



Minutes for meeting 19 October 2020

PRESENT: Karen Cowley; Tony Gilbert; Megan Eddy; Bridget Willcox; Alison Saville; Mike Callahan; Dave Halliday

APOLOGIES: Jane O'Brien; Julian Herbert

PREVIOUS MINUTES: of 21 September 2020 meeting as circulated.
Approved as a true and accurate record - Alison/Megan

MATTERS ARISING -

Annual Examination – Diane Pye has agreed to do this and have it ready for the AGM
Roof leak – ongoing. Advise Julian if unable to fix during the holidays we will find someone else to do it.

Carpark security update - Waiting on Julian to report on possible fencing "findings". Someone will need to take ownership of this project on the next Committee as Alison is retiring. Karen thanked Alison for her time, effort and hard work on what she has undertaken to date. The NCC Covid Funding has⁹ time limit. If we decide to go ahead we must get our application in as soon as possible. Mile agreed to start the process.

Members Book 2021 – Linda is working on this. Lessons will be held February – April.

Thursday night – numbers – keep an eye on things. ?Julian & Henny ring around

Broken windows in the paraplegic loo and ladies- now fixed

Correspondence

In:

Invoices: NZB membership levy \$448 (Oct-Dec) ; Contact \$148; Clark Pdts \$87.18; Kent Glassman \$210; PaknSave \$517; Star Fish \$76; Spark \$80

Lessons: enquiry from website from Kevin Patterson; check-in from Simon Law – forwarded to Dave

Misc: Companies Office confirming receipt and acceptance of our alteration to Constitution; Martin Oyston re Director Training weekend; Rachael Knight offer to purchase bidding boxes; George Masters and Heather Bowmer thanking Karen for her work as President; various tourney flyers

NZB: AGM minutes and annual report; Richard Solomon info on NZ Wide Pairs (forwarded to Francey); notification of Director's exams; info on supplementary tournaments

Carpark security plan: Fund links from Debra Stewart; BasketballHB – concentrating their security \$ at rear of their premises but offering support for any funding application

Nil for : Computer & Software; Membership; ECCDBC & CD; Sponsors; Suppliers
Dunstall's confirming they do wish to do that (\$150+GST).

Out:

Misc: Advice to Companies Office of rule change to Constitution following Special Meeting; response to Rachael Knight – to be discussed at Oct meeting
Enquiry to Dunstall's and Barclay Winter whether they wish to have an ad in the 2021 members book again.

Inward/outward approved: Megan/Mike

FINANCE:

Copies of financial report circulated. Approved: Dave/Karen
Mike also spoke re signatories in light of Karen leaving – can work with 3.
Mike has ordered Brother Computer Food – toner.
Insurance – they are requesting a valuation on the building. ?ask Wayne
Mike will check need for public liability

MEMBERSHIP:

Trevor Gane has resigned – moving to Masterton
Rob Armstrong, Trish Patterson & Julie Haslett have also resigned.

ALMONER: Continuing good work.

FUNDRAISING & GRANTS: Update

SPONSORSHIP: Update from Alison/Jane. Need to follow up some sponsors

MAINTENANCE:

TOURNAMENTS:

Set a date for Alister Buchanan tournament – hold over to discuss with Jane

LESSONS/BEGINNERS/RETENTION: Discuss at the November meeting but will be held from February – April 2021

WEBSITE/SOFTWARE:

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- PA Sponsorship – this needs to be applied for now on an annual basis. If we decide to implement bidding boxes can we put their name on them or maybe they could sponsor a Tournament.
- Rachel Knight's donation of bidding boxes – this was discussed at length and Karen advocated that it would definitely cut down on recycling and other costs. We would need 4 bidding boxes per table – say 20 tables x 4 sets and 3 sets of replacement cards – best quality. Alison will write to Rachel to thank her for her kind gesture; that we would source in discussion with her. Megan offered to check on-line for costings etc.

- NZ Wide Pairs – 30 October 2020 discussion re cost – minimum of \$12 to cover costs. Bar could open before and after. Jane and Francey to discuss. Needs to be advertised.
- AGM – 23rd November 2020 at 5.30pm. Needs to be advertised 10 days before. Alison will advise members via Pianola. Re prize giving – no points prizes due to Covid – just Championship awards.
- 2021 lesson dates – February – April 2021
- Dealers – Arthur has resigned. Karen will do the dealing for the rest of the sessions for the year before she leaves. Henny will finish Mondays for the year and has agreed to continue next year on a Friday afternoon as others are here. Karen will teach her the new system next Monday. Mike has also agreed to help. Next year's dealers will be Linda Kirby, Maggie Walsh, Marie Bymolt, Henny French and Mike who will organise.
- Committee Drive – need to find new blood as 4 members are resigning. Alison checked the Constitution – need a minimum of 9 including President, Vice President & Treasurer.
- Recycling – Alison will write to NCC re our bin as we haven't received one yet and they won't collect rubbish bags now. Someone will need to put out on a Monday and being in on a Tuesday.

As Karen is returning to the UK next week the Committee thanked her for all her efforts over the past year and she in turn thanked the Committee members for their support.

Jane O'Brien Acting President

Meeting closed: 6.30pm Next meeting 16th November 2020