

# **AUSTRALIAN BRIDGE FEDERATION**

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Rydges Canberra Hotel  
Canberra**

11/12 March 2000  
Start Time: 10.00am

### **1. Identification of Attendees**

#### 1.1. Roll Call

QLD	K McDonald (2 votes)
N SW	J Arkinstall, T Brown
ACT	S Wenger; J Hunt (present Saturday)
VIC	E Ramshaw & DC for M Willcox.
TAS	D Cooper DC for J Bailey, V Brockwell DC for R Penny
SA	D Anderson (2 votes)
WA	D Yovich, J Greenfeld
NT	H Pedersen (2 votes)

Minute Secretary Val Brockwell

(At the conclusion of this meeting ER will resume the office of Supplemental Councillor)

1.2. Bona Fides of each person present voting or observing  
So confirmed.

1.3. New Councillors nominated by their state by March 6, 2000  
W Scott (Victoria).

1.4. Apologies  
T Jackman, W Scott, M Willcox, R Penny, J Bailey, G Smolanko, E Magner.

At this stage, a procedural motion was put (JH/DC) that the Chairman be empowered to vary the agenda as required. Approved.

### **2. Minutes of Previous Meeting (13/14 March 1999)**

2.1. Confirmation  
So confirmed (TB/SW).

## 2.2. Matters arising

The Chairman briefed the Council on:

- a) The NSWBA loan.
- b) The situation on auditors.

There were no other matters from the minutes of 13/14 March 1999.

## 3. Elections

3.1. President - Keith McDonald (Proposed J. Arkinstall, seconded D. Yovich )  
KM elected unopposed for a further period of 2 years.

3.2. Secretary – Dennis Yovich (Proposed K. McDonald, seconded T. Brown)  
DY elected unopposed for a further period of 2 years

3.3. Treasurer – Terry Brown (Proposed D. Yovich, seconded J. Arkinstall)  
T Brown elected unopposed for a period of 2 years

3.4. Management Committee members – nominees E. Ramshaw, J. Arkinstall  
E Ramshaw and J Arkinstall elected unopposed for a further period of 2 years

## 4. Appointments

4.1. Public Officer - George Jesner  
G Jesner re-elected unopposed

4.2. Auditors  
Deferred until later in the meeting

4.3. General Counsel – Eilis Magner  
E Magner elected unopposed.

## 5. Executive Reports

### 5.1. The President

KM spoke to his report that marked the completion of his second year in office. The ABF followed standard procedure of the appointment of an auditor to review all expenses by the General Manager after the position was made redundant. Following the redundancy, the Management Committee has assumed more of the burden of running the ABF. In addition, the Executive Secretary has assumed increased responsibility and undertaken a greater workload. The MC approved an inflation adjustment increase of 3.5% for V Brockwell from 1 March 2000. The Masterpoint Centre is working well. A quotation has been requested for the upgrade of the software to Windows. The Newsletter costs in 1999 were 65K. The MC is currently investigating economies.

ABF tournaments are successful, the growth of seniors bridge and recognition of such is an important step.

The Library continues to be an asset for the ABF, in 1999 nearly 12K worth of material was purchased.

The 1998 ABF accounts have been signed and sent to PWC Perth. They will be lodged by the Public Officer when available.

The Home Page is now of a standard that brings credit to the ABF. The staged development is now ready to proceed to the next level.

The ABF receives expert legal advice from Professor Magner.

Policy/planning strategies require more documentation.

The JOS Foundation works well. The ABF Treasury has made available \$100,000 to loan to JOS as required at better than bank rate of interest. The Foundation now has a separate bank account and approximately \$190,000 is currently out on loan to Clubs.

Two youth coordinators, Andrew Mill and David Lusk were appointed at \$7,000 each per annum. David Stern's Youth Committee has made a good start. The ABF has agreed to the establishment of a "Youth Club" where all fees will be waived for players up to 18 with the mechanics still to be worked out.

