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President: *Peter Kirby* Secretary: *Rob McGuire*



Minutes of the Board meeting held at the Buckingham Bowls Club on Monday 20 August 2018 commencing at 4.18pm

Present: Peter Kirby (President), Pat Zapotocky (Vice President), Paula Hadley, Malcolm Salier and Rob McGuire.

Observers: Nil.

Apologies: Ross Bannister, Ken Copleman, Tony Fulton, Ailsa Milburn and Leonie Price (BTS Board) and Liz Rickards (Bowls Tasmania Director).

Quorum: A quorum was not present at the meeting. It was agreed to proceed with the meeting with all decisions made to be ratified at the next BTS Board meeting.

Minutes: Moved: Malcolm Salier: Seconded: Paula Hadley “that the minutes of the meeting held on 16 July 2018 be confirmed.” Carried

Matters Arising:

Sponsorship 2017-18 and beyond

At the meeting in June 2018 it was agreed that this matter should remain on the agendas for future Board meetings. No further action was taken in regard to this matter at this meeting.

Inspection of Glenorchy RSL Green

The BTS 2017-18 Greens Advisory Committee’s Ryan Guy had undertaken to have a look at the Glenorchy RSL green and give the Club advice if needed. This was never done and currently there is no membership of BTS Greens Advisory Committee. It was agreed to advise Glenorchy RSL accordingly.

Ken Copleman – Beltana and Member Protection Policy

Ken Copleman has requested BTS to refer his complaint to Bowls Tasmania with a request to initiate the Bowls Australia Member Protection policy on his behalf. This has been done and Bowls Tasmania has advised that it has referred the matter to its Governance Committee but is waiting until Ken returns from interstate at the end of August 2018 before anything further is done.

Appointment of BTS Member Protection Information Officer

At the March 2018 Board meeting it was agreed that BTS needs to appoint its own Member Protection Information Officer. Glenorchy City’s Leigh McAdam has advised that he is interested in taking on this role. It was agreed to appoint Leigh McAdam accordingly.

Bowls Tasmania Handbooks 2018-19

Bowls Tasmania has advised that it will be producing three separate Handbooks in 2018-19 – one for each region with each containing a Bowls Tasmania section.

Statewide Conditions of Play 2018-19

At the Bowls Tasmania Annual General Meeting it was agreed to try to come up with one standard Conditions of Play for Saturday Pennant. To assist with this, President Sue Ross and the BT CEO undertook to develop a draft Conditions of Play based on the current Condition of Play’s in existence to determine the rules that are already the same v’s the rules that differ. Once this is complete the next meeting will be conducted as an online meeting. No further advice has been received from Bowls Tasmania on this matter. It was agreed to advise Bowls Tasmania that it is too late to introduce Statewide Conditions of Play for 2018-19.

Expressions of interest - Southern Selection Committees, Coaches and Managers, Greens Advisory Committee, Vice President:

Further expressions of interest in the above vacancies have been called for with expressions of interest closing on 14 September 2018.

Review of BTS Strategic Plan

The Secretary has sent out a copy of the existing Strategic Plan to Board members. This matter is to be considered by the BTS Board at a future Board meeting.

Replacement for SportsTG Database

Paul Hoddy has advised that the current contract/system will be run through to March 2019, with the new system looking to be developed over the next eight months or so. Bowls Australia has advised that new websites will be rolled out in September 2018. Paul Hoddy has further advised that Bowls Australia will come to Hobart for training on Monday 24 September 2018 with sessions for Competition Management in the morning and evening and Website Training in the afternoon. It was agreed to query the value of having training in the new Competition Management system if the old system will be used for the coming season.

Southern MPIO Workshop

At the July 2018 Board meeting, it was agreed to write to Communities, Sport & Recreation Tasmania requesting it to conduct an MPIO workshop in Southern Tasmania in the near future. Communities, Sport & Recreation Tasmania has advised that it does not have another workshop planned in Hobart until early in 2019, however, MPIO workshops will be held in the north and the north-west on 23 and 24 October 2018.

