

NEW SOUTH WALES BRIDGE ASSOCIATION - COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, 18 MAY 2005

Present: Alex Yezerski, Mike Hughes Kim Morrison, Elizabeth Fanos,
Ken Storr, Ben Chosid, Ross Stuart, Peter Gill

Apologies: Julian Foster

1 Opening

Alex Yezerski opened the meeting at 6.00pm.

2 Confirmation of Minutes of 20 April 2004

Motion: *That the minutes of the meeting held on 20th April 2005 be confirmed.*

Moved: Alex Yezerski

Seconded: Kim Morrison

The motion was carried.

3 Matters arising from the Minutes

LIST OF ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

Councillor	Action Item	Current Status
Ben Chosid	Advise the committee at next meeting the House requirements (budget etc) for the coming year.	Julian Foster to undertake
Ben Chosid	Get quote for upgrading NSWBA Ltd Directors indemnity	Alex Yezerski getting quotes from AON & IBA
Julian Foster	Investigate feasibility of posting library catalogue on web site	Alex Yezerski has provided Pauline Gumby with an Access database listing our books and magazines. It will need to be brought up to date by the librarian before being posted on the web site.
Liz Fanos	To follow-up the ABF re our 25 October 2004 request to roll over the loan	Done. ABF have been sent a copy of the loan documentation to enable them to extend the loan.
Liz Fanos	Reply to Ballina & Goulburn B/Cs re fees	No further action required
Ross Stuart	Monitor Friday night youth bridge	Games discontinued indefinitely as Leigh Gold unable to supervise

4 Special Business

None

5 Correspondence

The Secretary's Report was tabled and discussed. See Action Items at the bottom of these Minutes for details.

6 Chairman's Report

The Chairman's report was tabled. In summary:

- The appropriateness of NSWBA's insurance cover is under review
- The ABF has agreed to relieve us of all the travel and accommodation costs associated with using their Tournament Unit at this year's ANC
- The ABF has agreed in principal to license the Spring Nationals to the NSWBA
- Two new computers have been purchased. We now have three WinXP machines networked and connected to the Internet via an ADSL link
- The women's toilet has been re-tiled.

7 Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report Tabled. In summary:

- Year-to-date table monies and (especially) entry fees are down by nearly \$10K
- Membership fees are down slightly
- QuickBooks training has been conducted for the office staff

8 Committee Reports

Only Rules & Ethics, and Tournament Committee reports were tabled.

FABC

- Ken Storr will not be able to attend NSWBA meetings until 1 September. Would like to continue to receive Minutes.

Promotion and services

- Nothing to report. Peter Gill fully engaged in World Youth Bridge organising

House

- Emma is catering for lunch & snacks Mixed Pairs on Sunday May 29.
- Teams of Three –will be catered for with platters for each table

Rules and Ethics, Teaching, and Director Liaison

- Five R&E matters have been dealt with in the past month

- Propose to form an R&E sub-committee to hear matters that do not need to go to Council
- Tina is running a small number of supervised tables
- Ted Chadwick has taken over Friday daytime and John Pike has Thursday evening and Saturday afternoon.

Juniors

- No progress, Ross Stuart has only just returned from overseas.

Tournament

- Table numbers are down 12%
- Several complaints have been received re the format of the ITS events, the structure to be reviewed before next year.
- Decision required on which of our regular events will be cancelled while the ANC is on

Motion: *That the following three pairs:
Sartaj Hans/Tony Nunn
Paul Lavings/Chris Sundstrom
Pauline Gumby/Warren Lazer
comprise the NSW Open Team.*

Moved: Mike Hughes

Seconded: Ben Chosid

The motion was carried.

9 General Business

a. Services provided to affiliated clubs

It was agreed that these should be spelled out and posted on our web site.

b. ANC Update

Ross Stuart is to act as the Council's liaison person on the ANC committee while Julian Foster is overseas.

c. World Youth Championship

Tina Zines workshop on Sunday, August 7th, will need to be cancelled/re-scheduled because it clashes with the opening ceremony of the Championship.

10 Next meeting

Scheduled for 15 June 2005 @ 6.00pm. The meeting was declared closed at 7:15 pm

LIST OF ACTION ITEMS FROM 20 APRIL-2005 COUNCIL MEETING

Councillor	Action Item	Resolution
Ken Storr	To provide details to David Watford about becoming a NSBWA director	Done
Liz Fanos	Write to Val re Dick's Books	Done
Julian Foster	Organise training for account system	Done
Kim Morrison	To organise restart supervised lessons	Done
Ben Chosid	Organise for boards to be tidied up	Outstanding

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Councillor	Action Item
Liz Fanos	Write to Kings & Queens re Interclub teams. NSWBA will advertise on notice board & web site for interested members but will not directly organise teams.
Liz Fanos	Does the ABF cover volunteer workers eg people rearranging furniture under their Public Liability
Alex Yezerski	To follow up with KCM re why we have Public Liability Insurance given that we are covered under the ABF umbrella policy
Mike Hughes	To follow up with Eric Ramshaw that the ABF has paid for use of the premises for Open & Women's Playoffs
Alex Yezerski	Solicit contributions from Councillors to help compile a list of services provided to affiliated clubs
Ross Stuart	Confirm that ANC have a viable dealing plan