The President hoped that in 2000 a Constitution Review Committee could recommend whether constitutional change is needed. Report accepted.

## 5.2. The Treasurer

T Brown tabled his report. He spoke to it and the 1999 draft accounts that indicated a small loss was incurred for 1999. He pointed out that the \$52,568.70 listed as wages is not correct and that the \$17,600.80 figure is likely to vary by about \$10,000.

International travel is cyclic (4 years). It is planned to prepare a budget for this cycle and apportion it to each year.

A report from KPMG on GST advice cost \$5000. A list of questions has yet to be responded to by KPMG. The advice is on the home page.

Costs for the web site have increased in line with phased development.

Accountants have been moved from Price Waterhouse Coopers, Canberra to Don Walker, Brisbane.

The Corporate Traveller scheme has begun well.

It is planned to issue all convenors with a standardised accounting approach.

Further analysis is required on the GST implications for our events.

The Treasurer noted that there should be savings of about \$60,000 in 2000 compared to 1999 due to the following: no longer a GM's salary, the price of accounting fees being less, the cost of printing the Newsletter being reduced and the cost of Management Committee travel to meetings being under the Corporate Traveller scheme.

The Treasurer reminded the meeting that the MC had deemed that the ABF year for the purposes of the capitation fee be 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> December. This had a bearing on the GST assessment in the 2000 ABF levy. Report accepted.

### 5.3. The Secretary

Due to the fact that the work of the MC has increased, additional meetings may need to be scheduled. The MC will issue a statement on meeting dates as soon as possible.

### 5.4. The General Counsel

The President spoke to EM's pre-circulated report. An issue had recently arisen as to the use of ABF letter headed paper and the issuing of statements on behalf of the ABF. It appears that old letterhead exists without our ARBN number shown. Councillors were reminded that only the MC could issue policy statements. Chairmen or convenors could handle routine correspondence but should be careful to avoid exceeding their authority. Copies of correspondence to Secretariat for filing.

### 5.5. James O'Sullivan Foundation

It is pleasing to note that four or five new applications are being processed. The Trustees of the JOS Foundation meet at the end of MC meetings as the members are basically MC members.

### 5.6. Committee of Honour – nomination R. Cummings

A citation prepared by DW Howard went out to all states. The nomination that RJ Cummings be elected to the ABF Committee of Honour was approved.

Refer to Item 9.

## 6. Committee Reports

### 6.1. Management Committee – K. McDonald

The MC has requested reports for each MC meeting from Committee Chairmen. Most reports have not been forthcoming.

A competition for the design of new ABF medallions was being undertaken by DY, to be conducted via the ABF Newsletter.

Trophies from the Summer Festival and the ANC are to be presented at the tournaments but then returned immediately by the recipients so that they can remain at ABF HQ. Events held elsewhere in Australia should be responsible for the retention of their trophies.

### 6.2. Tournament Committee - E. Ramshaw

The TC met three times during 1999. It is of the view that all ABF events should remain under ABF control rather than being franchised. The control rather than the finances is the concern.

The MC has taken a decision to support Seniors in the same fashion as the Open, Womens and Youth, so the Seniors circuit needs expanding.

The TC to address whether PQP should be attached to the proposed new gold-point NSW event as this was a Masterpoint Committee guideline for new gold

point events.

ER tabled a draft regulation on residency/eligibility requirements. This was examined and noted by Council.

6.3. Finance Committee – T. Brown

A budget is required. The list of fees for directors is a guide, but needs review.

6.4. Tournament Unit - E. Ramshaw

ER spoke to his pre-circulated report. The tables appended therein to aid in the managerial/financial structure for future tournaments. Peter Buchen has been provided with data from the ABF for analysis.

The report from the Zonal Laws Commission (ER Chair) to be listed as a regular committee report.

