

**NEW SOUTH WALES BRIDGE ASSOCIATION - COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MONDAY JANUARY 10, 2005**

Present: Alex Yezerski, Mike Hughes, Kim Morrison, Simon Stancu (FABC), Peter Gill, Ben Chosid, Julian Foster, Elizabeth Fanos, Ken Storr (FABC), Ross Stuart

Apologies: Nil

Matt Blackham (FABC) was present as an observer

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**1 Opening**

Alex Yezerski opened the meeting at 6.00pm.

**2 Confirmation of Minutes**

Motion: That the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2004 be confirmed.

Moved: Julian Foster

Seconded: Kim Morrison

The motion was carried.

**3 Matters arising from the Minutes**

**LIST OF ACTION ITEMS FROM DECEMBER COUNCIL MEETING**

<b>Councillor</b>	<b>Action Item</b>	<b>Current Status</b>
Alex Yezerski	To talk to David Watford re extending his contract into January	Done
Peter Gill	To distribute fliers for Monday night at Congress events	WIP
Alex Yezerski	To speak to Judi Wright regarding Masterpoint Secretary position	Waiting for information from Judi which David Weston will then use to determine whether he will take on role
Julian Foster	To Distribute tournament spreadsheet	Ben Chosid, Alex Yezerski, Ross Stuart did not receive.

## LIST OF ACTION ITEMS FROM JANUARY COUNCIL MEETING

Councillor	Action Item
Julian Foster	Arrange for David Watford to send ecatsbridge email to NSW bridge clubs for Tsunami relief fund. Speak to Tuesday director about holding Simultaneous pairs event on Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> Jan.
Peter Gill	To investigate table numbers and their decline on Thursdays
Peter Gill	To Talk to Mary Ann Brifman regarding getting the data base which she compiled of prospective sponsors
Peter Gill	To promote the ANC to Youth entrants who will be attending the World Olympiad
Liz Fanos	To send off form for Bridge for Brains Research
Simon Stancu & Ken Storr	Supply email addresses
Ben Chosid	Advise the committee at next meeting the House requirements (budget etc) for the coming year.
Ben Chosid	Get quote for putting a hand rail in one cubicle in the ladies toilet
Liz Fanos & Alex Yezersk	Set up interview times for Office manager applicants.

### 4 Special Business

#### a. Review the role and charter of the NSWBA

The history and future role of the NSWBA were discussed and the following motion was carried.

Motion: *A sub committee will be set up to examine the future role of NSWBA and FABC and put forward a plan for Council to review.*

The Sub committee will comprise of Alex Yezerski, Peter Gill, Simon Stancu and Mike Hughes.

Moved: Alex Yezerski

Seconded: Simon Stancu

The motion was passed.

## b. Tsunami appeal events

Action Item: That the email from ecatsbridge forwarded from ABF regarding raising money for the relief Fund by holding a Simultaneous Pairs from 17-21 Jan event be sent to all NSW clubs to participate in or not as they see fit.

Julian Foster to talk to George Segal regarding NSWBA holding the event on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>.

## c. Council meeting dates for 2005.

Will be held Fridays until March and then possibly changing to Wednesdays.

## **5 Correspondence**

The Secretary's Report was tabled and discussed.

## **6 Chairman's Report**

The Chairman's report not tabled.

## **7 Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's report was not tabled. Discussion held regarding table numbers and their decline on Thursdays

Action: *Peter Gill* to investigate.

## **8 Committee Reports**

There were no Committee reports tabled. The following were discussed.

### House Report -

- There will be a Working Bee on Sat 5<sup>th</sup> Feb.

### FABC –

- Now have a full committee with Simon Stancu as Secretary & Ken Storr as Treasurer.
- As noted previously, FABC has dropped the running of the Metropolitan Teams selection but will continue to run the Country Team Open selection event. There needs to be an examination of the rules and regulations which has caused dissatisfaction and a consequent drop in numbers entering these events. The cost to the country clubs of sending qualifying teams seems to have contributed to the decline in participants.

- Val Cummings has indicated that she will convene the Pairs events.

#### Tournament –

- ANC the decision as to the venue where the event will be held will be finalised next month.
- Need to start getting involvement & support of NSW clubs to promote the event.
- Need to update regulations within the next 2-3 months
- Ken Storr to be included on Tournament committee

#### Youth:

- Youth games will start up again at the NSWBA on Thursday evenings.

#### Directors Liaison

- Charles Klasson taking extended holiday in May. Need to find replacement.
- Determine availability of other directors during the year.

### **9 General Business**

#### a. Publication of council minutes on the website

The Minutes will be published on the NSWBA website once they have been accepted at the following month's meeting, edited when it deemed necessary. A copy will also be posted on the notice board.

#### b. Promotion of bridge lessons – (SMH education lift out)

An ad will be placed in the SMH education supplement in January to promote bridge lessons. WEA is currently running ad for Tina's beginner's lessons which start in February.

#### c. Directors Indemnity

Ben Chosid to enquiry as to how much it would cost to increase indemnity to \$5M

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### **10 Next meeting**

Scheduled for Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2005 @ 6.00pm

The meeting was declared closed at 8.30pm.