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President: Leigh McAdam Secretary: Rob McGuire



Minutes of the Board meeting held at the Buckingham Bowls Club on Monday 22 September 2014 commencing at 4.30pm

Present: Leigh McAdam (President), Grant Allford, Ross Bannister, Jan Booth, Tony Fulton, Paula Hadley, Shirley Hay, Tony Kerrison (until 5.45pm), Nick Lee and Rob McGuire and Chris Lee and Marion Florence (Bowls Tasmania).

Apologies: Ailsa Milburn (Deputy President).

Minutes: Moved: Jan Booth Seconded Shirley Hay that the minutes of the meetings held on 1 September 2014 and 8 September 2014 be confirmed. Carried

Matters Arising:

Purchase of Laptops

The laptops have been purchased and have arrived.

BTS Asset Register

The Asset Register is complete and a copy has been circulated to BTS Board members.

Matters raised at Delegates Meeting

- The membership forum to discuss ways of increasing membership at Clubs will be held at the Buckingham Bowls Club on Thursday 13 November 2014 at 7.30pm.
- The Secretary has contacted both Buckingham and Dover RSL again regarding the issue of inadequate shelter at the Clubs, however, no response has been received from Buckingham. Dover RSL has advised that it is impossible to shade the southern end of the green as it is the entrance to the Club and there is not enough space. The east and west ends of the green have shelter and the Greenkeeper has been instructed to play the green that way when it is going to be a hot day. The advice from Dover RSL was accepted.

DJ Motors Sponsorship

The Secretary met with Tania Hinden from DJ Motors again on 18 September 2014 to discuss in more detail how the barefoot bowls part of the sponsorship will work. The Secretary undertook to submit a revised sponsorship agreement to DJ Motors in the next few days.

Appointment of BTS Publicity Officer

The Mercury has appointed Rob McGuire as its replacement lawn bowls reporter for Tony Fulton. Moved Tony Fulton Seconded Ross Bannister that Rob McGuire also be appointed as the BTS Publicity Officer. Carried.

Expressions of Interest - Selectors for BTS Southern Teams

It was agreed that it is BTS policy that preference will be given to non-playing selectors, managers and coaches for Southern representative teams, however, if no such suitable nominations are received then consideration will be given to appointing playing selectors, managers and coaches.

It was agreed to accept the verbal nomination of Ken Broomhead and Tom O'Brien as Selectors for the Men's Over 60's team (Gerry Tew was also appointed as a Selector for the Men's Over 60's team at the last Board meeting.). It was agreed to accept the nomination of Tony Hack as a Selector for the Men's team. It was further agreed to appoint Tony Kerrison as Coach and Verona Kerrison as Manager of the Women's Southern team initially for the Southern round of Statewide pennant. It was also agreed to accept the verbal nomination of Debbie Lee as a Selector for the Women's Southern team.

Love this bowls

It was agreed to raise the matter of any outstanding positions again at the Delegates meeting.

Glenorchy RSL Green and the 2014-15 Season

David McLean inspected the Glenorchy RSL green on 22 September 2014 and provided a verbal report for the meeting. A written report is to come from David McLean. It was agreed that the President and Secretary would meet with the President of Glenorchy RSL when the written report is received.

BTS Lanyards

The Secretary has ordered 100 lanyards for use by Board and Committee members.

Return games re Kingborough's Premier League Friday night games

Sandy Bay has advised that its return Premier League game against Kingborough will be played at the normal starting time on Saturday 14 February 2014. No response has yet been received from Glenorchy Rodman, Rosny Park or Buckingham.

Side Captain's Guide

A draft document was prepared by the BTS Umpires Panel and circulated to Board members prior to the meeting. The changes proposed by the BTS Umpires Panel were agreed upon and Tony Kerrison undertook to produce a final document for circulation by the Secretary to Clubs and for posting on the BTS website.

Appointment of new Patron

It was agreed to leave this matter to the next meeting.

Updated BTS Strategic Plan

The Secretary undertook to update the Strategic Plan and circulate it to Board members for ratification at a future Board meeting.

Correspondence:

Inwards:

Huonville - Dispensation to play men in Women's Thursday Division Two - Approved but men must be from Huonville's lowest Saturday Pennant side.

Max Barry - Umpire Assets - Noted.

Michael Eiszele - Resignation as Southern Selector - Noted.

Bowls Tasmania - Statewide Pennant information - Noted.

