# NEW ZEALAND INDOOR BOWLS (INC) MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD AT THE MIRAMAR GOLF CLUB, WELLINGTON 8 MAY 2010 COMMENCING AT 9 45AM.

**PRESENT:** Trevor Rayner (in the chair), David Edgar, Delwyn Hughes, Barry Chapman, Martin Nordqvist, Stewart Chilton & Ngaire Drake.

# **APOLOGIES:**

Viv Hudson- overseas on leave

### **MINUTES:**

That the minutes of the meeting held on 13 February 2010 as circulated, were taken as read and approved.

Nordqvist/Chapman Carried

# MATTERS ARISING NOT COVERED LATER: NII FINANCE:

That the Statement of Accounts as at 7 May 2010, be accepted and cheque numbers 5152-5177 plus automatic payments be approved.

Chilton/Nordqvist Carried

It was reported that funding was down \$33,000 on previous years. 40,000 had been received from the Lion Foundation, and \$10,000 from NZCT. No decision had been received regarding the application to Pub Charity. It was decided to reinvest the investment with UDC for a term of 14 months at 5.4%.

# **CORRESPONDENCE:**

#### Sent to District Secretaries 16 February

- Minutes of Executive Meeting 13 February with financial position.
- Sparc Investment Schedule
- Revised rules for all 2010 National events.
- Nomination forms and information for Academy and Masters events and Island teams
- Code of conduct
- Updated list of District Secretaries
- Schedule of Tournament and AGM Expenses
- Development fund information and application form
- District Secretary and DPO's list for updating
- Draft Constitution for discussion and feedback

# **Sent to District Secretaries 18 March**

- National Championships input sheets and instructions for completion
- Publicity form

District Umpire Secretaries were sent Minutes from Executive meeting, examination information and copy of draft constitution

#### LION FOUNDATION NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS:

Final entries are:

Singles 715; Pairs 450; Triples 270; Fours 210 TOTAL 1216 Trevor Rayner said the number of entries was on par with those received over the past 10 years and it is pleasing to see that while the numbers of affiliated bowlers continues to fall the numbers attending the Nationals continues to remain fairly stable. Bowlers are thanked for this

Controller David Edgar presented a Master Plan which reflected the following:

Singles: Three sessions of 80 mats and 1 session of 46 mats.

Times are 8:30am, 11:40am, 2:50pm and 6pm

Pairs: Two sessions of 80 mats and 1 session of 20mats.

Times are 8:30am, 12:15pm and 4pm.

Triples: One session of 70 mats and one session of 38 mats.

Times are 8:30 am and 12:40pm.

Fours: One session of 70 mats and one session of 14 mats.

Times are 8:30am and 1:40pm

The full draw should be posted on the website within the next week.

That the reduced quote from Cue TV for \$14,000 plus gst be approved for coverage of the National Championships singles and pairs semi finals and finals.

Chilton/Hughes

Carried

The account for this discounted amount had been received as agreement had been made on advance payment by 15 May 2010.

The importance of giving our game publicity was emphasised and CUE is on more decoders round NZ than most channels as they are on SKY Freeview and now Telstraclear Digital TV. This adds another 100,000 viewers so their total national reach is 2.3 million potential viewers.

# Initial Coverage will be

Sunday 20th June 3pm - 5.30pm Singles Semi Finals & Finals 5.30pm - 8pm Pairs Semi Finals & Finals

There will be numerous replays to be advised later.

The printer was currently finalising copy for the programme and 400 badges had been ordered.

There are limited vacancies in pairs, triples and fours so contact National Office if you have bowlers interested.

That plaques be awarded for all special prizes at the National and not vouchers.

Chilton/Nordqvist

Carried

Yellow bowls will be used for 2 sections in the singles and one for the others plus the last 16 in post section.

Nominations for Academy and Masters Teams had been received as follows.

Northern	Academy	Masters	Southern	Academy	Masters
Ladies	16 (16)	13 (6)		16 (17)	10 (13)
Men	27 (17)	11 (11)		24 (26)	12 (6)

Last year's figures in brackets

# **SOUTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSIPS:**

Canty IBA had advised that entries received were Pairs 113; Triples 64 and Fours 62.

The entire event will be held at the CIBA Hall- 2 sessions in the pairs and 1 each in the fours and triples with 8.30am starts each day.

# **ISLAND TOUR AND NATIONAL EVENTS:**

Accommodation had been arranged. Would districts please advise meal costs for either tour games or National events as soon as possible? It should be noted that especially with the Tour meals that it is quite acceptable for the team to eat at local club /pub if that was the more economical option.

That the North Island team uniform be updated.

Hughes/Edgar

Carried

#### NZ MIXED FOURS:

Due to confusion regarding catering expectations at Zone finals full details from the host district is currently being sought. Once known details will be sent to the other districts attending. In the past some districts have been happy to provide for free and others have charged.

# **PUBLICITY REPORT:**

The first preview of the National Championships had been prepared and had been posted on the website and sent to the media and District Publicity Officers. This covered the number of entries and whether the defending champions were attending and also other notable entries. A more in depth preview will be sent out later.

