

BOWLS NEW ZEALAND GREENKEEPING ASSOCIATION Inc

MINUTES OF THE 17th BIENNIAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE BOWLS NEW ZEALAND GREENKEEPING ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED

Held at the Ocean Lodge, Nelson 15th July 2018 commencing at 5pm in conjunction with the South Island Greenkeepers Conference 2018

Present: R Gibson (President), M Symes (Secretary/Treasurer) + Executive members N Bell, N Cowie, R Sabin, E Allison, H Ivory, and D Howard (NZSTI), M Cameron (CEO BNZ)

Voting rights were registered to the following delegates: N Bell (Auckland), N Cowie (Sth Canterbury), M Symes (Marlborough), R Sabin (Canterbury), R Gibson (Dunedin) H Ivory (Wellington) M Christensen (Thames Valley) and 12 delegates

Apologies: M Webb, S Beel (BNZ Delegate), K Rose (Primary ITO)

Moved M Christensen Seconded: N Cowie Carried.

Minutes:

The minutes of the 16th Biennial General Meeting held at Sky Tower Parnell Room Level 4, commencing at 3pm in conjunction with the NZ Turf Conference were read and confirmed as true and correct record.

Moved R Gibson Seconded: R Sabin Carried.

Correspondence:

Inward:

- (a) Were taken as read at the executive meeting

Outward:

- (a) Letter sent to Bowls NZ regarding our grant due for 2018-19 along with budget
- (b) Application to NZ Community Trust for 7900.00 to cover for travel & accommodation for BNZGA executive to attend the 2018 Greenkeeper Conferences
- (c) Notices to all Centres giving voting papers, diary order forms, requests for database info, Award forms for long service and merit awards

REPORTS:

Presidents report:

R Gibson presented his Presidents which had been previously circulated to all delegates with BGM Agenda.

Moved R Gibson Seconded: M Christensen Carried.

Matters arising: Nil.

Bowls NZ Report: M Cameron (BNZ) spoke to the meeting and asked that it be noted the appreciation Bowls NZ have for all Bowls Greenkeepers

NZSTI report: D Howard from NZSTI presented his report at the executive meeting and asked that it be added to the BGM meeting report

Matters arising: Nil

BALANCE SHEET and STATEMENT of ACCOUNTS:

M Symes tabled the audited balance sheet for approval

Moved M Symes Seconded: R Gibson Carried.

Matters arising:

1. M Symes reported that BNZGA is in receipt of the 4000.00 grant from Bowls NZ
2. M Symes reported that our investments have been increased to 13,000.00 for each investment
3. M Symes suggested that with the assumed extra income we need to have a finance committee to administer our finances.

Authorisation of Expense and Honorariums

N Cowie spoke of all the work that M Symes carries out on behalf of BNZGA and his remuneration is minimal. He asked for support from the meeting to increase his honorarium from 2000.00 to 2500.00.

M Cameron (BNZ) told the meeting that due to the extra workload expected the amount of the honorarium may need reviewing at each executive meeting

Moved: N Cowie Seconded: R Gibson Carried

NOTICE OF MOTIONS:

The proposed motion to alter the constitution of Bowls New Zealand Greenkeepers Assn Incorporated was put to the meeting.

Rule 35

This Constitution shall be amended, added to, or rescinded only by resolution in that behalf passed by two-thirds majority of the Delegates from its constituent members present and voting at an Biennial General Meeting

Explanation

This motion seeks to change the structure of the executive (Rule 16) so that as a minimum there are always two representatives of Region One, Region Two and Region Three respectively. To ensure this happens, the Association when selecting 'other members' (16 f) must have regard for the regional representation of the proposed executive committee.

The other change made was acknowledging that Bowls NZ and the NZSTI would nominate their respective representatives, not the Association.

The Bowls New Zealand CEO is aware and supportive of this proposed motion.

Motion - Rule 16: Executive

THAT Rule 16 be revoked and replaced with the following (with changes from the existing Rule 16 underlined or struck out for ease of reference):

16. EXECUTIVE

The Executive shall consist of:

- a) President
- b) Deputy-President
- c) Immediate Past-President
- d) Secretary
- e) Treasurer
- f) Five (5) other Members
- g) There can be dual membership in terms of the officers of the Organisation i.e. Vice President can also be one of the Region delegates.

Moved: R Gibson Seconded: M Webb Carried

REMITTS: Nil

AFFILIATION FEE:

M Symes asked for support to increase the 2018-19 affiliation fee for clubs to increase to 20.00
That the affiliation fee for clubs increase to \$20.00 per club, minimum \$100.00 per association

Moved R Gibson Seconded: E Allison Carried.

It was agreed that the diary for 2018-19 remain at \$20.00 per copy but in turn be added to
affiliation fee. All clubs to be charged \$40.00 which includes for a diary as well as the fee.

Moved R Gibson Seconded: M Symes Carried.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2018-2020:

PRESIDENT:	Robert Gibson	Dunedin	elected unopposed
VICE PRESIDENT:	Martin Webb	Northland	elected unopposed
SECRETARY:	Maurice Symes	Marlborough	elected unopposed
TREASURER:	Maurice Symes	Marlborough	elected unopposed

ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Following a ballot to find the numbers required as per our constitution it was confirmed:

Nick Bell	Auckland	duly elected
Steve Beel	Bay of Plenty	duly elected
Eric Allison	Canterbury	duly elected
Ron Sabin	Canterbury	duly elected
Howard Ivory	Wellington	duly elected
Steve Beel	(Bowls NZ delegate)	
David Howard	(NZSTI delegate)	

The positions of the Executive are now filled as per our constitution changes.

Moved: M Symes Seconded: R Gibson Carried

ELECTION OF PATRON

Warwick Graham (Life Member of BNZGA) as the Patron of the association.

Moved R Sabin Seconded: R Gibson Carried.

AUDITOR:

D Philpott & Associates of Christchurch current auditors of the NZBGA be retained

Moved M Symes Seconded: R Gibson Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Level 3 National Certificate – Incentive 90.00 per qualification be retained.
2. Diary printing to commence by mid-August with delivery to associations by 1st week in September.

3. North Island Conference 2019 to be in Wellington on 24th & 25th June 2019
4. South Island Conference 2019 to be held in Oamaru on 29th & 30th July 20019
5. Four extra field days to be purchased with NZSTI. M Symes to write to NZSTI.

MATTERS ARISING:

1. BNZGA Incentive to remain in place until further discussion at the December Executive meeting.
2. Diary Orders are down on last year's orders so we need to get new price from the printers

REPORTS:

1. The regional reports were supplied by 4 regions and those not received need to be with M Symes as soon as possible. They will in turn be passed to H Ivory for adding to his newsletter No. 6

There being no further business the discussion was closed at 6.00pm

Confirmed as a true and correct record

Chairman

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