

**NEW SOUTH WALES BRIDGE ASSOCIATION - COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Wednesday 2 July 2008**

Present: John Brownie, Doreen Kjeldsen, Warren Lazer, Colin Mitchell, Judy Mott, Kim Neale, Bruce Neill, Kim Morrison, Trish Carter, Marilyn Chadwick

Observer: Liz Fanos

Apologies: Julian Foster, Nick Rodwell

### **1 Opening**

The meeting was opened at 6.15 pm.

### **2 Confirmation of Minutes of 3 June 2008**

Motion: *That the Minutes for 3 June meeting as amended be accepted as a true and accurate record of that meeting.*

Moved Kim Morrison  
Seconded Marilyn Chadwick Motion carried.

### **3 Completed Tasks from Previous Meeting**

<b>Councillor</b>	<b>Action Item</b>	<b>Current Status</b>
JF	Arrange auditor for FABC trust in due course.	Noted & Closed
JF	Write to ABF re state pairs representation at the ANC.	Completed
Office	Council approved the purchase of the EBA machine from Paul Lavings. The office will arrange for the new machine and re-sell one of our old Duplimate machines. New machine working well.	Completed
BN/JB	BN and JB will meet with the new President of the Willoughby Legion Club and provide review at the next council meeting.	Completed

### **4 Special Business**

#### 2009 Spring Nationals

KN provided details on search for a new venue in 2009. Council discussed possibility of running the event from the NSWBA clubrooms, perhaps using outside accommodation for regular events. A few more possibilities are in progress, however the most promising currently is the Bowlers Club in York Street.

## **5 Correspondence**

- Request for funding for promotion at Batemans Bay Bridge Club.  
Batemans Bay have been advised that the NSWBA is in the process of preparing the paperwork and will advise them shortly. KN to respond once paperwork ready.
- ABF request to clubs for timely submission of Masterpoints: Noted.
- ABF reminder that each state has a requirement to advise their affiliated clubs re the 'Assignment' provisions under Law 80: WL to review and prepare a statement for the website.
- Request from David Stern re use of NSWBA premises 12-14 September for training weekend: Office to advise David the premises are available.

## **6 Chairman's Report**

### Meeting with Club Willoughby

BN and JB met with the new President of Club Willoughby. Club Willoughby are keen to re-develop the site. Their next step is to firm up their preferred option(s). Another update to come next month. BN to look at writing to members to advise status of strategic premises issues.

## **7 Treasurer's Report.**

Report was tabled and briefly discussed in the absence of the Treasurer.

## **8 Committee Reports**

### FABC

Nothing major to report.

### Youth and Library

No report was tabled.

### Rules & Ethics / Appeals

Nothing major to report.

### Teaching, Promotion and Director Liaison

KM is sorting out terms with Ed Barnes for teaching and supervised play.

### House and Sponsorship

Nothing major to report.

## Tournament

The report was tabled. In addition,

- Raised naming of an event in memory of John Arkinstall. Spring National Open Teams and the Association Cup were discussed. Council to think on it and review at next meeting.
- Council discussed the 2009 calendar and air conditioning issues with regard to the ITS. Issues to be discussed further by TC and suggestions presented to Council next meeting.

## Office Manager Report

The report was tabled.

<b>Tasks</b>	<b>Action</b>
Directing	Peter Jamieson away for 2 Wednesday in June. Liz acted as replacement. Also, did a Friday for Charles.
Masterpoints	Completed and sent club masterpoints for Q2. Matthew McManus working with David Weston to ensure the Monday night and weekend State events he was away for are correctly masterpointed and sent to ABF via DW.
Grand National Restricted Pairs	To run Monday day beginning 7 July and Tuesday evening beginning 15 July.
Grants form	Amended and sent to Doreen and Kim M for comments.
Dealing Machine	New machine working well. Initial problems with it not being compatible with Windows 98 (in spite of being told it was). Donation of laptop from Michael Waring solved that issue. Council noted its appreciation of Michael's generosity. Software loaded and Trish (dealer) is very happy with performance.

## **9 General Business**

- Bridge Promotions Strategy:  
BN to ask ABF for further clarification.
- Report from Matthew McManus regarding disciplinary matter:  
Report was tabled. Council appointed a subcommittee of BN, MC and KM to meet with those involved.
- State Mixed Pairs:  
Report from Valerie Cummings was tabled. Also, a pair from Wagga have requested subsidy. Council approved \$250 subsidy for the pair.
- Teaching Rates:
- Staffing matter:  
Council discussed. Situation to be resolved – Office will advise.

**10****Action Items from the July Meeting and previous Meetings**

<b>Councillor</b>	<b>Action Item</b>	<b>Current Status</b>
AY/BN	Try and secure an air conditioning project manager from NSWBA members.	Carried Forward
KN	Coffs Harbour Bridge Club application for a gold point event. Arrange for draft contracts. ABF contract reviewed looks OK. Proposed contract received from ABF. Copy to Julian Foster.	In Progress
KM	Finalise negotiations with Ed Barnes re taking on the Teaching role at NSWBA. Also, advise policy on handling small numbers of participants during supervised sessions.	In Progress
KM/Office	Finalise a new form for applying for FABC grants. Once complete update the form to include applications for the ABF grant (\$8,000 for promotions and teaching). Put in place process for making clubs aware of the options and how they can apply for funds as required.	In Progress
JF	Write to ABF re terms of loan agreement.	In Progress
BN	Request for funding for Coffs Harbour Directors forum to be held during their Congress in August. Council wanted to understand what costs are involved and ensure that the ABDA has also been approached for funds. BN to respond.	Carried Forward
BN	Tim Seres books need to reviewed and placed on display. BN to check if Ron Klinger can assist with this task.	Carried Forward
KN	The ANC Youth team contains an under 18 year old and so the appropriate procedures will need to be followed. KN to arrange.	In Progress
KM	Request for funding for promotion at Batemans Bay Bridge Club. Batemans Bay have been advised that the NSWBA is in the process of preparing the paperwork and will advise them shortly. KM to respond once the paperwork and processes are ready.	Current
WL	ABF reminder that each state has a requirement to advise their affiliated clubs re the 'Assignment' provisions under Law 80. WL to review and prepare a statement for the website.	Current
Office	Request from David Stern re use of NSWBA premises 12-14 September for training weekend: Office to advise David the premises are available.	Current
ALL	Naming of events in memory of John Arkininstall and Tim Seres.	Current
BN	Bridge Promotions Strategy. BN to ask ABF for further clarification.	Current
KM	Disciplinary matter from State Mixed Pairs. KM/BN/MC to meet with those involved. KM to draft a letter of notification.	Current
BN/Office	Chase up exactly what happened when the aircon was cleaned earlier in the year and see if we can quantify the actual improvement in airflow/conditions etc. Can we schedule just before the ITS?	Current

**11 Next meeting**

The next meeting will be held Wednesday 13 August at 6:15pm.

The meeting was closed at 8.15 pm.