6.5. ABF Masterpoints Centre – J. Hansen

DA spoke to J Hansen's pre-circulated report. He queried whether the software needed to be changed from DOS to Windows as it was working well in DOS. He also queried if masterpoint fees would rise 10% with GST

6.6. Systems Committee – R.Penny

There were no queries to the pre-circulated report

6.7. Ethics Committee – E. Magner

Letters re the registration of a dog as an ABF member have gone out to perpetrator and the concerned parties. There is a matter pending from the 1999 Spring Nationals. Another problem involves alcohol at tournaments which is initially the responsibility of the CTD.

The MC considered how matters are referred to the Ethic Committee. This should be through the National Recorder (NJ Moses) or the MC

6.8. Technological Unit – D. Yovich

DY spoke to his pre-circulated report. The main objective had been to improve the web page. The tender by Valerie and Catherine Cummings had been accepted. The page currently costs about \$10,000 p.a. Over the next few months the MC will move to phase 3 which means more and varied information on the page. For major events the direct links have proved very successful. It was hoped later to include advertising on the page

OK Bridge is prepared to provide 12 complimentary memberships for 12 months. These have been allocated as follows:

Three each to Open, Womens and Seniors and three for youth. Youth memberships to be allocated at the discretion of the Chairman of the Youth Committee.

6.9. Masterpoint Committee – D. Anderson

DA spoke to his pre-circulated report. The MC, aware of the growth of internet

bridge, has granted permission for MSN (Microsoft Gaming Network) to issue green points on a 6-month trial period.

- 6.10. National Authority Committee – E. Magner  
The last meeting of this Committee was 1998 in Adelaide. Nothing has been referred.
- 6.11. Player Liaison Committee – A. Mill  
No report
- 6.12. Youth Bridge – D. Stern  
Two papers were tabled through the Secretary, DY, from David Lusk and David Stern. The Council registered dissatisfaction at the intemperate tone expressed in the papers.  
JH tabled a report from Sheila Bird as Vice-Chair of BFACT addressed to the ABF Secretary objecting that the ABF Youth Committee had not recognised the State organisation. The Youth Committee should deal with ABF constituents, i.e. the State bodies. Council is happy that the Youth Committee has some autonomy, but requires protocol to be adhered with. ACTION KM
- The Youth Club has the goodwill of the ABF and the States, it is to be set up on a trial basis, the mechanics still to be worked out
- 6.13. Newsletter Committee – S. Wenger  
S Wenger spoke to his pre-circulated report. The Committee has not met. The ABF Newsletter is principally to promulgate ABF policy matters.
- 6.14. National Directors Accreditation Committee – J. Brockwell  
JB's report tabled. John McIlrath accredited to National Director Level II following the 2000 Summer Festival of Bridge.
- 6.15. State Directors Accreditation Committee – R. Penny  
No report
- 6.16. ABDA Liaison Committee – M McManus  
Report noted
- 6.17. Library Committee – T. Bourke  
Report noted
- 6.18. Marketing Committee – M. Kent  
MK spoke to his pre-circulated report that followed a meeting in Melbourne. He and Jessel Rothfield are working on the concept of trying to link with one of the major charity organisations such as the Heart Foundation to organise a celebrity rubber bridge competition with a view to getting some celebrities to link their names to it. This would require support from State Associations. It will be listed

as an agenda item for the Presidents Meeting in May. ACTION DY  
A novice congress was also discussed, possibly linked to the GNOT.  
MK tabled a pamphlet he and J Rothfield had produced.

The Saturday meeting closed at 5.05PM.

The Sunday meeting commenced at 10.00AM.

6.19. Governance Committee – J.Arkininstall

JA tabled his report. The paper from the Governance Committee gives us a code of conduct. The ABF endorsed the code and it will become part of our charter. Further protocols to be formulated by the Committee.

6.20. Presidents Meeting – K. McDonald

The 1999 Presidents Meeting was a one day meeting held in conjunction with a MC meeting, so all MC members attended. The meeting had proved well worthwhile. A date in May would be settled by the MC for the 2000 meeting and invitations issued to all State Presidents.