Equal Opportunity Tasmania and change of Conditions of Play Agreement with Sandy Bay

At the July 2018 Board meeting, it was agreed to approach Equal Opportunity Tasmania (EOT) with support from Sandy Bay and Cremorne to change the June 2016 EOT agreement with Sandy Bay such that Conditions of Play 4.5 be changed to "Clubs shall ensure that all players in all divisions are selected in positions based on their ability and merit. Blatant abuse of such selections may result in penalties being imposed in accordance with Conditions of Play 1.12.". Secretary Rob McGuire and Sandy Bay Vice-President Alex Stanelos attended a meeting on 3 August 2018 convened by EOT to discuss this matter. It would appear that EOT will agree to the request from BTS to change our original agreement with Sandy Bay to what was agreed to at the July 2018 meeting. It is hoped that a new agreement between BTS and Sandy Bay will be signed before the middle of September 2018 in time for inclusion in the coming season's Conditions of Play.

Josh Mabb re Southern Junior Selector

At the July 2018 Board meeting, it was agreed that the Secretary should contact Josh Mabb to see if he is interested in becoming a Junior Selector. No response has been received from Josh Mabb.

Correspondence:

Inwards:

Cremorne – Copy of email to Equal Opportunity Tasmania - Noted.

Sandy Bay – Email of support for BTS approach to Equal Opportunity Tasmania - Noted.

Tascare Society for Children – Invitation to celebrate International Day of People with Disability 2018 - Noted.

Bowls Tasmania – Try Bowls Day 7 October 2018 - Noted.

Bowls Tasmania – High Performance Positions Vacant - Noted.

Equal Opportunity Tasmania – Meeting 3 August 2018 to discuss request to amend agreement with Sandy Bay –Refer Matters Arising above.

Bowls Tasmania – Deadline for BTAS Handbook 31 August 2018 - Noted

Bowls Tasmania – Does BTS still want a printed version of Handbook – Confirmed that BTS will still have a printed version of Handbook if it is produced.

Howrah – Midweek Pennant submission – Considered by BTS Conditions of Play Committee and refused.

Communities, Sport & Recreation Tasmania – MPIO Workshops – Refer Matters Arising above.

Lee Schraner – Clashes with BTS Calendar – Clashes with SWC Round 1 and BTS Fours will be referred to Bowls Tasmania for advice. If players are in both the Tasmanian side for Tasmania v's ACT Test Series and the BTS Pairs finals then the latter will be delayed.

Bowls Tasmania – New Bowls Link set-up and training – It was agreed out-of-session that BTS wants training sessions conducted in the new Bowls Link competition management and website areas and would prefer such training to happen in late September 2018.

Bowls Tasmania – Copy of correspondence to Rod Cooper – Noted - the BTS Board appreciated the support from Bowls Tasmania on this matter.

Paul Hoddy – Draft media release re new Bowls link set-up – Noted.

Bowls Tasmania – Coaching and Officiating Courses 2018-19 - Noted.

Paul Hoddy – Media release and other information re new Bowls Link set-up - Noted.

Leigh McAdam – Expression of interest MPIO role – Refer Matters Arising above.

Tom O'Brien – Expression of interest Southern Junior Coach and Selector – It was agreed to appoint Tom O'Brien as Southern Juniors Coach and Selector.

Bowls Tasmania – List of participating Clubs in Try Bowls Day 2018 and extension of registrations until 15 August 2018 – Noted – The Secretary wrote to Clubs expressing his disappointment that just five of BTS' twenty-eight clubs have agreed to participate in the Try Bowls Day 2018 and urging them to consider participating. Bowls Tasmania and the three regions have spent a considerable sum of money and Bowls Tasmania has obtained a significant sponsorship deal with WIN Television which has enabled a substantial amount of television advertising to promote the Try Bowls Day. Clubs complain about a lack of members yet will not take advantage of this opportunity to try and get some new members.

Paul Hoddy – Bowls Link training Hobart 24 September 2018 – Refer Matters Arising above.

Geeveston – Suggestion for reduction in Capitation Fee for first year bowlers and suggested changes to Conditions of Play - Any reduction in BTS Capitation Fees for first-year players would be offset by an increase in the overall Capitation Fee so it was agreed to refuse Geeveston's request. Changes to Conditions of Play for 2018-19 were considered by BTS Conditions of Play Committee and in the main were refused.

Bowls Tasmania – Notice of RCC meeting 17 September 2018 - Noted.

Bowls Tasmania – Bowls Link IT training 24 September 2018 – Refer to Matters Arising above.

Bowls Tasmania – Try Bowls Day 2018 Update - Noted.

Joan Middleton – Thank you card – Noted.

Dover RSL – Request letter of support for synthetic green – Agreed.

