



BOWLS BAY OF PLENTY INCORPORATED

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Bowls Bay of Plenty Incorporated held at the Rotorua Bowling Club at 10.00 a.m. on Sunday 9th August 2020.

Welcome

The Centre President Mr Ross Harvey opened the meeting and welcomed the Delegates, Board Members and observers.

Obituary

Ross Harvey asked that all present to stand for a moments silence in remembrance for those Bowlers and family members who had passed on during the last year. Special mention of Brendon Neutze

Speaking Rights.

Moved: That speaking rights be accorded to Centre Board Members, the Centre Manager and CEO of Bowls NZ (Mark Cameron).

Moved: Kawerau

Seconded: Taupo

CARRIED

Roll Call

Board Members

Ross Harvey (Chair, President), John Foreman, Diane Smith, Graham Skellern, Derek Kendall, Liz Witton.

Geoff Tuckey (Acting Centre Manager)

Club Delegates

Arawa	Tom MacKenzie, Ian Thompson, Alan McCauley
Bowls Mt Maunganui	Kevin Maxfield, Noel Topp, Keith Arthur
Bowls Tauranga South	Judith Payne, Karin Clarke
Bowls Matua	Chris Neilson, Jim Wilson
Edgecumbe	In recess
Katikati	Not Present
Kawerau	Marcus Merrick, Brian Dixon
Ngongotaha	Lil McGregor, Mere Eden
Ohope	Margaret O'Regan, Jocelyn Jones
Omanu	In Recess
Omokoroa	Ross Harvey, Bill Murphy, Gary Russek
Opotiki	Apologies
Papamoa	Bob Dunning, Lynne Bodger
Reporoa	Ross Henderson, Peter Kelly
Rotorua	Robert Clarke, Conan O'Brien
Rotorua East	Harold Hunt, Rob Bell
Taupo	David Jones, Darrell Purdie
Tauranga	Paul Hunt, Steve Hughes, Marilyn Constantine
Te Puke	Brian Bennett, Bill Reid, Merv Gibbons
Turangi	Not Present
Whakatane	John Foreman, Don Warren, Kathy DEmpster-Rivett

Apologies

Moved That the apologies of Opotiki Club, John Chelley, Peter Joyce, Rod Warrender, and Ken Boyle be sustained

Moved: Matua **Seconded:** Tauranga **CARRIED**

Minutes of the 2019 Bowls BOP AGM.

Moved: That the Minutes of the previous Bowls Bay of Plenty Annual General Meeting held at Rotorua Bowling Club on the 23rd June 2019 with the amendment (Club Delegates – Mini Staite should read Mike Staite) be taken as read.

Moved: Omokoroa **Seconded:** Bowls Tauranga South **CARRIED**

Matters Arising

No matters arising

Moved: That the Minutes be accepted as a true and correct record.

Moved: Bowls Mount Maunganui **Seconded:** Matua **CARRIED**

President's Report

Ross Harvey presented the President's Report highlighting the difficult year of change due to COVID 19 and the loss of some events including the I/C in Wellington. Comment was made also of the loss of the primary sponsor (Ocean Shores Village) and the difficulty in obtaining grants. On the plus side the Representative Teams performed extremely well and entries in tournaments was at a very pleasing level.

Moved: That the Presidents report be adopt.

Moved: Tauranga **Seconded:** Whakatane **CARRIED**

Financial Report

The Financial statement for year ending 31st March 2020 was tabled.

Geoff Tuckey spoke to the financials advising that the surplus was only achieved due to the fact that the I/C was cancelled, and if the event was played the end result would have been in the vicinity of a 9K deficit.

The Budget for 2020/21 was presented. To achieve the budget it will be necessary to secure some grant money and also the urgent need to find a new primary sponsor. Geoff Tuckey commented that obtaining grants and sponsorship for Regional Sports Bodies is now more difficult than ever due to the COVID 19 situation and demand on funds.