The Academy and Masters Teams will be announced on May 26<sup>th</sup> on the website and through the media.

Bowlers will be able to keep up to date throughout the national championships via the website <a href="https://www.nzindoorbowls.co.nz">www.nzindoorbowls.co.nz</a>

# **COACHING REPORT:**

It was pleasing to note that Michael Lawson would be continuing at Otago University 21-23 May and the course was full with 30 students.

It was agreed that a letter be written to National Coach Craig Whiteside reporting the good feedback that had been received after his seminars which had been held in Hamilton, North Harbour, Palmerston North, Masterton, Gisborne and Blenheim.

Trevor Rayner will talk to Craig at the Nationals about his further involvement next year. It is important for the sport that there is a good coaching structure in place and it is recognised that dates for seminars should be advised by September so Districts can schedule them in their calendars. The question of having the coaching seminars included as part of a more formal NZIB Road show was discussed and will be debated further. Districts are invited to advise their thoughts on a Road show promoting the sport and the coaching seminars. April/May was considered the preferred time for such an undertaking.

#### **UMPIRES MATTERS:**

It was pleasing to note that 12 candidates had sat the National examination after a very slow initial response. Examiner Graham Gerrand coped well and was helpful with the late notification of candidates. Results will be advised next week. It was recognised that more work needed to be done on increasing umpires and districts should be given a framework to prepare umpires for the exam. Districts are also reminded that refresher courses should be held regularly.

Umpires attending the Nationals are asked to be available to assist. Trevor Tozer had sent the historical information on the NZIB Umpires Federation to National Office where it was being stored.

#### **DISTRICT REPORTS:**

Executive members reported to the meeting on the discussions they had had with their individual districts.

# **DEVELOPMENT FUND:**

Disappointing was expressed at the lack of interest and concern that nothing is being done to promote the game within the districts. Again it was emphasised that districts must take responsibility for promotion and NZIB can only assist with resources such as brochures, memberships kits and funding for approved projects.

A request had been made by Zone 6 applying for a grant of \$200 to cover hall hire for a Junior Pairs Tournament to be hosted by South Canterbury which was approved.

Otago had advised that they will be submitting an application to cover School holiday programmes in July and September. Due to the success of last years initiative favourable consideration is likely to be given when it is received.

That the Executive Officer's Report be accepted.

Hughes/Edgar

Carried

# Some of the issues raised:

# NZ Secondary Schools event:

Entry form and information is to be sent to all districts and to the NZ Secondary Schools Sports Council's website <a href="www.nzsssc.co.nz">www.nzsssc.co.nz</a>. This is the source that schools access information for all up coming sporting events. However the importance of each District to support this event can not be emphasised enough. It would be extremely disappointing if district's entrants to the NZ Junior Singles event did not stay on and compete. It

must be noted though that entries for the Secondary Schools event must be handled separately and signed off by School Principals. This year prevision had been made to include year 7 and 8 students if they belonged to a member school.

NZ Junior Singles entry form and information would be emailed out and a junior certificate for each district posted. Please encourage your junior singles representative to compete in the Secondary Schools event while they are in Wellington.

#### **Newsletter:**

Two issues had been distributed and districts are requested to supply reports of any positive happenings in their district.

# **Beginners Guide to Indoor Bowls**

Following the successful introduction of this publication 500 had been reprinted and is now available for sale at \$5 per copy.

#### INTERNATIONAL:

Australia had advised they will be selecting players in August to attend trials in January where the team will be picked.

Nomination forms for the NZ team will be sent out after the July Executive Meeting where a plan for selection and leading up to the event will be finalised. Nominations will close the end of August and performances at the National championships, national events and the Island matches will have a definite bearing on selection.

# **CONSTITUTION REVIEW:**

Those districts that sent in submissions are thanked and a revised document will be sent out. NZIB Solicitor will be asked to advise whether the review document can be presented to the AGM as one document and not individual 'notices of motions' for all changes.

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

Membership forms which needed to be returned with payment by 31 July 2010 would be emailed out.

A letter from Northland advising of clubs not wishing to affiliate was discussed with concern. Does your district make any attempt to contact and discuss the benefits of belonging to NZIB if your club doesn't affiliate? It was agreed that David Edgar, being the Executive liaison contact for Northland, contact the clubs direct to establish reasons for disaffiliating.

Before the Meeting started Trevor Rayner reported on a Sparc seminar he had attended "Giving Direction in the Boardroom – Strategic Thinking and Effective Decision-Making". Each member was asked why they were there and from this the sports main concerns were identified as membership, lack of young blood coming through in Administrators, promotion of the game and NZIB's structure. Next meeting there will be discussion around "if you were building the sport now how would you structure it?" Districts are welcome to provide feedback on this subject.

After receiving results from the NZ Deaf Indoor Bowls Championships an approach will be made to the organisation about re joining as an Associate Member.

Meeting closed at 3.45pm.