Bill Eather – Permission to use a bowling arm – Moved: Paula Hadley Seconded: Pat Zapotocky “to approve as requested”.
Carried

Glenorchy City – Request to promote its Saturday Division 6 team to Division 5 if there is a vacancy – Promotion will be in accordance with Conditions of Play in first instance – referred to BTS Match Committee.

Glenorchy City – Permission for Will Briggs to use a bowling arm - Moved: Paula Hadley Seconded: Pat Zapotocky “to approve as requested”.
Carried

Glenorchy City has advised that it is addressing the matter of dumping of bowls by individual bowlers by encouraging them to use bowling arms. It was agreed to congratulate Glenorchy City on its actions.

Outwards:

All Clubs – Board Meeting Minutes July 2018, Reminder re information for Bowls Tasmania Handbook, Expressions of Interest - BTS Greens Advisory Committee, Expressions of Interest - BTS Southern Team Selectors, Coach and Managers, Try Bowls Day 2018.

Bowls Tasmania – Come and Try Day 2018, Interstate Pennant Declaration Taelyn Male., Statewide Conditions of Play.

Kingborough – Decline to appoint independent scrutineer for Midweek Pennant poll.

Margaret Cornish – Appointment as Southern Juniors Manager for 2017-18.

Communities, Sport & Recreation Tasmania – Request to conduct an MPIO course in Southern Tasmania in the near future.

Simon Morrison – Stay Chatty Statewide Awareness Round.

Glenorchy City and Ray Reibel – Permission for Ray Reibel to use a bowling arm.

Equal Opportunity Tasmania and Sandy Bay – Seeking permission to change June 2016 EOT agreement to Conditions of Play.

Cremorne – Refuse request to change Conditions of Play but seek its support for a change to the EOT agreement.

Rod Cooper – Correspondence referred to Kingborough for its consideration and notice that continuing criticism of the BTS Board will not be tolerated.

Kingborough – Copy of Rod Cooper’s emails for its consideration in accordance with the BTS Communications Protocol.

Moved: Pat Zapotocky Seconded: Malcolm Salier “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: Rob McGuire Seconded: Paul Hadley “that the Treasurer’s Report be accepted and that accounts paid be approved”. Carried

Clearances:

Moved: Paula Hadley Seconded: Pat Zapotocky “that the following interstate clearances be approved and the intrastate clearances be noted:

- Graeme Allen – Rosny Park to Howrah
- Tony Bennett – Rosny Park to Howrah
- Casey Cornish – St John’s Park to Buckingham
- Damien Fitzpatrick – Glenroy (Victoria) to Kingborough.
- Adrian French – Beltana to Buckingham
- Brian Gregory – North Hobart to Sandy Bay
- Dianne Jones – New Norfolk to Buckingham
- Fred Kosi – Kingborough to North Hobart
- Taelyn Male – Interstate Pennant Declaration Kingborough to Essendon (Vic.)
- Wayne Napier – Sandy Bay to Royal Hobart
- Wayne Pidgeon – Rosny Park to Howrah
- Lee Schraner – Ashfield (NSW) to Rosny Park
- Carole Smith – Claremont to Open.
- Diana Sweeney – Dural Country Club (NSW) to Claremont
- Christine Thompson – New Norfolk to Buckingham

- Josh Tyrrel – Ulverstone to Beltana.”

Carried

March Committee:

No report received.

Officiating Panel:

No report received.

Coaches Panel:

No report received.

Selectors:

No report received.

General Business:

Next Delegates Meeting:

It was agreed that the next Delegates Meeting will be held at the Brighton Bowls Club at 1pm on Wednesday 26 September 2018 – to enable Brighton to showcase its renovated clubrooms - subject to confirmation from Brighton.

Opening Day:

It was agreed to call for expressions of interest from Clubs interested in hosting the 2018 Opening Day be held on Monday 15 October 2018.

Conditions of Play 2018-19:

The BTS Conditions of Play Committee has prepared draft Conditions of Play for 2018-19. It was agreed to send them to Board Members for approval out-of-session to enable them to be sent to Clubs for comment by 31 August 2018

Date of next meeting: The next Board meeting will be held on Tuesday 18 September 2018 at 4.00pm at the Buckingham Bowls Club. Malcolm Salier advised that he will be an apology for the meeting.

Meeting closed at 5.25 pm.

Confirmed President: // 2018