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President: Peter Kirby Secretary: Rob McGuire



Minutes of the Board meeting held at the Buckingham Bowls Club on Monday 21 August 2017 commencing at 4.30

Present: Peter Kirby (President), Shirley Hay (Deputy President), Ross Bannister, Ken Copleman, Tony Fulton, Paula Hadley, Paul Hoddy and Rob McGuire.

Observers: Margaret Cornish (Bowls Tasmania Board Member).

Apology: Ailsa Milburn, Leonie Price and Malcolm Salier.

Minutes: Moved Shirley Hay Seconded Tony Fulton "that the minutes of the meeting held on 19 June 2017 be confirmed. Carried

Matters Arising:

BTS Uniform Register:

All Clubs have now submitted details of their uniforms and the BTS Uniform Register is complete and up-to-date.

Anti-Discrimination Hearing – Rod Pursell and Saturday Pennant Action Group:

Equal Opportunity Tasmania has amended the agreement as requested by the BTS Board and the amended agreement has been signed. This matter is now closed.

Bulk Discount on Club Insurances:

No further information has been received from BT on this matter.

Procedures for handling complaints:

The draft policy is almost complete and will be circulated to Board members ASAP so that it can be considered at the next Board meeting.

Friday Night Super Pairs:

The Secretary has not yet drafted the Conditions of Play for the 2017-18 Friday Night Super Pairs competition.

Changes to BT Constitution:

At the May 2017 Board meeting it was agreed that BTS approach the other two regions seeking their support to make further changes to the BT Constitution at a future time. The Secretary undertook to do this in September 2017.

Appeal from BTS to Bowls Tasmania re Bowls North and State Pennant Finals:

This matter was raised at the BT RCC meeting in May 2017. It was agreed to recommend to the BT Board that for future State Pennant Finals the home region will play the double header games on day two of the State Pennant Finals. Nothing further has been received from BT on this matter.

Timeline for Affiliation Fees 2017-18:

No response has yet been received from BT on BTS' recommendation that BT aim to set its affiliation fees by 28 February each year so that BTS and other regions can set their affiliation fees by 31 March each year.

Vacant Committee Positions 2017-18:

A number of expressions of interest have been received for these vacant committee positions.

Moved: Ross Bannister Seconded: Ken Copleman “that Tony Vince and Wayne Lampkin be appointed as Men’s Open Selectors for 2017-18”. Carried

It was resolved to appoint Ailsa Milburn as a Women’s Open Selector for 2017-18, Tom O’Brien and Ross Bannister as joint Coaches and Selectors of the Juniors for 2017-18, Margaret Cornish as the Manager of the Juniors for 2017-18, Tony Hine to the BTS Match Committee for 2017-18 and Graeme Morrisby as Chair of the BTS Green’s Advisory Committee for 2017-18.

It was agreed to seek further expressions of interest for vacant Match Committee, Southern teams’ selectors and managers and the Greens Advisory Committee positions.

DJ Motors Sponsorship 2017-18:

This has not yet been finalised. The Secretary undertook to contact DJ Motors as a matter of urgency.

Conditions of Play 2017-18:

Draft Conditions of Play for 2017-18 have been circulated to Clubs for comment with the only responses received being from Glenorchy City and Howrah. Both responses were concerned at the new Condition of Play 3.20 (a) (iv) which prohibits a player dropping to a lower Division after they have played twelve games in higher Divisions. This Condition was introduced in an attempt to restrict Clubs from dropping players to lower Divisions to strengthen their finals hopes or to save a lower Division from relegation. It was agreed that Club’s need to manage their players to avoid contravening this Condition which will remain as is. Glenorchy City also raised concerns regarding Condition of Play 30.20 (b) (i) regarding consecutive teams playing in corresponding finals. This Condition has been amended to clarify exactly what it means and will remain as is.

Moved: Rob McGuire Seconded: Tony Fulton “that Conditions of Play for 2017-18 be adopted”.

Amendment Moved: Ken Copleman Seconded: Shirley Hay “with the exception of Condition of Play 3.20 (b) (ii) which should be amended to remove the words “or in exceptional circumstances approved by the Chair of the BTS Match Committee.” Carried.

The amended motion was put and was carried.

