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**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING
OF BOWLS NEW ZEALAND**

**HELD BY
PHONE CONFERENCE**

**ON
FRIDAY, 15TH MARCH 2019
AT
12.00 (noon)**

1. OPENING AND WELCOME

The Bowls NZ Chair (Tony Lepper) opened the meeting by welcoming those delegates present to the Special General Meeting, with a special welcome to Bowls NZ President Jeanette Sinclair, Vice President Robin Jefferson & Board Member Allan Smith as observers. The Chair thanked CEO Mark Cameron and Bowls NZ staff member Martin Mackenzie for setting up the meeting and distributing the documentation. The Chair then called for the Delegates to reply to the roll call as being present to the meeting.

2. PRESENT

Delegates:

Region 1 – Garry Banks, Helen Blick.

Region 2 – Guy Diston, Rangi Johnson, Gerry Macgregor, Grant Hassall.

Region 3 – Graeme Soper, Bill Fowlie, Ruth Grant, Brian Barker.

BOWLS NZ BOARD: Tony Lepper (Chair), Jeanette Sinclair (President), Robin Jefferson (Vice President), Allan Smith.

ALSO PRESENT: Bowls NZ CEO Mark Cameron, Bowls NZ Staff Martin Mackenzie.

3. APOLOGIES

Michael Feek

Apologies accepted

MOVED: Bill Fowlie
CARRIED Unanimously

SECONDED: Garry Banks

4. QUORUM

The Chair confirmed that there was quorum of members/delegates and the meeting could proceed. The minimum of two delegates per region were in attendance.

Region One - 2/4

Region two - 4/4

Region Three - 3/4

5. MOTIONS

The Chair spoke briefly to the proposed changes to the constitution before passing to CEO Mark Cameron to read the change that had been sent to each delegate prior to the meeting.

Mark asked that both changes to the constitution be discussed separately and then the two Motions voted on.

1) Maximum Term of Board Members.

The constitution be amended to read:

"Subject to this Constitution, the term of office for Board Members (other than the President and Vice-President) shall be for a period of three (3) years. Board Members (other than the President and Vice-President) shall be eligible for re-election for up to two (2) further terms. No Board member may serve for more than nine (9) consecutive years".

The CEO through the Chair asked if there were any questions, which there were none.

2) Delegate Voting at Bowls New Zealand General Meetings.

The Bowls NZ Board recommends (under DELEGATES and VOTING: Rules 8 and 22) to replace the three regions with the 27 centres, in respect of delegates and voting at a Bowls New Zealand AGM. There are currently three regions with up to four delegates per region entitled to vote under the current Bowls New Zealand Constitution. It is proposed that instead of the three regions, the 'right to vote' belongs to the Centres. Accordingly, clause 8 "Regions" has been removed from the constitution, clause 22.5 "Delegates and Observers" and clause 22.6 "Voting" have been altered to reflect centres acting and voting as delegates.

The CEO through the Chair then asked if there were any questions, from which the following points were noted:

- Gerry McGregor (Wellington) asked if Bowls NZ will be covering all the travel & accommodation to the AGM in the future, for all 27 Centre delegates. Bowls NZ

