

**MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
OF BOWLS NZ GREENKEEPERS ASSOCIATION INC
Held on 16th February 2022, commencing at 7pm at Trinity Hotel Wellington**

PRESENT: Robert Gibson (President), Maurice Symes (Secretary/Treasurer), Marty Webb, Howard Ivory, Jamie Ferris, Ron Sabin, James Williams,

APOLOGIES: Graham Fisher, Steve Beel (BNZ Delegate)

Moved: R Gibson Seconded: M Webb Carried

MINUTES: Minutes of meeting held 25th June 2021 were approved as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Moved: R Sabin Seconded: J Ferris Carried

MATTERS ARISING:

1. M Symes told the meeting that our funding application for ongoing training and conference expenses were turned down by Lion Foundation
2. M Symes confirmed that Taranaki would host the 2022 North Island Conference at the West End Bowling club on the 25th & 26th July.
3. R Gibson told the meeting that Southland Greenkeepers would host the South Island Conference at the Ascot Hotel on 27th & 28th June.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Inward:

- (a) From Pelorus Trust notification that our application for travel & accommodation costs for BNZGA executive to attend the 2022 North Island Conferences has been approved
- (b) From Companies office requesting information for the annual financial statement and details for the improvement of societies register.
- (c) From Kapiti Coast Bowls notifying that they have lost another club and that in the future will not be part of BNZGA and pay affiliation fees.
- (d) From Flight Centre with quotes for accommodation for the North Island Conference.
- (e) From Bowls NZ notifying BNZGA that they had resigned Prebble Seeds for a further two years.
- (f) From Bowls NZ results between Bowls NZ & Prebbles. 2021-22 return BNZGA is \$23,125.00 after paying half of the NZSTI contract price.
- (g) From James Williams his resignation from the board of BNZGA stating that due to his change in career and circumstances and as he no longer being involved as a greenkeeper. He remains available to help in greenkeeper training and available to assist when required.
R Gibson stated that due to this resignation we now be able to fill the vacancy James has left in Auckland, Nth Harbour and Counties. He went on to say James will be missed and wishes him well for his new career
- (h) Nominations for executive for the board of BNZGA were received from R Gibson (President), J Ferris (V President), M Symes (Secretary/Treasurer), R Sabin, M Webb, G Fisher, H Ivory (Executive) Further nominations received from D Stevenson (Hawkes Bay) and T Rickerby (Nth Harbour)

Outward:

- (a) Application to Pelorus Trust for 7500.00 to cover for travel & accommodation for BNZGA executive to attend the 2022 North Island Conference
- (b) To Prebbles Turf World – Thanking them for their continued sponsorship as agreed with Bowls NZ
- (c) To Incorporated Societies copies of our 2021-22 Balance sheet.

- (d) To Companies office copy of our resolution and changes to our constitution and attaching a clean copy of updated
- (e) To NZSTI thanking them for the deliverables for the “Competency” framework. Also confirming that Robert Gibson, Ron Sabin, Marty Webb, Maurice Symes, James Williams, Howard Ivory and Graham Fisher would be the trainers for the Trainer programme.
- (f) To Bowls NZ a copy of the updated BNZGA “Strategic Plan 2022-2026”
- (g) To Bowls West Coast a support letter for them to apply for funding for fertilisers and chemicals.
- (h) Letters to Chris Lander (Bowls NZ), D Howard (NZSTI delegate), K Rose (Primary ITO), L Robertson (NZSTI) to attend BGM meeting July 2022
- (i) Notices to all Centres giving BGM meeting notices, voting papers, diary order forms, requests for database info, Award forms for long service and merit awards and Greenkeeper of the Year nomination form
- (j) Letters to BNZGA Executive regarding the BGM meeting to be held 25th July 2pm.

Moved: M Webb

Seconded: H Ivory

Carried

MATTERS ARISING: Nil

TREASURERS REPORT:

M Symes presented the statement of accounts on the financial position of the association at end of December 2021 showing a current balance of \$8,397.03.00

Outstanding debtors as at 30th December 2021 is \$6,875.00

The current balance of investments is \$42,932.38.00 Savings A/C 01 Conference balance 565.69

Moved: M Symes

Seconded: R Sabin

Carried

MATTERS ARISING:

1. M Symes advised the meeting that some centres are still to pay affiliation fees and diary costs.
2. The meeting agreed for M Symes to apply for funding to run the upcoming “Train the Trainer” training course along with support for running the North & South Island Greenkeepers conferences 2022.

Moved: R Gibson

Seconded: M Webb

Carried

3. M Symes reported to the meeting that following a conversation with Bowls NZ the diary 2021-22 will be organised and printed by Bowls NZ.
4. M Symes stated that his Honourium has still not been paid in full for 2020-21 and asked that the following year be increased due to all the extra work he has completed and expects this to increase even further. R Gibson suggested that the increase be left until the BGM meeting 2022.

Moved: R Gibson

Seconded: R Sabin

Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. R Gibson gave a report on the two days of the Train the Trainer programme. Robert also told the meeting that Lindsay Robertson (NZSTI) is to advertise the training programme nationally to help

raise support from clubs and training greenkeepers. For BNZGA this is a significant and strategic investment, intended to address the diminishing pool of professional bowls greenkeepers

2. M Symes was given the task of organising the 2022-23 diary. M Symes agreed on the basis that he gets support from executive members to find advertisers. M Symes told the meeting it takes many hours to prepare the diary for printing and getting proofs from advertisers.
3. H Ivory recommended that the mileage rates be increased from 50cents per km to 80cents
Moved H Ivory Seconded R Gibson Carried
4. Discussion took place regarding the issue of executive membership and changes required to our constitution. This will be discussed at our next executive meeting

Conferences

1. South Island Conference to be in Invercargill - Ascot Hotel on 27th & 28th June 2022
2. North Island Conference to be in Taranaki – West End BC on 25th & 26th July 2022 (BGM Meeting)

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.25pm.

The next BGM/Executive meeting to be held at 5pm on 25th July at the West End Bowling Club.

Confirmed as a true and correct record

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