Moved: That the Financial Statement year ending 31 March 2019 be adopted.

Moved: Matua **Seconded:** Tauranga **CARRIED**

Club Membership Levies

Moved: That the Bowls BoP club membership levy be increased by \$1.00 for 2020/21 to be \$26.00.

Moved: Arawa **Seconded:** Bowls Tauranga South **CARRIED**

Moved: Reporoa **Seconded:** Omokoroa **CARRIED**

Election of Officers:

Patron/ess.	Jim Wilson	Matua/Bowls Mount Maunganui	duly elected
President	Ross Harvey	Omokoroa	duly elected
Vice President	Diane Smith	Arawa	duly elected

Board Members

Board members serving second year: Liz Witton, Graham Skellern

Nominations Received: John Foreman, Mary Campbell

No further nominations received

As per Rule 19.3 e the Chairperson declared the above duly elected.

CARRIED

Appointment of Reviewer

Moved: That the Board retain the current reviewer – Donald Malpas. Letter of thanks to be sent.

Moved: Bowls Mount Maunganui **Seconded:** Bowls Matua **CARRIED**

Appointment of Centre Solicitor

Moved: As the current Honorary Solicitor passed away during the year the President asked the floor for any suggestion for a replacement. The Board to make an appointment as soon as a suitable replacement is found.

Presidents Re-imbursements

Moved: That the Presidents re-imbursements of expenses figure be \$3,500.00

Moved: Bowls Tauranga South **Seconded:** Kawerau **CARRIED**

General Business

Centre Tournaments: The suggestion that in future Centre Events be restricted to events that lead into the BNZ programme was discussed. This would involve dropping some open tournaments. The suggestion was not supported and no action taken.

Sevens I/C Format: This matter was debated at length with many and varied views on how the event should be in the future. After much discussion:

Moved: The 7s remain as a weekend event for the 20/21 season and The Board to co-opt a committee to investigate and report on a possible round robin format for subsequent years.

Moved: Tauranga **Seconded** Bowls Mount Maunganui **CARRIED**

Board Nominations: The concept of Divisions being required to nominate a person for the Board was discussed. The idea was generally supported and it was agreed that a remit be submitted to next years AGM to formally adopt this approach.

As the Board still has vacancies following the elections, Divisions that had a person that they wished to recommend to the board should do so as soon as possible and the Board had the power to co-opt them for the current year.

Moved: Divisions to look for and advise the Board of members prepared to serve on the Board.

Moved: Ohope **Seconded** Kawerau **CARRIED**

Centre Junior C of C Event: Last years decision to replace the Junior C of C event with an Open Junior event was discussed. The delegates agreed that the Open event should be run as well as the C of C event.

Moved: The Centre junior singles C of C event be re-instated.

Moved: Reporoa **Seconded** Arawa **CARRIED**

Centre Voting Rights: Ross Henderson (Reporoa) withdrew the requested item on the agenda to amend the constitution to give all member clubs equal voting rights. Some discussion did follow and the Chairman asked that if this issue is to be considered a formal remit should be submitted to next years AGM.

2019-2020 Champ of Champ Events: Ngongotaha raised the issue of Centre re-scheduling the 2019-2020 C of C events that had been cancelled due to COVID-19 on the grounds that they had been dis-

advantaged. The Chairman reported that the re-scheduled events had been extremely well received and supported. The delegates supported the decision and it was agreed that there was no compulsion to enter, but those that wished to play should be allowed to play.

Scheduled Champ of Champ Events 2020-21: Ngongotaha raised the issue of the latest 20-21 calendar scheduling Champ of Champ events later than in the past. (Now April/May). This was discussed and indicates the growing problem of increased events to be scheduled into the same number of available weekends. Geoff Tuckey explained the problem and commented that it is not possible to continue adding event without consequences. Future years planning needs to address the growing problem which will only get worse until all parties agree that the problem exists and agree to a new approach.

The Meeting closed at 12.40.p.m.

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