

ABF Management Committee Meeting
Friday, 10th March 2000
Commencing at 7.30pm, Rydges Canberra Hotel
MINUTES (Short)

1) *Roll Call*

Present: K McDonald (Chair), D Yovich, T Brown, JH Arkinstall, EH Ramshaw, V Brockwell (Minute Secretary).

2) *Confirmation of meeting held 26/27 February 2000.*

DY to amend item 5c to “make available to D Stern to use at his discretion on youth related matters. **ACTION KM/TB**

3) *Matters arising* (significant issues)

(a) Player residency

If in doubt, any questions of residency should be resolved in writing to the ABF Secretariat. Determinant time is the time the entry is submitted to the WBF.
ER’s draft report to be tabled as the current proposal to the AGM

(b) Cards proposal

Deferred

(c) AGM Notices of Motion

(d) Youth Event in NZ

VB spoke to J Wignall who indicated that he would issue invitations to French Polynesia, New Caledonia and Tonga to send youth teams. However, this was not likely and the match would probably only involve Australia and New Zealand.
Matter unresolved, waiting for clarification from Chairman of Youth Committee

(e) SF Dealing Tenders

Four tenders were received.
NSWBA for sections 4 and 5
Migration Path for sections 4, 5 and six
Mary Mullamphy for section 1
Marcia Scudder for section 3
All need to be checked against tender application. **ACTION KM/ER/M Kent**

(f) Generali for 2000

VB invited Matthew Thomson as leading PQP holder to represent Zone 7 and relayed Matthew’s acceptance to J Wignall. KM to write to D Stern re ratification of Kylie Robb. **ACTION KM**

- 4) *President's Report* – K McDonald
- (a) Naming Rights for ABF events
No progress
 - (b) “Youth” club proposal (Stern)
Deferred
 - (c) President tabled a letter from Jim Millar, Convenor for the ANC 2000 in Brisbane, that some States will not pre-pay tickets for the dinner. List as an agenda item for the President's Meeting. **ACTION DY**
 - (d) Absence for VB to attend the Oceania Congress approved from 26 April-5 May under the same terms as in previous years.
 - (e) A letter from DW Howard re the Dick Cummings tournament referred to the Tournament Committee. **ACTION ER**
 - (f) A letter from D Stern re the developing status for ANC youth approved.
DY to write to D Stern, to write to all States, to promulgate in the Newsletter and to have the information posted on the Home Page. **ACTION DY**
 - (g) It was decided that a letter from D Stern to J Wright (Masterpoint Secretary of NSW) was not a Management Committee matter.
 - (h) An increase of 3.5% in VB's salary was approved. **ACTION TB**
- 5) *Treasurer's & Finance Report* – T. Brown
- (a) Auditors (item 6. (g) Feb MC)
Matter pending
 - (b) Audit for SF (item 6. (i) Feb MC)
Pending **ACTION TB/KM**
 - (c) \$1200 from A Mill for Youth Championships
The Convenor of the January Youth Championships is to send a profit/loss statement to TB and remit any/or residual of any advance to the ABF Treasurer.
 - (d) Travel Centre Proposal (item 6 (d) Feb MC)
Progressing. TB tabled a letter from Corporate Traveller, which is to be vetted by Legal Counsel and signed after addition of clause verifying that accommodation booked by the Corporate Traveller at the venue is attributed to the Convenor.. **ACTION TB/EM**
 - (e) Corporate Mastercard (item 6 (e), Feb MC)
Finalised.

(f) Audit of 1999 ABF Accounts

A draft set of accounts is available for the AGM. However, they are not yet audited.

6) *Secretary's Report* including incoming and outgoing mail.

(a) Greg Quittner proposal (item 7(a), Feb. MC)

Letter sent to G Quittner offering ABF payment of \$250 on receipt of report.

Letter sent to D Stern re \$1000

Letter sent to J Hansen and others. DY to draft a para. for ABF Newsletter.

ACTION DY

Letter from D Lusk re residency for ANC referred to ER

ACTION ER

Letter sent to M Thomson, S Burgess, P Marston re acceptance of Burgess in Playoffs.

Letter sent to Paul Sherman

Letter sent to John McIlrath

Quote obtained from Pilpil , Perth for printing Newsletter - 9000 copies \$4,478, 10,000 copies \$5188.

(b) Trophies and medallion issue (item 7. (f) Jan MC)

Letter sent to all Convenors – only Summer Festival and ANC trophies to remain at ABF Headquarters; trophies for ABF events based permanently in their cities remain in the care of the convenor and/or State Association. Medallions to 1st and 2nd in all events and same facility offered to other gold point events.

Medallions to be chosen and ordered.

ACTION DY

(c) OKBridge

Pending

7) *TC Report* – E. Ramshaw

The information from D Anderson re MSN proposal which was discussed at the February MC meeting was tabled.

(a) Player eligibility

Dealt with in 3(a)

(b) Youth event in NZ

Dealt with in 3(d)

- 8) *Legal Counsel's Report*
No report. EM on sick leave
- (a) Spring Nationals Incident
Letters sent by EM to various parties.
- 9) *ABF Secretariat Report – V Brockwell*
Report tabled
- 10) *General Business*
A lengthy discussion ensued re the AGM. Letters from States reviewed. Committee structure discussed and possibility of introduction of a constitutional review.
- 11) *Meeting Close*
11.45PM

Management Committee Minutes
Sunday 11th March 2000
Rydges Canberra Hotel

The meeting commenced at 4PM

Present

K McDonald (Chair), T Brown, D Yovich, EH Ramshaw, JH Arkinstall and V Brockwell (Minute Secretary)

Presidents Meeting

To be held at the Qantas Lounge, Sydney Airport on Saturday 20th May 2000.
V Brockwell to write a letter of invitation to all State Presidents also advocating the use of the Corporate Traveller. Corporate Traveller to be advised of the names.

ACTION VB

Management Committee Meetings

The next meeting will be 8-9 April in Sydney.
Then on Sunday 21st May following the Presidents Meeting in Sydney.
Then 30 July in Brisbane at the conclusion of the ANC. The probable venue is QCBC.

Youth Club

The ABF will set up one Youth Club throughout Australia with one Club number.
Each member of the Youth Club would need to complete an entry form proposed by the teacher and submitted to the youth coordinators in each State.
No masterpoints will be awarded to Youth Club members except if they play in an event or congress that awards masterpoints.

CARDS Proposal

JA given approval to draft a formal proposal. However, the item was deferred and will be an agenda item for the meeting 8/9 April in Sydney. **ACTION DY**

The meeting closed at 4.30PM