and put in place a Business House competition. Funding for this initiative is available from the Development Fund so please help the sport by trying something new.

**DEVELOPMENT CONTRACTS:**

Both Michelle Watt's position with Sport Taranaki and Craig Whiteside in the Development role further north continue to do good work in the schools. The comparison between the two different approaches is being watched with interest and NZIB is hopeful that a resource can be developed which will help districts create similar roles. Disappointment was expressed at no increase in the number of entries for the AIMS Games although the cost is a deterring factor.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

Keith Waghorn, Manawatu had advised that planning was underway for an event later in the year using the International mats and they were looking for sponsorship. He reported the fact that only 7 mats were available limited possibilities.

Districts are reminded that they should be considering nominations for the National Volunteer of the Year Award which was introduced last year. A nomination form will be sent out with Minutes.

David Edgar said he was disappointed that the Young Guns tournament for 18-30 year olds in the Waikato IBC Hall had been scheduled on the same day as the NZ Junior -31 August/September 1. David Lynn spoke with passion about this event and whether or not it becomes a National event will be evaluated later.

It was noted that Deaf Indoor Bowls NZ Secretary Martin Holtham had visited National Office to make himself known and collect information.

Meeting closed at 4.40pm.