

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF AUCKLAND BOWLS INC  
HELD AT MT EDEN BOWLING CLUB  
On Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2018 at 1.15pm**

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**Present:** Bruce Anderson (BA) - Chair, Michael Feek (MF), Jill Fraser (JF), Murray Dorreen (MD), Greame Scott (GS), Helen Blick (HB), Esther Eu (EE); Phil Vyver (PV).

**Apologies:** Nil

**[Minutes of the Previous Monthly Board Meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> August 2018](#)**

The minutes of the Board meeting held on **27<sup>th</sup> August** were approved as a true and accurate record.  
**(MF / EE – unanimous)**

**Matters arising from the minutes:**

- Ellerslie – GS to follow up. PV provided an update following a discussion he had with the club VP.
- FBT – with IRD and now awaiting a response.
- Coaching – Still to complete
- Online Entries – some feedback noted uncertainty with this at some clubs. PV noted that an alternative will be available to online entry and the new process will be fully communicated to clubs and players through the website, Friday Flash, Facebook etc.
- Social Bowls3Five – no information package has been received from Bowls NZ as yet.

**[Correspondence](#)**

Inwards and outwards tabled.

**Matters arising:**

- Nil

It was moved that the inwards correspondence be received and the outwards approved.  
**(BA / HB – unanimous)**

**[Finance Report](#)**

PV led discussion about the August 2018 Financial Accounts.

**Matters arising:**

- Review of Events Budget – the start made by the Finance Committee was noted. It was agreed this was an important topic and the work needs to be completed prior to the renewal of the budget next year. A discussion was held on ways to boost income and reduce expenditure.

**Moved...** That the financial report be received and accepted **(BA / MF – unanimous)**

**[Events and Operations Report](#)**

**Matters Arising:**

- It was agreed that the introduction of a Masters (Over 70's) was a good idea. To be introduced as a trial on the weekend of the Pairs in December.
- It was noted that Paulene Murdoch has resigned from this committee.
- WPOS – the format and numbers playing to be reviewed prior to the next event.

**Moved...** That the events and operations report be received and accepted **(HB / JF – unanimous)**

## Marketing update

### **Matters Arising:**

- Have a go day – list of participating clubs and events was noted.
- Live streaming will occur this season. A small trial was held at the Women's Singles over the weekend.

**Moved...** That the marketing report be received and accepted **(MD / JF – unanimous)**

## Club Support Report

### **Matters Arising:**

- Interviews to be held this week for the advertised development positions
- New Lynn – It was agreed that a discussion should be held with the club to understand progress with the development and if they need any support.
- Pringle Park – Further meeting to be held to discuss progress towards signing the Club Development Agreement. If the club did want to sign the agreement, then a condition would be included giving them 12 months-notice to change their Constitution to allow for both men and women members.
- Royal Oak – The initiative with schools was very positive and Alastair should be congratulated for the work to date.
- Group 5 - It was noted that the first approach should be to the individual clubs to understand their needs first and see where that leads in terms of a group relationship.

**Moved...** That the club support report be received and accepted **(MD / JF – unanimous)**

## BWCT

### **Matters Arising:**

- GS to be put in contact with Marco Management staff.

**Moved...** That the BWCT report be received and accepted **(GS / MD – unanimous)**

## Presidents Report

The report was received with thanks. No matters arising. **(HB / MF – unanimous)**

## General Items for Discussion

### **Covered Greens Report and Discussion:**

The report as presented by PV was discussed and the following resolutions agreed:

1. Any Auckland Bowls funding of covered greens is to be met from the Rawhiti Fund only.
2. For specific projects funded or partly funded by the Rawhiti Fund, provision to ensure longer term sustainability of the club and its activities is required.
3. The initial projects to be supported with appropriate funding, are Remuera (by loan), and Howick (with support from Council) and begin discussions with Papatoetoe Hunters Corner / Kolmar Charitable Trust to advance that proposal.
4. The Royal Oak and Glen Eden projects be endorsed by Auckland Bowls as suitable locations for a covered green.
5. As other projects arise, consideration will be given to what financial support or endorsements, can be provided by Auckland Bowls through the Rawhiti Fund.
6. The "Auckland Sport Sector: Facilities Priorities Plan 2017" report be circulated to the above-named clubs as a reference document that can be used when formulating their proposals.

**Remuera Covered Green:**

PV and MF provided an update following the meeting held between representatives of the Rawhiti Committee and the Remuera Bowling Club. We are now waiting on an updated proposal from the club. This will be circulated to Board members once received. Discussions by email and/or a special meeting may be required to finalise the recommended level of support for approval by the Rawhiti Committee.

**Howick Covered Green:**

The letter and request for support from Howick Bowling Club was received. Noting the resolutions above it was agreed that PV should send a letter of support for the project. **(BA / MF – unanimous)**

**Club Development Agreements:**

Following discussion, it was moved that the Club Development Agreements for Waiheke and Maraetai Bowling Clubs be approved. **(GS / MD – unanimous)**

**Avondale:**

The decision by the members to sell the assets of the club was noted. It was then agreed that Auckland Bowls would pay the remaining creditors of Avondale Bowling Club to become the sole creditor. Repayment would then be required following the sale of club assets at an interest rate of 7% per annum. **(HB / JF – unanimous)**

**Judicial Hearing:** It was agreed that, based on the Bowls New Zealand advice regarding jurisdiction that Auckland Bowls is required to appoint an Independent committee to hear this matter. Pursuant to Clause 21.2 (d) and 26 of the Auckland Bowls Constitution it was agreed that an independent judicial committee of Keith Berman, Allan Spence and Murray Lander be appointed to hear this matter, with Keith Berman to act as Chairman. If any of the above individuals are unavailable, then George Shaw (Bowls Counties Manukau) should be approached.

**(BA / MF – unanimous)**

**HP Review:**

Pursuant to clause 21.2 (d) of the Auckland Bowls Constitution it was agreed that Sport Auckland will be appointed to lead this review. It was agreed that a suitable terms of reference document should be written to agree the process. PV to circulate the letter to Board members.

**Bowls New Zealand AGM:**

A summary of the meeting was provided. The proposed change to the Membership Fee Structure was defeated, but that the Board was instructed to come back to a future SGM with a modified proposal.

It was agreed that we should assist with this process and identify a solution that would work for Auckland Bowls that we could send to Bowls NZ. Following discussion, it was agreed that PV's suggestion of a fixed fee for 3 years, based on current payments + CPI should be researched further. PV to report back to the November board meeting.

**General Business**

**Presidents Day** – It was agreed that JF / BA / EU / MF would represent Auckland Bowls at this event.

**Insurance** – It was noted at the Bowls NZ AGM that the insurance deal was also available for centres to consider. PV to follow up.

**D Staines Appeal to Bowls NZ** – PV to follow up again to find out where this was at.

**Counties Manukau Contract** – PV noted that the Board of Bowls Counties Manukau is currently reviewing its financial position. It was agreed that we can present to them a revised contract for a reduced fee and workload. It was also agreed that a delegation of PV / JF / MD should meet with representatives of Bowls Counties Manukau to initiate discussions for a long-term solution.

**The Next Meeting will be held:** Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October at 1.00pm

With no further business, the meeting closed at 5.00pm

Signed Chairman \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_