6.21. Regulations Committee – E. Magner

The regulations are in draft form in an attempt to simplify the language used. The completion of this task is now a priority.

**7. ANC Calendar**

7.1. 2000 ANC Brisbane

Report noted. The Convenor, Jim Millar, had asked if the ABF would consider the position in regard to the pre-payment of dinner tickets.

7.2. 2001 ANC Canberra

Julia Hoffman's report tabled. Dates are 12-27 July. The question of raffles was discussed

7.3. 2002 ANC Hobart

D Cooper advised that negotiations are taking place. The most likely venue is the Grand Chancellor in Hobart. Margaret Whitehouse will be the Convenor

7.4. 2003 ANC Darwin

HP advised that the dates will be 11-25 July. The new Stokes Hill Wharf will be the venue. Terry Lissman will be the Convenor. Some assistance from the NT Government and the Tourist Bureau is expected

## 8. Tournaments & Captains Reports.

- 8.1. 1999 Australian Swiss Pairs –R.Penny  
Report and financial statement tabled
- 8.2. 1999 GNOT – J.Brockwell  
Report precirculated. It was pleasing to note an initial entry of 1517 teams or 20% of the membership of the ABF
- 8.3. 1999 Spring Nationals – E.Ramshaw  
John Mottram is a long-standing convenor. The venue, the Vista Hotel was satisfactory. There was only a small increase in the Open field, but the standard was higher than ever before.. The tournament made a small profit.
- 8.4. 1999 Hans Rosendorff Memorial Women's Teams – D.Yovich  
The report from Convenor, Sue Broad was tabled. The event was run in the WABC clubrooms. A possible discussion item for the Presidents Meeting could be the ways in which the ABF could assist distantly located States attract players to their gold-pointed events. ACTION DY  
A query from the attached HRMWT financial statement that the cost of room hire and cleaning was somewhat disproportionate should be balanced with the fact that the club lost 3 sessions of regular duplicate whilst the event was in progress.
- 8.5. 2000 Summer Festival – J.Scudder  
J Scudder's pre-circulated report was tabled. Pyroconsult advised no increase in the Convenor's contract for 2001. ACTION VB  
It was noted that, despite the loss of teams to Bermuda this year, there is an increasing trend to lose top players from the event. WScott to chair Player Liaison Committee to investigate this.  
The MC is keen to market the Summer Festival and to get maximum participation from Zone 6. More space on the home page a possibility. It would be a good venture for a tour promoter to package overseas players to attend the Summer Festival and the Gold Coast Congress with an in-between filler. There is now reciprocity between Australia and the UK with masterpoints. The President and Treasurer to undertake routine audit of this and other ABF events.
- 8.6. 2000 Gold Coast – T. Jackman  
Tony Jackman's report tabled. The Gold Coast Congress will have to move to a second hotel for 2001 and may include a Seniors category. The Congress pays the ABF a sanction fee. ACTION VB
- 8.7. 1999 Autumn Teams, Adelaide – D.Anderson  
DA's precirculated report tabled. Attendance increases each year. In 2000 the

event will increase to 8 rounds.

8.8. 1999 VCC – J.Thompson

This report was tabled at the 1999 Perth Council Meeting

8.9. 2000 Playoff for Olympiad – E. Ramshaw

The venue is the Wynyard Vista Hotel, Sydney. There is the addition of a Senior Playoff of 64 boards on Easter Monday. The team names have been posted on the net provisional on system amendments from some players. The Tournament Unit will be supplied with maroon jackets.

8.10. WBF Events (BB/VC, World Juniors) - E.Ramshaw

The MC has received Captains reports from J Hoffman, W Scott and N Moses. Although the teams did not perform well they were a credit to Australia in every other way. The Recorder payment by the ABF was a great success with captains and players. For the first time Open and Women team members almost recouped the cost of international representation.