Beltana, Buckingham, Claremont, Derwent City, Glenorchy Rodman, Rosny Park and St John's Park - Willing to host BT and BTS Championship events - Noted

NWTBA - Legal opinion re BT constitutional dispute - Noted.

Bowls Tasmania - Tasmanian State Championships and Satellite Challenge Series 2 - 9 January 2015 - Noted.

Sandy Bay - Return Premier League game v's Kingborough on Saturday 14 February 2015 at 1pm - Noted.

Sorell - Appeal against decision to refuse change of Divisions - Agreed to stand by original decision.

Howrah - Offer to field a second team in Saturday Premier League Division 6 if there is a vacancy in the Division - This is not permitted under Conditions of Play.

Ross Bannister - Establish BTS policy that selectors, managers and coaches can also play in BTS representative teams.

It was agreed that BTS policy is that it is BTS preference that selectors, managers and coaches of BTS representative teams not be players in those teams, however, in the event that no other suitable nominations are received then BTS will accept players as selectors, managers or coaches.

Derwent City - Approval for Horace Geappon to use a bowling arm - Approved.

BTS Umpires Panel - Changes to Conditions of Play - Noted.

Dover RSL - Shade and Afternoon Tea - Noted.

Rosny Park - Withdrawal of Women's Thursday Division 5 side - Noted.

Outwards:

All Clubs – Delegates Day, Premier League games at Kingborough, Women's Over 60's Fours Championships, Hosting of BT and BTS championships, first draft of BT Handbook, Conditions of Play 2014-15, Amendment to Midweek Division 4 Roster, Synthetic or grass greens for Pennant, Club Registration Forms and Payments 2014-15, Agenda Delegates Day, Australian Indoor Championships on Foxtel, Newsletter September 2014, Pennant Results Form 2014-15, Reminder re afternoon tea, Board Minutes 1 September 2014, Board Minutes 8 September 2014, Men's Southern Squad for Statewide Pennant, Vacancies selectors, coaches and manager positions for Southern teams, Learn to bowl coaching courses, composite pennant sides, Department of Sport & Recreation MPIO workshops and governance forums, Working with Children check seminars and SMA State Conference.,

Bowls Tasmania - Statewide Pennant at Buckingham, Changes to BT Handbook information, Query green allocation for Statewide Pennant.

Max Barry - Umpire assets.

Alex Stanelos - Appointment as BTS Men's Selector.

Gerry Tew - Appointment as BTS Men's Over 60's Selector.

Taroona - Change of Conditions of Play to only allow one opposite gender player per rink.

Dover RSL - Approval of entry Saturday Division 6 Pennant team.

National Sports Depot - Accept quote for caps.

Taroona - Refuse to Change of Conditions of Play to only allow two opposite gender player per rink and to allow them to play in any position apart from skip.

New Norfolk - Refuse to change Conditions of Play to allow A Grade women to play in the Challenger League.

Howrah - Permission to play Division 6 and Challenger League games on synthetic green.

Buckingham - Statewide Pennant 19 October 2014.

Kingborough - Opening Day.

Glenorchy Rodman, Rosny Park, Sandy Bay and Buckingham - Day and time of return Premier League games v's Kingborough.

Sorell - Refuse request to be promoted to Premier League Division 4.

Moved Grant Allford Seconded: Nick Lee that the inwards correspondence be received and the outwards correspondence be endorsed. Carried.

Reports:

Finance:

Treasurer Tony Fulton submitted his report to the meeting. Moved: Tony Fulton Seconded: Tony Kerrison that the Treasurer's Report be accepted and accounts paid be approved. Carried

Clearances:

Moved: Tony Fulton Seconded: Tony Kerrison that the following interstate clearances be approved and the other clearances are noted:

- Alan Bannister - Geeveston to Dover RSL
- Daniel Elliott - New Norfolk to Rosny Park
- Paul Groarke - Glenorchy Rodman to Buckingham

- John Howard - Rosny Park to Claremont
- Daniel Hudson - Glenorchy Rodman to Brighton (Victoria)
- Joyce Lapworth - Kingborough to Taroona
- Paul McCann - Royal Hobart to Sandy Bay
- Robert McMullen - Sandy Bay to Dover RSL
- John Nichols - Glenorchy Rodman to Derwent City
- Robert Smith - Kingborough to Nambour (Queensland)
- Gerald Tew - Glenorchy Rodman to Claremont

Carried

Match Committees:

Moved: Rob McGuire Seconded: Shirley Hay "that Conditions of Play Clause 4.6 (b) be changed to read as follows:

4.6 (b) Regular # Division 1 and 2 Women's Thursday Pennant players are ineligible to play in any positions in the Challenger League but can play anywhere in all higher Divisions.

