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President: Trevor Quilliam

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Minutes of the Board meeting held at 631 Main Road Berriedale commencing at 10.57am on Tuesday 24 July 2012.

Present: Ailsa Milburn (Deputy President - Chair), Grant Allford, Ross Bannister, Jan Booth, Neil Clark, Michael Eiszele, Tony Fulton, Bev Gillie, Rob McGuire and Suzi Rogers (in lieu of Trevor Govey),

Apologies: Trevor Quilliam (President), Shirley Hay and Trevor Govey.

Minutes: Moved: Tony Fulton Seconded: Ross Bannister that the minutes of the meeting held on 18 June 2012 be confirmed with the following addition:

Honorariums for 2012-12 should have included the following:

Coaching Panel Expenses	\$200.00	
Umpires Panel Expenses	\$1,000.00	Carried.

Matters arising:

Men's Match Committee:

It was resolved that John Anderson, Tony Davie, Tom Hine and Noel Sharp be appointed to the Men's Match Committee. (Neil Clark has already been appointed as Chairman of the Men's Match Committee.)

Women's Match Committee:

It was resolved that Bev Gillie (Chairperson), Jan Booth, Margaret Kirwan and Maureen Noor be appointed to the Women's Match Committee.

Statistician

Two applications were received for the BTS Statistician position – from John McKibben and Tony Riley (with both applications having conditions attached to them). The BTS Executive considered the applications and agreed to appoint John McKibben to the position. It was agreed that John's conditions of guaranteeing results on the internet by the day after play for all three competitions but that results for The Mercury would be forwarded to the Publicity Officer by 7.30am on the day after play were acceptable to the BTS Executive. It was also agreed to reimburse John the cost of installation of a fax line and line rental costs. It was further agreed that the Secretary is to let Clubs know of John's appointment.

Moved: Neil Clark Seconded: Jan Booth that the appointment of John McKibben as BTS Statistician and the conditions outlined above be approved. Carried.

Executive Assistant

No applications have been received for the Executive Assistant position.

Opening Day

It was agreed that the Opening Day will be held at the Derwent City Bowls Club on Monday 8 October 2012.

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BT Handbook

Entries for the BT Handbook had been submitted to Bowls Tasmania on 11 July 2012 although not all information was available at that date.

Honorary Legal Officer

The Secretary advised that Trevor Quilliam had advised that he had approached Danny Evans at Dobson Mitchell & Allport to determine if anyone at that firm would be prepared to act as the BTS Honorary Solicitor without success. On the suggestion of Danny, Trevor then approached the Law Society to request their assistance in locating a suitable person to act as the BTS Honorary Solicitor. No response has yet been received from the Law Society.

Member Protection Officer

Grant Alford advised that he was prepared to undertake the role of BTS Member Protection Officer for 2012-13. The Secretary has not yet been able to locate documentation on the role of this position.

Saturday Competition for Women

Three Clubs had indicated that they would enter a team in a Saturday competition for women if it proceeded. Eight Clubs had indicated an interest and five Clubs indicated no interest. No response was received from eleven Clubs. Due to the lack of interest it was agreed that the Saturday competition would not proceed at present, however, it was further agreed that this matter should be discussed at the Delegates Day meeting to determine possible interest in a short competition during the season.

Correspondence:

Inwards:

Rosny Park – Final Four for Midweek

Rosny Park has requested that a final fours system be introduced into Men's Midweek competition in 2012-13.

Moved: Tony Fulton Seconded: Michael Eiszele that a final four be introduced into Men's Midweek with finals matches to be played on the home green of the highest finishing team for all finals. Carrie

Rosny Park – Two teams in Women's Division One

Rosny Park has requested that it be permitted to retain two teams in Women's Division One competition for 2012-13. It was agreed to allow this but for the 2012-13 season only.

Sorell – Women's Club Clothing

Approval was given to the request from Sorell to change the colour of their women's slacks from bottle green to burgundy.

Sandy Bay – Women's Club Clothing

Approval was given to the request from Sandy Bay to change the colour of their women's slacks from bottle green to burgundy and to introduce a new shirt.

Outwards:

Rosny Park – approval to change Club clothing.
Royal Hobart – policy re change of Club clothing.
John McKibben – appointment as BTS Statistician.
Tony Riley – not successful re BTS Statistician.
Geeveston / Franklin- approving composite teams for 2012-13.
All Clubs – Southern Water rebates for water rates.

Moved: Bev Gillie Seconded: Neil Clark that the inwards correspondence be received and the outwards correspondence be endorsed. Carried.

Reports:

Finance:

Treasurer Tony Fulton presented his report. Moved: Tony Fulton Seconded Michael Eiszele that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. Carried.

Clearances:

The following clearances were noted:

- Kevin Chilcott – St John's park to Beltana
- Janet Cowan – Rosny Park to Sorell
- John Fyfe – Howrah to Beltana

Moved: Ross Bannister Seconded: Neil Clark that the following clearance be approved:

- Barbara Colwill – Rosny Park to North Haven NSW
 - Kaye Woods – Rosny Park to Tuggeranong Valley ACT
- Carried.