The target events for 2000 are the WBF Olympiad in Maastricht, Holland, and New Zealand for the Youth.

8.11. 1999 ANC Perth – S. Surman

The report was tabled. No financial report yet received.

In answer to a recommendation by the Convenor, the ABF reiterates that it will not meet the costs of the TOU for ANCs.

8.12. 2000 ANC Brisbane – K. McDonald

Dealt with in 7.1

8.13. 1999 Oceania Championships – V.Brockwell

VB spoke to her report.

8.14. 1999 Worldwide Bridge Contest – J.Hansen

There was no 1999 event. For 2000 the Convenor is John Hansen. The dates are 2-3 June. An entry form has been sent to Club Secretaries plus information from the WBF. A press release has been posted on the home page. The scoring method will be different, offering worldwide matchpointing. The fee of \$7 per person per session (+ club table money) has been agreed. It is hoped that there will be maximum support from clubs as in turn Australia supports the WBF in holding this event.

**Note:** The Chairman exercised the approval given earlier in the meeting to vary the agenda re item 9. The discussion on the Notice of Motion was brought forward following the request of several Councillors that it be dealt with earlier than planned. It was discussed after item 5.6.

## 9. Notice of Motion

### 5.1 Constitutional Amendment

The Constitutional Amendment (attached) was circulated to all States. The agreement of 2/3 of States in writing is required and ¾ consent of Councillors or Deputy Councillors present at the AGM. The concept is that NSW receive an additional vote on the basis of the number on the basis of the number of ABF registered players in that State.

Tasmania foreshadowed a Notice of Motion for the next meeting:

**“That the right to a third vote on the ABF Council will be granted to, and retained by, any State Association which has at least 40% of ABF members”**

A further Notice of Motion was foreshadowed by S Wenger:

**“that no further changes to the representation of State territory bodies on the ABF Council be contemplated until the review of the ABF Constitution is complete”.**

An open ballot, as opposed to a poll, followed.

QLD	yes	2 votes
NSW	yes	2 votes
ACT	yes	2 votes
VIC	yes	1 vote
TAS	yes	2 votes
SA	yes	2 votes
WA	no	2 votes
NT	yes	2 votes

The motion was passed subject to 2/3 agreement of the States but still requires 2/3 agreement of the States, voting as States.

### 5.2 ANC Fees 2001

The Notice of Motion (attached) was circulated to all States

An open ballot proceeded

QLD	2 yes		(2 votes)
NSW	2 yes		(2 votes)
ACT	1 yes	1 abstention	(2 votes)
VIC	1 yes		(1 vote)
TAS	2 yes		(2 votes)
SA	2 yes		(2 votes)
WA	1 no	1 abstention	(2 votes)
NT	2 yes		(2 votes)

The motion was carried

## 10. General Business

### 10.1. Honoraria

ER withdrew from discussions. It was moved, (KM/TB) that the TOU honoraria be increased by 3.5% as an inflation adjustment. The present scale is:

ER	10,000
RG	1 875
MW	1250
CD	625

ACTION VB

### 10.2. Committees for 2000

Attached.

### 10.3. Any other business

It was noted, with thanks, that data had been received from the Golden West Congress and the Barrier Reef Teams

Motion (HP/DY)

**“That \$1500 be allocated to the Northern Territory to support their directing programme on a dollar for dollar basis. The training programme must be supervised by a director of National II ranking or higher”**

Carried on the basis that this is a once-only grant.

The President outlined to Council a proposal from Paul Marston currently being considered by the MC.

The proposal for a Dick Cummings memorial tournament was discussed. This is initiated by Denis Howard with advice from an *ad hoc* committee consisting of Warren Lazer, Peter Newman and Matthew McManus with further assistance from KM and JA. It is to be a gold-pointed event, the Dick Cummings Blue Ribbon Pairs for the Herald Trophy. The proposal has been referred to the ABF Tournament Committee as it may involve changes to the format of the GNOT and the Spring Nationals.

