

# Southern Tasmanian Bowls Association Inc.

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President: Peter Kirby Secretary: Rob McGuire



Minutes of the Board meeting held at the Buckingham Bowls Club on Monday 1 August 2016 commencing at 4.15pm.

**Present:** Peter Kirby (President), Shirley Hay (Deputy President), Ross Bannister, Ailsa Milburn, Malcolm Salier and Rob McGuire.

**Apologies:** Ken Copleman, Tony Fulton, Paula Hadley and Leonie Price.

### General Business:

#### Complaint under the Anti-Discrimination Act 1988 from Rod Pursell and the Saturday Pennant Action Group against BTS:

BTS has received correspondence from Equal Opportunity Tasmania advising that it has received a complaint from Rod Pursell and the Saturday Pennant Action Group claiming discrimination against male bowlers who only have one opportunity to compete in State Pennant Finals whereas women have the opportunity of competing in two State Pennant Finals.

The Equal Opportunity Office has requested a response from BTS by 11 August 2016. A meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday 30 August 2016 to try and resolve the complaint. BTS has been asked to send a representative to that meeting and that representative must have authority to resolve the complaint on the day.

It was agreed to respond to the Equal Opportunity Office based on an email from Peter Kirby dated 30 July 2016 as amended by the Board at this meeting. The Secretary undertook to draft a response to the Equal Opportunity Office and circulate it to Board members for approval out-of-session before 5 August 2016.

It was further agreed that responsibility for State Pennant Finals rests with Bowls Tasmania and BTS has no control over the number and format of State Pennant Finals run each year. Accordingly the BTS bottom-line position is to maintain the status quo.

It was also agreed that the President would represent BTS at the meeting on 2 June 2016.

Meeting closed at 5.00 pm.

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