

**NEW ZEALAND INDOOR BOWLS (INC)
MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD AT THE MIRAMAR GOLF
CLUB, WELLINGTON 5 MAY 2012 COMMENCING AT 9 30AM.**

PRESENT: Trevor Rayner (in the chair), David Edgar, Viv Hudson, Delwyn Hughes, Barry Chapman, Martin Nordqvist, Stewart Chilton & Ngaire Drake.

President Trevor Rayner welcomed all to the meeting. He said it was good to again have a full attendance and to see both Delwyn Hughes and Viv Hudson recovering so well from recent surgery.

APOLOGIES:

Nil

MINUTES:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 11 February 2012 as circulated, were taken as read and approved.

Nordqvist/Edgar Carried

MATTERS ARISING NOT COVERED LATER: Nil

FINANCE:

That the Statement of Accounts as at 4 May 2012, be accepted and cheque numbers 5388-5414 plus automatic payments be approved.

Hudson/Edgar Carried

This included a grant for \$48,000 from the Lion Foundation and Sport NZ Funding for \$32,000 ex GST.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Sent to District Secretaries

- Minutes of Executive Meeting 11 February with financial position.
- Revised rules for all 2012 National events.
- Nomination forms and information for Academy and Masters events and Island teams
- Code of conduct
- Updated list of District Secretaries
- Schedule of Tournament and AGM Expenses
- National Championships input sheets and instructions for completion

District Umpire Secretaries were sent Minutes from Executive meeting, Umpires newsletter and examination information

LION FOUNDATION NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS:

Final entries are:

Singles 490; Pairs 305; Triples 190; Fours 150 TOTAL 878

The number of entries was on par with expectations but disappointment was expressed at the poor support of neighbouring districts.

Controller David Edgar presented a draft Master Plan which reflected the following:

Singles: Four sessions of 60 mats
Times are 8:30am, 11:40am, 2:50pm and 6pm
Pairs: Three sessions of 50 mats
Times are 8:30am, 12:15pm and 4pm.
Triples: Two sessions of 40 mats
Times are 8:30 am and 12:40pm.
Fours: Two sessions of 40 mats
Times are 8:30am and 1:40pm

It was noted the fours could have been played in one session but it would have been too crowded

The full draw should be posted on the website within two weeks.

That David Edger negotiates with SIBC over medical cover to be provided at the event. Hughes/Hudson Carried

The printer was currently finalising copy for the programme

There are limited vacancies in singles, pairs, and fours so contact National Office if you have bowlers interested.

Please note that nominations for Academy and Masters Teams close 11 May and to date only 3 had been received. Districts are asked to submit forms to ensure that the event can successfully proceed.

It was proposed that the fixture be held following the pair's final on the Tuesday afternoon/evening with a meal and presentation to follow at the conclusion.

That the contract with the Rotorua Event Centre to host the 2014 Nationals be accepted.

Edgar/Nordqvist Carried.

Clarification would be sought from the organising committee on the process to secure the promised \$25k grant to help off set expenses relating to the venue hire.

NORTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSIPS:

Manawatu IBA had advised that entries received were Pairs 109; Triples 62 and Fours 48.

ISLAND TOUR AND NATIONAL EVENTS:

Accommodation had been arranged. Would districts please advise meal costs for either tour games or National events as soon as possible? It should be noted that especially with the Tour meals that it is quite acceptable for the team to eat at local club /pub if that was the more economical option.

NZ MIXED FOURS:

Due to confusion regarding catering expectations at Zone finals full details from the host district is currently being sought. Once known details will be sent to the other districts attending. In the past some districts have been happy to provide for free and others have charged.

PUBLICITY REPORT:

The first preview of the National Championships is being prepared and will be posted on the website and sent to the media and District Publicity Officers. It was good to note that all defending champions will be present to try and defend their titles.

The Academy and Masters Teams will be announced on May 23rd on the website and through the media.

Bowlers will be able to keep up to date throughout the national championships via the website www.nzindoorbowls.co.nz

Delwyn said she was being up-skilled to be able to act as Webmaster due to the absence of Jock Jamieson later in the year.

COACHING:

David Edgar had reviewed the coaching manual and it will be updated to a valuable resource available on line.