DA reported that South Australia is in the process of considering constitutional changes to give representation on the State body to all affiliated clubs.

The date of the next ANC Council meeting is 29 July between the hours of 10AM and 5PM, which is the Saturday at the conclusion of the Brisbane ANC. The probable venue

is the QCBC Clubrooms.

The date of the next AGM is 17-18 March, 2001

10.4. The meeting closed at 2.45PM

# APPENDAGE TO AGM MINUTES

ABF SECRETARIAT  
PO Box 397  
FYSHWICK ACT 2609

## Notice of Motion

18 April, 2000

### NOTICE OF SPECIAL RESOLUTION

This resolution will need to obtain a three-quarters majority before it becomes effective.

#### ABF Constitutional Amendment

It is proposed to amend the Constitution of the Australian Bridge Federation by deleting Clause 8 Deputy Councillors and replacing it by a new Clause 8 and 9A as follows.

#### **Deputy Councillors**

8. Should a Full Councillor be unable to attend a meeting of Council, the State which appointed that full Councillor may by notice in writing to the Secretary at least seven (7) days prior to a meeting appoint a Deputy Councillor for the purpose of the meeting. Any ABF registered player who is neither a Councillor nor a Deputy Councillor nor the General Counsel is eligible to act as Deputy Councillor. A Deputy Councillor shall have the full status and rights of a Full Councillor at the meeting for which he or she is appointed.

#### **Special Voting Rights**

9A. (1) As an alternative to appointing a Deputy Councillor the State which appointed the Full Councillor may nominate the other Full Councillor appointed by the State as proxy for the Full Councillor unable to attend the meeting or vote on a postal vote. Such nomination must be by notice in writing to the Secretary received at least seven days (7) prior to the meeting. In that event the Full Councillor attending the meeting or voting as the case may be shall have an additional vote.

2) The State of New South Wales has the right to exercise a third vote in Council meetings. To exercise this right the State of New South Wales must nominate the Full Councillor who will be empowered to exercise that vote. Such nomination must be by notice in writing to the Secretary received at least seven days (7) prior to the meeting.

*Proposed, Keith McDonald: Seconded, Terry Brown.*

The provision to be repealed reads as follows:

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The substantive amendment therefore is the provision that New South Wales may exercise a third vote. The other amendments replicate the substance of the earlier provisions. The provision about a proxy vote which is an alternative to the appointment of a deputy councillor is appropriately moved into the new provision about voting rights.

The rationale for the amendment is that NSW has approximately 43% of the membership of the ABF and 140 of the 240 affiliated clubs. It is considered appropriate that it receive an additional vote at ABF General Meetings and not by increasing the number of Councillors from NSW, there is no financial cost to the ABF. The essence of the motion was discussed at a State Presidents Meeting where it was thought to be fair and reasonable.

The motion is to be voted on at the Annual General Meeting in March. State Associations are requested to communicate their votes as States to the ABF before the meeting and additionally to appraise their delegates of their views on this motion.

# Notice of Motion

## ANC FEES 2001

The entry fees for New South Wales and Queensland will be \$4500.

The entry fee for the Australian Capital Territory will be \$3900.

The entry fee for Tasmania will be \$1800.

The entry fee for South Australia, Western Australia and Victoria will be \$4200.

The entry fee for the Northern Territory will be \$1050.

*Explanation:*

In 2000 the entry fees for New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia, Victoria and the Australian Capital Territory will be \$4200. The entry fees for Tasmania will be \$2100 and for the Northern Territory, \$1050.

The additional \$600 raised by increasing the fees to be paid by New South Wales and Queensland will be used by the Host State to rebate the entry fees of the Australian Capital Territory to \$3900 and Tasmania to \$1800.

