

NEW SOUTH WALES BRIDGE ASSOCIATION - COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, 10 AUGUST 2005

Present: Alex Yezerski, Mike Hughes, Kim Morrison, Julian Foster,
Ben Chosid,
In Attendance Elizabeth Fanos
Apologies: Ken Storr, Ross Stuart, Peter Gill, Matt Blackham

1 Opening

Alex Yezerski opened the meeting at 6.15pm.

2 Confirmation of Minutes of 13 July 2004

Motion: *That the minutes of the meeting held on 13 July 2005 be confirmed.*

Moved: Julian Foster

Seconded: Ben Chosid

The motion was carried.

3 Matters arising from the Minutes

LIST OF ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

Councillor	Action Item	Current Status
Julian Foster	Investigate feasibility of posting library catalogue on web site	Arthur Ramer to be asked to bring the catalogue up to date so that it can be posted on the web site.

4 Special Business

No Special Business

5 Correspondence

The Secretary's Report was tabled and 2 items discussed.

- Dept of Ageing, Disability & Home Care. Applications now open for 2006 NSW Seniors Week (2-9 April) Grants program; due 23 Sept 2005. Decided to apply for Grant. Liz Fanos to follow up.
- Advise FABC that Alex Yezerski will be attending AGM on Sept 16th

6 Chairman's Report

The Chairman's report was tabled. In summary:

Smoking Room

- The Smoking Room has been permanently closed and the NSWBA premises declare a non-smoking area.

Technology Refresh

- The new telephone switchboard and answering machine went in without a hitch, as did the new public address system
- Minor adjustments need to be made to the computer setup to accommodate the new office structure where the office manager and office assistant need to access files concurrently.

Feedback

- The feedback from the ABF in regard to the ANC has been most complimentary

7 Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report Tabled. In summary:

- There is no P&L or balance sheet attached this month.
- An ongoing concern however is that the table numbers this year are down significantly.
- On the good news front, it appears that the lift upgrade will not increase strata levies (in fact, from what we have been told, they could down slightly). It just means the current high level will continue for longer!

8 Committee Reports

Juniors

- Youth triathlon was held at the association on the weekend of the 5-7th August.
- Eight tables, teams won by Norway against some decent Aussie teams.

FABC

- No Report

Promotion and services

- No report.

House

- No Report.

Rules & Ethics

- No report.

Teaching

- No report

Tournament

- If we are to send a team to the Commonwealth Games then it should be selected via a Butler Pairs on the weekend of December 10 – 11. This will replace the Christmas Teams. Accepted by Council (see general business).
- Work in progress :
 - a) Tournament Regs
 - b) Event checklist
 - c) 2006 ITS Rules & Regs
 - d) 2006 Events Calendar

9 General Business

- Suitable gift thank you for Michael Phillips for help with QuickBooks set up. Resolved that he receive free entry to Sydney Festival.
- Decision regarding NSWBA representation at C'wealth Games March 2006

Motion: *That NSWBA holds an event to send a NSW team to the Melbourne Commonwealth Games event in March 2006.*

Proposed: Alex Yezerski

Seconded: Ben Chosid

The motion was carried.

This will be on the weekend of 10-11 December, replacing the scheduled Christmas teams.

- ANC financial results still being collated.
- GNOT arrangements. Saturday duplicate to be cancelled. Sunday duplicate to proceed as usual.

10 Next meeting

Scheduled for 14 September 2005 @ 6.00pm. The meeting was declared closed at 8pm.

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Councillor	Action Item	Resolution
Peter Gill	Check whether board from Youth will come back with cards	Outstanding
Matt Blackham	To seek further clarification from Sandra De Silva regarding items from the FABC meeting held in June.	Outstanding

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Councillor	Action Item	Resolution
Julian Foster	Prepare and distribute ANC financial report.	
Ben Chosid	Set objectives, plans & method of execution to increase table numbers. 1. State Teams target 30 tables 2. Thursday day time target 10 tables	
Ben Chosid	Ben to call Susan Bristow regarding assistance with design of ex-smoking room refit.	