**BOWLS MANAWATU**

Minutes of Board Meeting held at 4.30pm on Tuesday, 9 March 2021 in the Takaro Bowling Clubrooms

**Present:** Steve Toms (President), Mark Noble (Centre Manager), Lyn Corbett, Brian Looker, Grant Pratt, Sharon Sims (Board Members)

**Apologies:** Les Webster (Vice President)

**Minutes:** Minutes of the meeting held on 2 February 2021 had been circulated to Board members. It was moved Steve Toms/Lyn Corbett that these be approved. **Carried.** Mark to forward to Clubs.

**Matters Arising:**

There were no matters arising from the Minutes.

**Correspondence:**

Mark tabled the schedule of inwards and outwards correspondence which was self explanatory.

Inward

1. Sharon agreed to represent and speak on behalf of the Centre at the Northern Club’s 100 anniversary celebrations.
2. Mark advised that he had had further contact with an umpire from the Kapiti Centre and they were willing to assist us at special events if needed. It was agreed a contribution towards travel costs would be made.
3. No further communications have been received from either Bowls NZ or the Northern Club regarding the termination/suspension of a club member.
4. Mark confirmed the arrangements for the van hire for the intercentre teams.
5. Mark also advised that an email had been sent to clubs regarding arrangements for the upcoming CC events.
6. A complaint has been received from the Kapiti Centre regarding Lyn Jensen being selected for the Manawatu Masters team, having already played in the senior representative side. Mark advised that at last year’s Managers’ meeting it had been agreed that this condition would be waived as the Wairarapa Centre in particular would be unable to field teams.

Outward

1. Entries for the National Interclub and Bowls 3 Five events have been sent to Bowls NZ along with the entry fee.
2. Mark expressed concern that a complaint from the Kapiti Centre had been made directly to the Copthorne Hotel regarding the price of rooms given the very generous support being received from the hotel. It was even more disappointing given that the Kapiti players had decided not to stay in the hotel which meant an unnecessary extra charge was spread amongst the other centres.

**Finance:** The financial statements had been circulated to Board members prior to the meeting. It was moved (Steve Toms/Brian Looker) that the accounts for payment be approved and the financial position noted. **Carried.**

**General Business:**

1. Mark advised that he understood the Men’s Masters tournament will be held in the Manawatu next year.
2. While dates etc had been finalised for most of the CC events, the 1-8 Singles and Pairs could not be finalised until Johnston Park Bowls had completed their club events. Lyn to advise Mark as soon as the results were available.
3. Brian Looker to contact Tournament Managers to ascertain their availability to manage the Champion of Champion events. Lyn indicated she could do the Womens Singles and Triples if required.
4. Sharon reminded the Board that any notices of motion/remits to the AGM (and in particular the remit regarding open event composite team clothing and capitation fees) would need to be finalised at the next meeting. Mark to contact Martin McKenzie at Bowls NZ to obtain a better understanding of the manner in which they calculate capitation fees.
5. Sharon advised that in discussions with Bowls Wairarapa the idea of a 1-8 year representative fixture between the two centres was raised. The Board supports this idea and Mark is to contact Warren Fisher.
6. Mark advised that three people had expressed an interest in taking on the sponsorship role for the Centre. It was agreed that Mark should have first option to take up this role with outside assistance if felt appropriate. He is to have further discussions with one of the interested parties. It was tentatively discussed that a fee of 5% would be paid for retention/roll over of sponsorship and a fee of 10% of the value for new sponsorships.
7. Very positive feedback had been received by Board members on the Centre Open Events final weekend just completed.

**Date of next meeting:**

**Thursday, 1 April 2021** at 4.30pm at Julia Wallace Village. This is subject to confirmation by Chrissy at Julia Wallace. The alternative date is 8th April. Mark to confirm.

The meeting closed at 5.20pm.

Signed as a true and correct record:

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Chairman Date