**Proposed by K McDonald; Seconded by D Yovich**

# Elected to March 2000

Mr Keith McDonald	Queensland	President
Mr Terry Brown	New South Wales	Treasurer
Mr Dennis Yovich	Western Australia	Secretary
Mr Stephen Wenger	ACT	
Mr Andrew Mill	Victoria	
Mr Roger Penny	Tasmania	
Mr George Smolanko	South Australia	
Mr Garth Tier	Northern Territory	

State Secretaries, if you have not already done so, please confirm your Delegates.

The ABF President, Treasurer and Secretary each intend to re-nominate for their respective positions that expire at the March 2000 AGM. Any other nominations must be signed by the nominating Councillor and the person nominated and reach the Secretary 14 days prior to the meeting.

# NOMINATION TO ABF COMMITTEE OF HONOUR

It is proposed that the name of Richard John Cummings be added to the ABF Committee of Honour.

*Citation:*

Richard John Cummings was born in Brisbane on 13<sup>th</sup> September 1932, and died in Sydney on 27<sup>th</sup> October 1999, at the age of 67.

Dick won his first national title in 1957, and his last in 1995. Among his many victories in national competition were a remarkable 14 ANC Team titles. He represented Australia in 5 Olympiads between 1960 and 1980, winning the Bols Brilliancy prize at the 1980 Olympiad in Valkenburg. He also played in 5 Bermuda Bowls and 6 Far East Championships. His partnership with Tim Seres was world-renowned. He was an accomplished bridge journalist, writing for the Sun-Herald from 1978 and the Sydney Morning Herald from 1981, in the case of both papers, until his death. He edited World Bridge News from 1989 to 1994. He was also a very successful teacher.

Throughout his long career, his integrity, table ethics and sportsmanship were never questioned. In summary, his contribution to bridge in Australia was enormous.

*Proposed K McDonald; Seconded John Arkinstall.*

## Australian Bridge Federation. COMMITTEES for 2000

<b>Tournament</b>	E Ramshaw Chair  W Lazer	J Brockwell Sec	J Hunt	R Penny	W Jacobs	D Stern	D Anderson Obs	B Thompson Obs
<b>Finance</b>	T Brown Chair	J Arkinstall	J Greenfeld	M Kent	R Evans			
<b>Management</b>	K McDonald President	D Yovich Secretary	T Brown Treasurer	J Arkinstall	E Ramshaw	E Magner Gen Counsel	V Brockwell Obs	
<b>Masterpoint Unit</b>	D Anderson Chair	W Lazer	J Wright	V Muntz	J Hansen			
<b>Technology Unit</b>	D Yovich Chair	M Willcox	G Tier					
<b>National Authority</b>	E Magner Chair	J Arkinstall	E Ramshaw	N Moses	R Grenside	W Lazer		
<b>Systems</b>	R Penny Chair	J Bailey	R Busch	R Klinger	W Lazer			
<b>Player Liaison</b>	W Scott Chair	V Cummings	1 other (male)					
<b>Newsletter</b>	W Scott Chair	J Bailey	H Pedersen					
<b>Nat Director Accreditation</b>	J Brockwell Chair	R Penny	E Ramshaw	R Grenside	I Dahler			
<b>State Director Accreditation</b>	R Penny Chair	M Kent	M Willcox	J Hunt	M McManus Obs			
<b>Ethics</b>	E Magner Chair	J Arkinstall Dep. Chair	B Neill	N Moses	J Hunt			
<b>Library</b>	T Bourke Chair	J Hunt	S Wenger					
<b>Marketing</b>	M Kent Chair	J Rothfield	J Greenfeld					
<b>Youth</b>	D Stern Chair	A Mill	K Robb	P Gill	D Lusk			
<b>Governance</b>	J Arkinstall Chair	S Wenger	R Klinger					
<b>Regulations</b>	E Magner Chair	R Klinger	B Neill	W Lazer	P Gue	N Moses Legal advice	F Curtis Legal advice	

