

**NEW ZEALAND INDOOR BOWLS INC  
MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD AT MIRAMAR GOLF CLUB  
9 OCTOBER 2010 COMMENCING AT 9.45AM**

**PRESENT:** Martin Nordqvist, David Edgar, Delwyn Hughes, Viv Hudson, Barry Chapman, Stewart Chilton and Ngaire Drake.

Acting President Martin welcomed all to the meeting and said it was good to have Stewart Chilton back after he had missed the last Executive meeting because of illness.

**APOLOGIES:** Trevor Rayner (due to presence at Commonwealth Games)

**MINUTES:**

*That the Minutes of the Executive Meeting held on 10 July 2010 as circulated were taken as read.*

Hughes/Edgar Carried

**MATTERS ARISING NOT COVERED LATER: nil**

**FINANCE:**

*That the Statement of Accounts as at 8 October 2010 is accepted and cheques numbered 5229-5240; 4041-4134 plus automatic payments be passed.*

Hughes/Hudson Carried

A draft copy of the NZIB's Financial Statement for the year ended 30 September 2010 which had been distributed was discussed. These accounts needed to be finalised and audited for inclusion in the Annual Report. A copy of this should be sent to all Districts at least two weeks before the AGM.

It was agreed that the organisation was now in a very sound financial position which was necessary due to the uncertainty of future funding. Concern was expressed at the continued drop in membership and how the funds could be used in the most meaningful way to arrest this problem. Even though tournament expenses are monitored closely they are by far the biggest expenditure item and it was acknowledged that NZIB spends more on National events than most other sporting organisations. A draft budget for the 2010/11 year would be sent out with AGM Meeting papers.

In view of the current financial situation it was agreed:

*That the recommendation be put to the 2010 Annual General Meeting for the affiliation fees for the 2011 year to remain the same at \$9 per member; \$1 for Juniors and \$100 Associate Bodies.*

Hudson/Chilton Carried.

## **CORRESPONDENCE:**

### **Sent to District Secretaries**

Minutes of Executive Meeting 10 July 2010 with financial position  
Letters to districts requesting they host 2011 National events and tour matches with host district duties attached  
Draft 2011 National Programme  
Final details and mat draws for districts hosting 2010 tour matches  
AGM information including remit form, delegate's registration, and nomination of officers  
District Membership Numbers; Umpires Newsletter

### **To Umpire Secretaries**

Minutes of Executive Meeting 10 July with financial position  
Umpires Newsletter

## **REPORTS OF NATIONAL EVENTS:**

### **Island Tour**

Tour Manager, David Edgar reported that it was one of the best sports teams that he had been part of and this had been reflected in the results achieved. There had been two opportunities to promote the sport- the first with a club in Ngatea and the second a group of juniors in Whangarei-both most enjoyable and worthwhile.

### **North/ South**

Controller Barry Chapman said the event was evenly contested with either team having a chance going into the final round. Counties IBA provided great support and the assistance provided by Ron Blythe was acknowledged.

### **Henselite Champion of Champions**

Martin Nordqvist who controlled this event said the day had been a pleasure to control and all the games were played in good spirit even if some did end a draw. There was an excellent turnout of local players to help mark and look after the permanent scoreboards. The recent purchase of 16 sets of back and yellow bowls were put to good use and made for good viewing.

### **NZ Mixed Fours**

Trevor Rayner controlled the event and reported Napier Association set up the hall and provided local officials who manned the scoreboards throughout the day. He congratulated them on their efforts and said it was by far the most enjoyable of the past 4 Mixed Fours events he had attended. The South Island teams flew to Wellington and used rental cars to travel to Napier. This worked well and made costs more realistic than flying direct.

### **NZ Junior Singles**

Controller, Trevor Rayner reported it was pleasing to see the number of prominent local players who attended to support the players and the day ran really smoothly and kept to time. This was assisted greatly by the competitors who moved to their mats promptly and were eager to get on with their games. This was the 4th year in a row that North Wellington

has hosted this Tournament and they will do so again next year. This is a big ask for any district but Wellington is the ideal location for it and the SS event which follows. It could be time for another Wellington district to become involved with the hosting of them?

### **NZ Secondary Schools Event**

Trevor Rayner reported both days went really smoothly with competitors enjoying their games and their attitudes both during and between games was exemplary. It is vital that the event grows and districts should be making more effort to increase numbers and not just rely on their junior representative staying on for the singles on the Sunday. Trophies donated by Bill West of Tauranga were presented to the winners of the singles, pairs and Player of the Tournament.

### **Welch Trophy**

Trevor Rayner again controlled the event and reported excellent support from the local and visiting spectators and there were plenty of people willing to assist by marking the singles games. He added it was a magnificent performance by Canterbury as Christchurch had experienced the earthquake on the Saturday morning.

Even though the tournament was played in a great spirit it is concerning that slow play can extend a session to almost 4 hours. Managers should not allow this to happen and the top players need to be aware that it is not acceptable.

### **2011 NATIONAL PROGRAMME**

A revised copy of this will be sent out with Minutes.

Please note the inclusion of the North Island Secondary Schools tournament to be held in Tauranga 18-19 July. It has been sanctioned by NZ Secondary Schools Sports Council along with the National event.

