# NEW ZEALAND INDOOR BOWLS INC MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD BRENTWOOD HOTEL. WELLINGTON, 12 OCTOBER 2018 COMMENCING AT 6PM

**PRESENT:** Nigel Warnes, Michael Lawson, Barry Chapman, Trevor Rayner, David Edgar, Graham Low, David Lynn and Ngaire Drake.

President Nigel welcomed and thanked Executive Members for accommodating the late time change of the meeting. He said some important decisions had to be made at the meeting regarding the future of the sport and it was necessary that all were present to contribute.

**APOLOGIES:** David Edgar for late arrival

That the apology be accepted.

Rayner/Lynn

Carried

**MINUTES:** 

That the Minutes of the Executive Meeting held on 14 July 2018 as circulated were taken as read.

Chapman/Rayner Carried

### MATTERS ARISING NOT COVERED LATER:

Notes from Nationals Forum- Graham Low had completed this document and it will be distributed to districts and made available on the website.

Public Liability- An approach had been made to the insurer JLT about possible coverage of Public Liability for all clubs. However JLT were unwilling to offer a premium, lower than that already offered to the individual clubs through the group scheme so the annual charge on a master policy was not viable.

Mat fault DVD- this had now been finalised and a link would be made available on the website

That a donation of \$1,000 be made to Alex Reed for his work associated with the production of the DVD.

Chapman/Lynn Carried

**FINANCE:** 

That the Statement of Accounts as at 12 October 2018 is accepted and cheque number 5772-84 plus direct debits, credit card and automatic payments be passed.

Rayner/Lawson Carried

A draft copy of the NZIB's Financial Statement for the year ended 30 September 2018 was discussed and will now be finalised and audited for inclusion in the Annual Report. A copy of this will be sent to all Districts at least two weeks before the AGM.

Over recent years, fewer districts have requested individual copies of the Annual Report for their Clubs. Please let National Office know by 26 October if you wish this to happen. Otherwise, one copy will just be sent to all districts, available for AGM delegates and uploaded to the website.

An increase in grant funding and the Summerset involvement that had resulted in a small operating profit was considered a good result. NZIB could not continue to rely

on these grants however especially as there was a current government review which could result in a decrease of available funds.

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

## **Sent to District Secretaries**

Minutes of Executive Meeting 14 July 2018 with financial report

Letters to districts requesting they host 2019 National events and tour matches with host district duties attached

Draft 2019 National Programme

Final details and mat draws for districts hosting 2018 tour matches

AGM information including remit form, delegate's registration, and nomination of officers

District Membership Numbers

## **REPORTS OF NATIONAL EVENTS:**

All events were well organised with no issues reported.

Host districts were thanked for their valuable help in ensuring it was an enjoyable experience for all those who attended.

### **INDOOR BOWLS FUTURE:**

Nigel Warnes said the sport could not continue the way it was going and if major changes were not introduced he could see indoor bowls falling over within 3-5 years.

He added it would be irresponsible of the Executive not to try and arrest the decline and apathy which is starting to appear in many Districts. All Executive Members agreed and approaches will be made to contract a Sports Development/ Co-ordinator/Promoter in the hope that a successful pathway to the future can be implemented. This person needed to be an outsider with a different perspective to what Executive or indoor bowlers provided.

This will be discussed at length during the Annual General meeting.

That the following remit passed at the Executive Meeting 14 July 2018 From 2019 the Henselite Champion of Champions Singles and NZ Junior Singles be conducted on the same zonal basis as NZ Mixed Fours and Pairs with the host district rotation being the same- be rescinded.

Lawson/Rayner Carried

New Remit:

That the Mixed Pairs be funded as per other National events.

Lynn/Lawson

Carried

The reasoning for putting these proposals on hold is to allow the person involved with moving the sport forward the complete freedom to suggest changes that can be instigated easily.

The remits received from Districts will still be presented but will be withdrawn as they are now void.

