

**Minutes (Short)**  
**Management Committee Meeting.**  
**26 Blair Street, Bondi. 16/17 September, 2000.**

The meeting commenced at 10.30AM.

**1. Present.**

K McDonald, J Arkinstall, D Yovich, E Ramshaw, T Brown, V Brockwell (Minute Secretary).

Apology. E Magner.

**2. Confirmation of the Meeting 30 July 2000**

The minutes were discussed at length. The Secretary to note amendments. **ACTION DY**

*Item 4c.*

DY to confirm the arrangements of transporting the medallions from Perth to ABFHQ.

Third place medallions for ABPC engraved. To be distributed by VB to one partner of each pair. **ACTION DY/VB**

*Item 4d.*

No problem remaining with tender process for 2001 dealing. Successful tenders not to be disclosed. Correspondence concerning the Summer Festival tender document for 2002 to be sent to E Magner for her legal opinion. **ACTION DY/EM.**

*Item 5a.*

Reactivation fee to be as J Hansen suggests. New members fee \$6. To be publicised through President's column in ABF Newsletter. **ACTION KM**

*Item 5b.*

BFACT loan repaid with interest.

Letters advising distribution of Summer Festival profit to be sent to BFACT and Canberra Bridge Club. **ACTION DY.**

*Item 6b.*

Chairman of TC authorised to organize travel to TC meetings (1-day) at minimum cost using any airline.

*Item 7c.*

Entry for the Charity Event was a total of 68.5 tables (44.5 Tuesday, 34 Wednesday).

J Hansen suggested reduction of his fee to \$600 (approved). Participation in any future events to be discussed as they occur. **ACTION DY**

*Item 8d.*

Summer Festival Mixed teams trophy returned to TB who will send it to VB.

Minutes of meeting 30 July 2000 confirmed and accepted.

### **3) Matters arising**

- a) Cards proposal. P Marston to address the meeting on Sunday.
- b) Paper on ABF helpers. Deferred to October meeting.
- c) Requirement for ABF event convenors. Refer to Treasurer's Report, item 5a.
- d) Encyclopaedia request from Truscott. Refer to item 6c

### **4. Presidents Report.**

- a) P Marston request. Approach to be discussed later.
- b) Krochmalik issue. Resolved.

### **5. Treasurer's Report**

(Deferred until Sunday).

- a) GST issues and convener's responsibilities noted.
- b) Bunbury BC. Dealt with
- c) BFACT loan repaid
- d) NSWBA loan. Treasurer to check date for review of interest rate on loan **ACTION TB**
- e) Newsletter costs. TB to write to W Scott re reduction of Newsletter costs. The implication of inconvenience was noted if the printing/distribution of the Newsletter was moved from Adelaide. **ACTION TB**
- f) TB obtained a quote of \$3200 p.a. from travel insurance experts, "Covermore" on a blanket cover for players competing overseas and people attending meetings within Australia. Decision deferred.
- g) VBA. KM to write to VBA re the refund on the VCC. **ACTION KM**
- h) ANC. ER to bill any State Associations attracting ANC fines. **ACTION ER**
- i) ACCC. It was decided to refer the letter of 18 August from ACCC to General Counsel. **ACTION DY**

### **6. Secretary's Report**

- a) Web development and associated issues. Committee happy with the web page progress. DY looking at an on-line entry facility to events provided by OzeMail. This is a free service except for the bank charges. **ACTION DY**

e-Bridge

VB to send 2001 calendar to E Bridge (Drew Cannell) with a note that bulletins can be downloaded from the ABF site. **ACTION VB**

Following complaints of slow provision of results to the ABF web site, DY to discuss with Technology Committee a proposal that the scorer could be paid a fee to post results within 2 hours of session completion. **ACTION DY**

b) ABF Newsletter. DY to repeat request for mailing list and reinforce previous advice that accounts must not be contra-ed. **ACTION DY**

c) Encyclopaedia. T Bourke provided the list of current entries and ER sorted these in to potential deletions and potential remainees. The list of potential additions was presented. The criteria used for inclusion are: represent Australia in WBF or PABF twice from 1995 or once from 1995 and once earlier; senior representatives once only; editors; authors; Australian Gold Grand Masters.

Exclusions: captain; deceased; administrator: president: junior.

The additions to be sent to Truscott with a note to delete the 20 names on the deletion list if space was not available. Assuming all are deleted and added there are 53 entries for the new edition. VB to collect bios from ER's list. **ACTION ER/VB**

d). Summer Festival profit sharing dealt with

e).A Bach residency. DY to write to A Bach requesting a response to his previous enquiry within 21 days. **ACTION DY**

f) WBF Women's Committee. Dealt with.

g) In response to a request from NZCBA, M Mayer was cleared to attempt to represent New Zealand.

## **7. Tournament Committee Report**

a) ER tabled the draft TC Minutes of the meeting of 15<sup>th</sup> August.