Replies from districts regarding hosting events, tour games and road shows had been slow in coming in and confirmation was still required from Taranaki and South Otago.

Delwyn Hughes said she had been thinking of ways on how to celebrate the Welch Trophy Diamond Jubilee next year in Hamilton in a manner that would not disrupt the competition too much. Barry Chapman is to follow up options with his district.

### **Paterson- Zone 5**

The agreed change by all districts for Nelson to host in 2011 and Ashburton in 2012 was approved.

### **2011 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Gerry McGregor would be chairing the local organising committee and was responsible for all accommodation bookings including houses. He can be contact on 04-478 5033 or weeg@xtra.co.nz

### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The AGM would start at 10.30am and there would be workshops during the afternoon. The breakout sessions of mixed groups of districts will be asked to report back on local positive happenings and a 'wish list' of what they wanted from the Executive.

Would those districts who have not advised their delegate please do so.

The full AGM papers would be sent out at least a month before the meeting.

A representative from Sparc would be invited to attend

### **PUBLICITY**

Delwyn Hughes reported that it was the busiest time of the year for her preparing reports on all the events but she still enjoyed it and appreciated the opportunity to watch all the excellent bowls being played.

Phil Quinney has continued to do media reports on Newstalk ZB and Radio Sport but it has been a difficult year with so much other sport on. In total this season there had been 9 individual reports broadcast over 6 separate Indoor Bowls National events

*That a contract with Phil Quinney be put in place for 2011.*

Hughes/Edgar

Carried

### **TELEVISION COVERAGE**

The quotes received from Cue TV to cover both the International and the Nationals next year were fully debated. It was decided to seek feedback from districts regarding the value of Television coverage and if only one event was to be shown which would be preferred. This would also cover whether or not playing the semi finals one after the other at the Nationals so that both games could be televised was favoured as it did cause considerable delays. There will be a poll on the website and a survey sent to districts.

A letter from North Harbour regarding TV coverage at the Nationals to include a possible junior play off and inviting schools to attend was noted.

### **WEBSITE:**

The website continues to be well supported and it is recognised that it is the most efficient way of keeping up to date with results due to the poor newspaper coverage of the sport.

The national championships continue to lead the way in the number of visits recorded and photographs provided by Delwyn are very popular.

It is pleasing to see a further increase in subscribers to the free email update service which number now 160 and all website users are encouraged to do this just by clicking the icon on the front page of the site.

Newsletter had been distributed monthly and it was agreed that another be prepared before the end of the year just for updating on the website.

The question was asked is enlarging the newsletter to A3 and posting it to all clubs/districts etc still relevant now that it can so easily be downloaded from the website. A survey seeking feedback on this matter will be sent out with the newsletter.

### **COACHING/ROADSHOWS:**

The paper prepared by Trevor Rayner was discussed and will be finalised after the December meeting. It is likely Craig Whiteside will just attend the road shows on the scheduled dates. However if any neighbouring

district wished to have him visit on a date that could be combined with the Road Show schedule please let National Office know now.

**ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP:**

A letter from Clubs NZ resigning as an Associate Member as they now had a new policy regarding Association Memberships of external organisations was noted with regret. This letter will be acknowledged with the hope that the two organisations will continue to work together for the betterment of the game.

**DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT FUND:**

Five grants had been approved during the year and it was agreed to continue with this initiative. It is disappointing however that more districts do not take the opportunity to receive funding for the development of the game in their area. They are encouraged to do so next year. Otego's final payment for their school holiday programme was being held until a report of the event was received.

**UMPIRES:**

Viv Hudson reported that refresher training was active in a few areas and she had attended two sessions. She was very impressed with North Wellington who has already 5 candidates for the exam next year.

She said it was very important that NZIB keeps working on the refresher courses and encourage all bowlers to be part of the training and umpires examinations. Graham Gerrand worked very hard to ensure the examination was clear and the questions needed to be read properly. Viv said the laws needed to be studied with the trainers in each area and this would ensure quality umpires and a better understanding of the Laws. She is currently finalising a list of umpire trainers which will be available to assist districts throughout the country.

The Executive Officer's Report was tabled and accepted.

**General Business:  
Equipment**

Orders had been delayed due to lack of stock but there was now plenty available for order.

*That the cost of a set of black and yellow bowls would now be \$920 and half sets \$510 due to the increase in Gst*

Hughes/Hudson

Carried

It was pleasing to note that the Canterbury IB team was a finalist in the Canterbury Sports Awards up against their rugby team and Keith Setter had been nominated for the Bay of Plenty Sportsman of the Year Award.

Stewart Chilton asked that it be recorded that the Southland Stadium destroyed by the recent snow storms was not the venue for the Nationals in 2012 and they would proceed to host in the Southland Indoor Bowls Hall as scheduled.

He also asked if entrants to National events should wear their district uniforms and was told this was a definite requirement.

It was agreed that the NZIB Trophy register was no longer applicable due to electronic records held.

Martin Nordqvist was congratulated during the meeting when it was heard that he had been elected to the Ashburton District Council for the first time.

Meeting closed 3.45pm