Match Committees:

Bev Gillie advised that the rosters for Women's Pennant had been prepared by 30 June 2012 to enable their inclusion in the BT Handbook. The rosters have been placed on the BTS website. Bev Gillie undertook to check the Women's Pennant rosters to ensure that the rosters reflect the correct home team green allocations for the Geeveston / Franklin composite teams.

Neil Clark advised that the rosters for Men's Saturday and Midweek Pennant had also been prepared by 30 June 2012 to enable their inclusion in the BT Handbook. The rosters have been placed on the BTS website and have resulted in several errors being located and corrected. Entry forms have also been prepared for BTS Men's Championships. Tony Fulton questioned why Men's Pennant had been scheduled on the same day that the Michael Hill Masters Triples are being played in Launceston. The Match Committee considered this and decided to schedule Men's Pennant on that due to the limited number of southern men that play in this event. Any affected Clubs can try and re-schedule their games if deemed necessary.

It was agreed that the Secretary should circulate rosters to Clubs.

Umpires:

Nothing to report.

Coaches:

Grant Allford advised that the State Men's Squad had been selected and that it had already had one training session.

Ross Bannister advised that the State Women's Squads had been selected had trained with the men. He also advised that a State Under 25 team will be competing at the Tasmanian / Victorian Tests in December 2012 – with nomination details being recently sent out to Clubs. Ross also advised that he had assisted with a Special Olympics had been held in Hobart on 5 July 2012 using indoor carpets. Another Special Olympics will be held in Hobart on 22 and 23 August 2012.

General Business:

Late Results:

Tony Riley raised the possibility of penalising Clubs with the loss of points and fines if they continually failed to fax their results to the Statistician after pennant games. Conditions of Play clause 3.20 already provides a penalty of six points for failing to notify results within the stated time unless an explanation is given to and accepted as satisfactory by the BTS Board, however, this was never applied in 2011-12. It was agreed that the Secretary should discuss this matter further with John McKibben and report back to the next Board meeting.

Patron:

Discussion took place on the appointment of a new patron to replace Jack Clarke who recently passed away. It was agreed that the Secretary should write to Doone Kennedy to ask if she would be prepared to be the Patron of BTS. (Doone was previously Patron of the STWBA.)

Additional Office Key:

Approval was given for the Secretary to approach Rod Marshall at the Glenorchy City Council to request an additional key to the BTS Office for Neil Clark.

Lindsay and Monica Lovell Sponsorship of Women's Special Fours:

The Secretary reported that this is the last year of the current sponsorship by Lindsay and Monica Lovell's sponsorship of the Women's Special Fours.

DJ Motors Sponsorship:

DJ Motors has written advising that, despite Mitsubishi Australia ceasing its sponsorship of Bowls Tasmania, DJ Motors support of and commitment to bowls in Southern Tasmania – to BTS and all its Clubs – remains as strong as ever. It was agreed that the Secretary and Treasurer should meet with Tania Hinden from DJ Motors to discuss ongoing sponsorship for the 2012-13 season. It was also agreed that the Secretary should advise Clubs of the ongoing sponsorship.

Conditions of Play:

Conditions of Play for the 2012-13 season are currently being updated by the Match Committees. It was agreed that opposite gender substitutes for Women's Pennant not be permitted in 2012-13, that Clubs be advised accordingly and that this matter be discussed at the Delegates Day meeting. The Match Committees were requested to consider introducing a new condition requiring Clubs to provide adequate notice to their opponents if their matches are being moved from a grass to a synthetic surface.

Forward Planning – Next Season:

It was agreed that forward planning for the next season should be on the agenda for future Board meetings. For example, should Women's Pennant in 2013-14 be restricted to eight teams per Division? It was agreed that this matter should be discussed at the Delegates day meeting.

Policy on Transfers:

The Secretary advised that Bowls Tasmania had recently developed a policy on transfers and he would like to formulate a policy for BTS. Discussion took place on the legality of not approving transfers if monies were outstanding to a Club and it was agreed that this was a matter between the Club and the player and should not stop a transfer. Bowls Australia has a policy and this should be looked at. It was agreed that the Secretary should develop a draft policy for BTS for consideration at the next Board meeting.

Women's Development State Wide Pennant:

Ross Bannister wrote to BT on 22 June 2012 expressing his concerns at the make-up of Women's Development State Wide Pennant teams for 2012-13. BT circulated Ross' comments to NTBA and NWBA for comment but did not ask for BTS comments. The views expressed by Ross were his own as the BTS Development Squad coach and were not necessarily the views of BTS. As BT has already ratified its earlier decision it was too late to provide comments back to BT.

Dispensation to wear heeled bowls shoes:

Clarification was sought from the Beltana Club on whether Josh Tegg had approval to wear bowls shoes with a pronounced heel that is separate from the soles. This matter was raised last year and verbal approval was given to Josh to wear the shoes. Approval was given to for Josh Tegg to continue to wear the shoes provided that he has a medical certificate authorising such use and that he carries a copy of the medical certificate with him to show if requested to do so.

Meeting closed at 12.40 p.m.

Date of next meeting: Will be held on Monday 13 August 2012 at 4.30 p.m. – and thereafter on the second Monday of the month at 4.30 p.m. (Michael Eiszele advised that he will be an apology for the August 2012 meeting.)

Confirmed Chairman // 2012