The second Note under Clause 4.6 is to be deleted.

Carried

Discussion took place on requirements for Statewide Pennant at Buckingham on 19 October 2014. Buckingham will provide a Match manager for the day and the BTS Umpires Panel will appoint umpires.

Umpires:

As per the attached report.

Moved: Tony Fulton Seconded: Ross Bannister that the report be adopted and the recommendations contained within it be accepted.

Carried

It was agreed to write to BT advising it of our concerns and seek its urgent action to address them.

Coaches:

A Selectors Course is being held at Derwent City on 3 October 2014, however nothing has been heard from BT on this yet and manuals have not yet been sent out to participants as advertised.

General Business:Life Members

It was agreed that BTS would not collect affiliation fees from Club's for playing BTS Life Members.

Allocation of Greens for Statewide Pennant

It was agreed that all men's games will be played on the synthetic green and women's games will be played on the grass green no. 2 for Statewide Pennant at Buckingham on 19 October 2014.

Tony Kerrison undertook to conduct training for the Statewide Pennant Women's Squad on 8 October 2014 in Leonie Price's absence.

Opening Day

It was agreed to send an invitation to the Presidents of the STBA Men's and Women's Past President's and Official's Associations to our Opening Day.

Premier Division Awards Night

Concern was raised that David Genford was trying to organise a BTS Premier Division Awards Night. It was agreed that this was not supported by BTS.

RCC Meeting

Leigh McAdam reported on the recent RCC meeting that Tony Fulton and he had attended. Clearance fees will rise to \$10 intrastate and \$20 interstate from 1 October 2014. Bowls North do not have Delegates Meetings but have regular President's and Secretary's Meetings - should we do the same here?

“Come and Try Bowls Day”

Concern was raised at the lack of publicity being generated by BT on regard to this day which will be held on 19 October 2014. It was agreed that the Secretary would write to Clubs urging their support and would mention it in his weekly column in The Mercury.

RSL Bowls

It was agreed to ask BT if RSL Bowls fits under Bowls Australia as it is believed that not all their clothing has the BA logo on it.

Date of next meetings: The next Board meeting will be held on Monday 20 October 2014 at the Buckingham Bowls Club at 4.30pm.

Meeting closed at 6.25 pm.

Confirmed President: // 2014

BTS Umpires Panel Report to BTS – 22 September 2014

The 3 members of the Panel met at Derwent City Bowls Club last Monday, 15 September 2014.

Four issues were discussed and recommendations made on each as follows:

1. Reaccreditation training for umpires due before 31 December 2014 in light structural changes due to commence on 1 January 2015. BT EO advised that a modified reaccreditation course could be undertaken but those who qualified would be accepted as having a limited recognition for usual four year term. To be recognised fully under the new structure as Level 1 Umpires they would need to complete all modules in the new course.

BT EO recommended that any reaccreditations currently due be postponed until new course is available and the Umpires concerned will retain their current accreditation until such courses can be offered as soon as possible after 1 January. After considering all issues involved in organising a reaccreditation course prior to 31 December the Panel has decided to accept the BT EO's recommendation to delay reaccreditations at this time.

The BTS Umpires Panel will not be conducting training after 1 January as BA requires that accredited presenters/assessors undertake the training. BT will be overseeing all umpires training etc in future.

2. The need to hold an umpires Forum was discussed. As there are no Law changes for this season and the only issue is the new training structure it was decided that a forum was not necessary. The Umpires Panel will prepare a memo to be sent to all umpires and clubs explaining this decision and providing information about new umpire structure.
3. The Panel members reviewed the Side Captains Guide and suggested adjustments to be made to update the document. An amended draft version has been prepared and will be submitted to BTS Board for acceptance and subsequent issue to all clubs. The document when accepted will be included with the memo to Umpires as mentioned in point 2.
4. The Panel discussed its future directions and it recommends that it continue in a more limited role. The membership of 3 is seen as sufficient at this stage but may need to be reviewed in the future. The Panel will still be needed for reviewing questions on interpretation of laws, distribution of memos on umpiring matters, coordinating appointment of umpires for state events, liaison with BT EO re future accreditations etc.

Formal Panel meetings will be held at approximately every 10 weeks or more often if issues arise that may require a meeting. The three panel members will deal with routine matters through regular telephone and email contact

BTS Umpires Panel