- Detail of the format for Dick Cummings Blue Ribbon Pairs accepted.
- Seniors circuit accepted. ER to reconsult TC members urgently re age limit proposal.
- GNOT accepted. New Zealand participants accepted.
- Playoff 2002. A suggestion that travel to the 2002 Playoffs be only partially subsidised. Decided that the *status quo* would be maintained.
- The suggestion of a Butler format, in accordance with players' suggestions to lay on the table. Note to go with the TC minutes pointing out that the format is still undecided.

TC Minutes accepted subject to qualifications noted above.

b. Charity event – resolved – refer to #2 item 7c.

- c. 2001 Z7 Playoff. Dates (12-16 April) for the Christchurch venue approved.
- d. Butler format in Brisbane deferred to next TC meeting
- e. Franchise fee for PQP events deferred to next MC meeting
- f. Stern Calcutta – awaiting further discussion from D Stern.
- g. Seniors Playoff for 2001 approved.

The meeting closed at 5.30PM. A discussion about the Cards proposal took place during the evening to clarify the ABF approach to P Marston’s proposal.

The Sunday meeting commenced at 9.25AM

Item 7 (Tournament Committee Report) continued.  
f) ANC

The MC reaffirmed the principle that the host state must use the services of the Tournament Unit at the approved rates specified below.

**Costs to the Event**

Chair of Appeals Committee	Travel reimbursement <i>Per diem</i> of \$45x16 days
Floor Manager	Travel reimbursement <i>Per diem</i> of \$45x16 days Fee of \$20 per day
Chairman of Tournament Unit	Travel reimbursement <i>Per diem</i> of \$45x16 days
Chief Scorer	Travel reimbursement <i>Per diem</i> of \$45x16 days Fee of \$100 a day for scoring
Chief Tournament Director	Travel reimbursement <i>Per diem</i> of \$45x16 days Fee of \$300 per day

**Note:**  
All positions include accommodation and any GST implications are a cost to the event.

Cards Proposal (refer to items 3a and 4a)

P Marston arrived to address the meeting at 12 noon. A lengthy discussion took place on previous correspondence. A proposal would be ready for the March AGM to be circulated with the agenda and meeting papers. The MC will hold further discussions at its October meeting.

### **8. General Counsel**

a) An interim report from EM re an ethics matter arising from the ANC was acknowledged. It was noted that, the QBA regulations applied to the ANC, not ABF Regulations as stated in the report. Await developments. **ACTION EM/DY**

### **9. Correspondence**

- a) Summer Festival dealing. Dealt with.
- b) Quittner issues. Dealt with
- c) Letter to Scudder re Summer Festival profit sharing. Dealt with.
- d) ANC raffles. Dealt with.

### **10 General business**

a) Scudder request re GST implications on BFACT payment. To be calculated on the masterpoint charge excluding GST. The question of whether GST applies to the BFACT payment to be referred with D Walker. **ACTION TB**

b) ANC helpers. Deferred until October meeting.

c) Convenors fees. Deferred until October meeting.

d) J Hansen. Remuneration increase of 3% (in line with CPI) from 1 August 2000 approved. **ACTION DY**

e) NZCBA correspondence.

(i) WBF Ladies Committee. DY to write to NZCBA saying that Margaret Bourke had been appointed but no contact had been made in Maastricht. **ACTION DY.**

(ii) KM to write to NZCBA that Australia is agreeable to a proposed Zonal meeting to be held in Canberra when J Wignall will attend the 2001 Summer Festival. **ACTION KM**

(iii) WBF levies. KM to write to NZCBA re proposal that the WBF increase it's levy to US\$1 per (NCBO) player. **ACTION KM**

d) Committee reports. Reports noted with thanks from Library Committee, Masterpoint Committee and Marketing Committee. VB gave a verbal report on behalf of the Chairman of the Directors Accreditation Committee that, following a discussion with the

Chairman of the Tournament Committee, approval was given for Alan Gibson to be evaluated at the 2001 Gold Coast Congress instead of the 2001 Summer Festival.

e) Approved that one free entry to the South-West Pacific Teams at the 2001 Summer Festival be available to the New Zealand youth team as a team and as ratified by the NZCBA. VB to inform J Scudder. Account (50% youth discount) to be sent to ABF Treasurer. **ACTION VB**

The meeting closed at 2.20PM

**MEETING OF THE JAMES O’SULLIVAN FOUNDATION**  
**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September**  
**26 Blair Street, Bondi.**

The meeting commenced at 2.20PM

**Present:**

K McDonald (Chair), T Brown, D Yovich, E Ramshaw, J Arkinstall, V Brockwell  
(Minute Secretary).

**Minutes of the previous meeting**

Accepted.

**Business arising.**

None

The current JOS Foundation balance is \$1,443.00. The rest of the monies are out on loan.

Queries on the repayment schedules had been received from the Sunnybank and Illawarra Clubs. Don Walker would prepare a formula for each loan when he receives all the terms of each loan from TB who will advise the clubs. ACTION TB

(6% calculated 6-monthly in arrears and interest will be reduced for capital payments in excess of the normal payment).

There being no further business, the Trustees meeting closed at 2.30PM.