

President's Meeting 2007

9.30 am to 4.00pm, Sunday 18th March 2007

Tall Trees Motel, 21 Stephen Street, Ainslie. Canberra

MINUTES

1. Roll call

Keith McDonald (Chair, ABF President/QLD President)
Richard Grenside (ABF Secretary)
Keiran Crowe-Mai (ABF Treasurer)
Eilis Magner (ABF General Counsel)
Roy Nixon (ABF MC/ACT President)
Alex Yezerski (NSW President)
Tim Haubrick (NT President)
Dallas Cooper (TAS President)
David Smith (acting for VIC President)
Martin Willcox (Chair TC) (AM Only)

2. Apologies

Dianne Marler (SA President)
Jeannette Collins (VIC President)
Nigel Dutton (WA President)

3. Confirmation of minutes 2006 and matters arising

4. President's Report

5. Treasurer's Report and Financial Results 2006

6. General Counsel Report

7. Tournament Report

8. ANC:

General discussion on the standard of bridge player in the ANC Teams (a closed event). The profile of the ANC needs to be lifted via the Butler. Marketing Committee to investigate different avenues to sell to bridge players.

Action: RN

9. Spring Nationals

10. GNOT

President of ACT raised the idea of having a teams event one year and the following year a pairs event. Secretary to convey suggestion to Convenor of the GNOT.

Action: RG

11. II. BBO

Bridge Base Online arrangements are in place for all National events. A vu-graph coordinator has been appointed. Vu-Graph proposal to be placed on website.

12. Honorary Membership of the ABF

This matter has been referred to the Management Committee.

13. Teaching and Promotion Subsidy

Treasurer to write to all States with a follow-up to original correspondence clearly outlining subsidy. **Action: KCM**

14. Alcohol and Licensed Events

Licensees are to be advised of the ABF regulation that alcohol is to be banned in the playing area in all finals. The Management Committee to clarify "playing area" and "finals".

15. License Agreements

Income generated at a licensed event is "all income".

16. Hand Generation

The President's discussed this matter and once again agreed that the issue of hand generation programs should not be tampered with. Secretary to write to W Lazer.

Action: RG

17. Youth Age

A request from the Youth Committee to increase the membership age of the ABF Youth Bridge Club from 25 to 26 was agreed. As a consequence the 50% price cut in entry fees to ABF events will extend to all players under the age of 26.

Meeting closed at 2.20pm