Training Session for Club Treasurers:

Beltana’s Treasurer Deb Jeffrey has agreed to conduct a training session for interested Club Treasurer’s to discuss all the latest accounting and tax regulations. The meeting will also discuss audit changes, payment of honorariums and their tax implications etc. The Secretary undertook to contact Deb Jeffrey to arrange such a meeting in late September 2017.

Correspondence:

Inwards:

Tony Hine – Nomination BTS Match Committee – Refer to Matters Arising above.

Margaret Cornish – Expression of interest Southern Juniors Manager – Refer to Matters Arising above.

Ross Bannister – Expression of interest Southern Juniors Coach – Refer to Matters Arising above.

Wayne Lampkin – Expression of interest Southern Men’s Open Selector – Refer to Matters Arising above

Tony Hack – Application BTS Men’s Open Selector – Refer to Matters Arising above.

Ailsa Milburn – Expression of interest BTS Women’s Open Selector - – Refer to Matters Arising above.

Graeme Morrisby – Expression of interest BTS Greens Committee - – Refer to Matters Arising above.

Equal Opportunity Tasmania – EEO Complaint re Thursday State Pennant Finals – Refer to Matters Arising above.

Kingborough – Approval for new women and men’s top – Approved out-of-session.

Howrah – Accept promotion to Saturday Pennant Division 2 - Noted.

Buckingham – Concern re Women’s Pennant being held on 21 December 2017 - It was agreed to allow Clubs to play the game on Tuesday 19 December 2017 provided that both Clubs agreed to the change and BTS is advised accordingly.

Bowls Tasmania – Partnership with APIA – Noted.

Bowls Tasmania – Instantaneous Penalties - It was agreed to send this information to Clubs.

Royal Hobart – Change of uniform trousers to junior navy – Approved out-of-session.

Master Cast – Quote for pennant medallions, championship bars and small BTS badges - Accepted.

Claremont – Approval for new jacket to add to Club uniform – Approved provided that the jackets have been approved by Claremont’s Board. The new jacket is deemed not part of Claremont’s approved uniform and other jackets may be worn as an alternative.

Bowls Tasmania – RCC Meetings 2017-18 - Noted.

Bowls Tasmania – Grant Alert - Noted.

Deb Jeffrey – Training Session with Club Treasurers – Refer to Matters Arising above.

Buckingham – New uniform - Approved.

Malcolm Salier – New capitation fee for Clubs - Deferred until the next Board meeting when Malcolm will be in attendance.

Bowls Tasmania – Coaching and Officiating Courses 2017-18 - Noted.

Bowls Tasmania – French Holbrook Test Series and clash with Thursday Pennant – It was agreed to allow Round 8 Division 1 games to be played on 28 November 2017 if requested to do so by any Club with State French Holbrook representatives.

Bowls Tasmania – World Bowls Newsletter - Noted

Bowls Tasmania – Come and Try Day 2017 – It was agreed to hold an Ideas Meeting with any interested Clubs at Derwent City on Monday 11 September 2017 at 7.30pm.

Alex Stanelos – Application Men’s Open Selector - – Refer to Matters Arising above.

Glenorchy City – Response re Conditions of Play 2017-18 – Refer to Matters Arising above.

Tom O’Brien – Application Junior Coach 2017-18 - – Refer to Matters Arising above.

Bowls Australia – Bowls Connect Training - Noted

Royal Hobart – New uniform 2017-18 – Approved out-of-session.

Tony Vince – Application Men’s Open Selector 2017-18 - – Refer to Matters Arising above.

Kingborough – Draft Roster 2017-18 – The timing of the roster is dependent on Bowls Australia and Bowls Tasmania event scheduling and when Easter falls each year and it is not possible to start any later in 2017-18 without holding double-headers which the BTS Board does not want to do. Accordingly it was agreed to leave the roster as is.

Howrah – Comments on Conditions of Play 2017-18 – Refer to Matters Arising above.

Bowls Tasmania – Office Hours - Noted.

Kingborough – Expression of interest in hosting BTS’ 2017-18 Opening Day – It was agreed to hold the event at Kingborough on Monday 2 October 2017 if Kingborough is able to host it on that day.