Michael Lawson Course at Otago University 21-23 September was already full with 31 students enrolled. Otago IBA would be invited to send representatives to a session as the promotion of the game at the University was considered an excellent and over due initiative.

The deficiencies in Coaching as identified in the Sport NZ reporting were discussed and more training opportunities needed to be available to coaches. Stewart Chilton is to prepare a proposal for discussion at July Executive Meeting.

PROMOTION ROLES:

It was reported that Craig Whiteside had settled in well to this role in the TG/BP/PB area and had so far held 40 sessions at schools with 1031 students attending. The number of entries for the AIMS games will be looked at with interest when they close 11 May. Craig is being supported by an excellent network of helpers and districts.

With the National Championships being held in Rotorua next year the idea to have a special promotion to include student entries in the singles and pairs will be pursued further. It is considered a good opportunity to build on the work that is currently taking place.

Establishing the role with Sport Taranaki was taking longer than hoped but a Memorandum of Understanding had been signed and interviews would be held 11 May.

CANTERBURY SITUATION:

Canterbury IBA had presented a budget for the year but it was disappointing that it did not specify the requested information showing the increased costs caused by the earthquake. However there is obvious hardship in the District which NZIB has always recognised but could not commit to funding until specific evidence had been provided.

That a one off grant of \$6,000 to assist with Canterbury IBA's operational costs be approved.

Edgar/Nordqvist

Carried

UMPIRES MATTERS:

It was pleasing to note that 33 candidates will be sitting or re sitting the National examination to be held 5 May. Examiner Graham Gerrand was helpful with the late notification of candidates and will be extremely busy with marking the papers.

Districts are also reminded that refresher courses should be held regularly.

Umpires attending the Nationals are asked to be available to assist and the pre Nationals meeting would be held in the SIBC Hall at 8pm on Friday 8 June.

Viv Hudson is to review the District Secretaries Umpire's Manual.

DISTRICT REPORTS:

Executive members reported to the meeting on the discussions they had had with their individual districts.

DEVELOPMENT FUND:

Disappointment was expressed at the lack of interest and concern that nothing is being done to promote the game within the districts. No comments had been received on the Hints for New Membership booklet and the coaching DVD's which each club should have received. Any feed back on this initiative would be appreciated.

That the Executive Officer's Report be accepted.

Hughes/Edgar

Carried

Some of the issues raised:

NZ Secondary Schools and North Island SS Events:

Entry forms and information for both had been sent to all districts and to the NZ Secondary Schools Sports Council's website www.nzsssc.co.nz . However the importance of each District supporting these events cannot be emphasised enough. It would be extremely disappointing if district's entrants to the NZ Junior Singles event did not stay on and compete. It must be noted though that entries for the Secondary Schools event must be handled separately and signed off by School Principals.

NZ Junior Singles entry forms and information had also been emailed out and the junior certificate for each district's winner will be completed and issued at event. It should be noted also that there will be a North Island Secondary School event to be held in Tauranga 2-3 July and districts are also asked to promote this amongst their schools/students.

Insurance

Jardine Lloyd Thompson Insurance reported that over 150 indoor bowls clubs/districts currently had policies and they were pleased to be able to continue with the group scheme. As you will be aware all insurance fees are increasing so if others are interested in receiving a quote just phone JLT on 0800 111 644.

Equipment.

It was very pleasing to note that bowls and mats were both back in stock and all back orders had been cleared this week.

Newsletter:

Two issues had been distributed and districts are requested to supply reports of any positive happenings in their district.

INTERNATIONAL MAT REQUEST:

A request had been received from Manawatu to host a new event being played on the International Mats. NZIB supports this initiative on the understanding that Manawatu covers the cost of the delivery/dispatch of the mats. Dates needed to be discussed as the NZ Trialists will need the mats for practice once they are announced in September.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Membership forms which needed to be returned with payment by 31 July 2012 would be emailed out.

It was noted that the closing date for nomination for Island Teams was 25 May and not 18 May as in the calendar.

The following remit will be presented to 2012 AGM

That a clause be added to the Henselite Champion of Champions and NZ Mixed Fours National Events Rules stating that entrants can only enter in the district for which they play representative bowls.

Rayner/Hudson

Carried

Meeting closed at 3.50pm.