Michael Lawson added that NZIB should be introducing a new 1-5 Year National Development event based on the zones. It was strongly felt that new bowlers needed support and opportunities to play with and against bowlers of similar ability.

That a new 1-5 Year Development National event be funded and included in the 2019 Calendar.

Lawson/Rayner

Carried

Event rules will be made available later.

## **2019 NATIONAL PROGRAMME**

The programme was finalised with the major changes:

- North Island Secondary Schools event changed to 27-28 July.
- 1-5 Year Development Pairs National Final- Nelson tbc 24 August
- Henselite Champion of Champions-Christchurch tbc-21 September
- October Executive Meeting changed to 19 October.
- Closing date for Henselite C of C, NZ Junior Singles and 1-5 Year Pairs will be 22 July

The 2019 Deadlines for District Secretaries will also be sent out with the programme.

### **PUBLICITY:**

Delwyn Hughes reported it was another busy year with all events covered with google spreadsheets on Facebook and through the Website. Live streaming of events had raised the profile but arguably only amongst converted bowlers. Whilst recognising Delwyn's contribution over such a long period it would be preferable to get new person involved at this stage and thus take advantage of Delwyn's help.

If anyone is interested, please contact National Office.

That Delwyn Hughes remains as National Publicity Co-ordinator to cover the National Championships and preview events and all National events including the International be covered by the District Publicity Officer.

Rayner/Lawson

Carried

## **WEBMASTER:**

The website continues to be an important resource for information relating to NZ Indoor Bowls events around the country, but with the ever-increasing reliance on the Google spreadsheet and now also utilising Facebook live, it is not as an important resource for 'instant' information as it once used to be.

That a \$1,000 donation be made to Webmaster Paul Voorend acknowledging his work this year.

Rayner/Lynn

Carried

## **2019 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS:**

The contract with Events and Venues-Rotorua was finalised and signed off.

### 2021 ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS: - to be ratified at AGM

That the application from Bay of Plenty Indoor Bowling Centre to host the 2021 Island Championships be accepted.

Lynn/Rayner

Carried

**2021 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS: -** to be put on hold and considered next year.

### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:**

The AGM would again start at 10.30am and was expected to finish by 3.30pm. Would those districts who have not advised their delegate please do so. This will be an important meeting so it is hoped that all Districts make the effort to attend and contribute.

Full AGM papers will be sent out early in November.

That the recommendation be put to the 2018 Annual General Meeting that the affiliation fees for the 2019 year be \$15 per member; \$2 for Juniors and \$120 Associate Bodies.-all gst inclusive.

Low/Lawson

Carried.

#### **VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR:**

Some excellent nominations were received for this award and a very worthy winner will be announced at the AGM. Many districts continue to disappoint by not recognising their key volunteers in this way. A special NZIB award recognising the outstanding contribution made by a volunteer in a district will also be made.

### **COACHING:**

Plans have been developing slowly to ensure they are correct and workable. A Contract and MOU is currently being finalised to establish a Regional Development / Coach in the Auckland area.

The Executive Officer's Report was tabled and accepted. Most items had been covered throughout the day.

## **HEALTH AND SAFETY:**

There were no issues to report.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

As they were attending, their last Executive Meeting Trevor Rayner and David Lynn were thanked for their contribution on the Executive.

Trevor will be further acknowledged with Life Membership at the AGM

Graham Low said he had been in contact with the Australian Team Manager, Joe Simpson and arrangements for the May Test in Invercargill were developing well. A draft MOU and Budget were being finalised between Southland IBC and NZIB so there is complete clarity over roles resulting in an excellent run event.

Nominations for the NZ team have closed with 16 men and 11 women making themselves available for selection. The team will be announced at the AGM.

Several school requests for second hand equipment had been received especially in the Whakatane/ Aims dominated area. NZIB would be surprised if Bay of Plenty or neighbouring districts cannot help, as there must be hundreds of surplus mats / bowls from clubs that have folded.

Please contact National Office if you can help these schools out.

The meeting closed at 10.45pm.