Outwards:

All Clubs – Australian Masters Games 2017 and BTS Pennant, Reminder for information for BT Handbook, Board Minutes May 2017 meeting, Annual General Meeting May 2017 Minutes, Board Minutes June 2017 meeting, Draft Conditions of Play 2017-18, BTS Championships 2017-18 Entry Forms and 2017-18 Registration Forms and Fees

Bowls Tasmania – Bulk discount on Club insurances, Scheduling of games at State Pennant Finals, Timeline for affiliation fees 2018-19 and beyond, Information for BT Handbook 2017-18, Endorsement of Darren Monks as Southern BT Men’s Open Selector and Interstate pennant declaration Patricia Bolt

Equal Opportunity Tasmania – Rod Pursell and Saturday Pennant Action Group complaint.

Glenorchy City and Robin Wilkinson – Permission to use bowling arm.

Buckingham – Approval to remain in Saturday Pennant Division 3 in 2017-18.

Brighton – Refuse request to relocate Brighton pennant games to a neutral club if host club does not have facilities for wheelchair bowlers.

Deb Jeffery – Training session for Club Treasurers.

Moved: Ross Bannister Seconded: Paula Hadley “that the inwards correspondence be received and the outwards correspondence be endorsed”. Carried.

Reports:

Finance:

Treasurer Tony Fulton forwarded his report to Board Members prior to the meeting. Moved: Tony Fulton Seconded: Ross Bannister “that the Treasurer’s Report be accepted and that accounts paid be approved”. Carried

Clearances:

Moved: Ken Copleman Seconded: Tony Fulton “that the following interstate clearances be approved and the following other clearances be noted:

- Patricia Bolt – Interstate Pennant Declaration – Sorell to Southport (Queensland).
- Keith Butterworth – Howrah to Maroochydore (Queensland).
- Tracey Cameron – Dover RSL to Taroona.
- Paul Cruise – Helensvale (Queensland) to Glenorchy Rodman.
- Nick Ellis – Rosny Parl to Derwent City.
- Geoffrey Fraser – Claremont to Beltana.
- Nigel Fraser – Claremont to Beltana.
- Marie Gleeson – Brighton to North West Coast Tasmania.
- Ken Gore – Rosny Park to Howrah.
- Neale Hall – Claremont to Glenorchy City.
- Jean Hemmings – Sandy Bay to Kingborough.
- John Lahl – St John’s Park to Taroona.
- Kerry Nichols – Bruny to Solander Lake (Queensland).
- Carmel Rainbird – Sandy Bay to Kingborough.
- Anthony Rowe – Buckingham to Kingborough.
- Janis Smith – Brighton to Queensland.
- Tom Smith – Brighton to Queensland.
- Glenna Thompson – Sandy Bay to Kingborough
- Jillian Wilkie – Howrah to Cremorne”. Carried

Match Committee:

Entry forms for all BTS championships have been sent to Clubs and have been put on the BTS website and Facebook page.

Officiating Panel:

Nothing to report.

Coaches Panel:

The BTS Coaching Panel’s Winter Coaching Clinic will conclude at Howrah on Sunday 3 September 2017 from 12 noon – 3pm. There has been a good attendance at all clinics held during the winter.

Selectors:

Nothing to report.

General Business:

Bowls Connect Training:

Paul Hoddy has arranged for Kelvin Rodgers from Bowls Australia to conduct Bowls Connect training in Southern Tasmania covering competition (entry of pennant information into Bowls Connect), membership (membership database including clearances) and if time permits websites. There will be a session in the afternoon and a further session at night on Thursday 28 September 2017 – venue TBA.

Paul Hoddy suggested that Clubs do away with their facsimile machines. Results should be either entered directly into the Bowls Connect system or be scanned and emailed to the BTS Statistician. It was agreed to advise Clubs that BTS intends to abolish faxed results after the coming season.

Paul Hoddy advised that there is a lot of good information available for clubs on the Bowls Australia website – www.bowls.com.au/clubsupport. It was agreed to advise Clubs accordingly,

Discussion took place on clearance fees (most other states charge significantly more than we do in Tasmania and the cost of a clearance increases after the start of a season). It was agreed to raise this matter at the next Delegates Meeting.

BT State Junior Selector:

Ross Bannister advised that BT has advised him that he is no longer a BT Juniors Selector as he was unable to attend all BT Junior training sessions.

Date of next meetings: The next Board meeting will be held on Monday 18 September 2017 at 4.30pm at the Buckingham Bowls Club. Ken Copleman advised that he will be an apology for the meeting.

Meeting closed at 6.25 pm.

Confirmed President: // 2017