

SA BRIDGE FEDERATION

MINUTES OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

At Adelaide Bridge Centre, 209 Glen Osmond Rd, Frewville

Sunday 14th October, 2007

Meeting opened at 10.35am

1. Present:

President: Ms Dianne Marler
Secretary: Ms Alison Fallon
Treasurer: Ms Deb Wellman
Committee: Mr Peter Chan
Ms Sue Phillips
Mr Phil Gue,
Mr Obbie Reiziger,
Mr David Anderson
Observer: Mr Graham Quinn

2. Apologies:

Mr Wayne Holder
Ms Jill Allanson
Ms Barbara Travis

Prior to the meeting commencing, Obbie Reiziger advised that he would be stepping down as the Glenelg representative on the SABF MC. He advised that his place would be taken by Graham Quinn from the next Meeting.

The President thanked Obbie for his many years of service to the SABF and for his valued input over that time.

3. Minutes of previous meeting:

It was moved that the minutes of the previous Management Committee Meeting held 26th August, 2007 be accepted

Moved: Obbie Reiziger

Seconded: Deb Wellman

Motion carried

4. Matters Arising:

- 1) No one expressed an interest in attending the Sydney Director's workshop in September.
- 2) To date there have been 18 replies received to the survey re changes to selection procedures for the Women's and Seniors' State Teams. 14 were for the proposed changes and 4 against.
Correspondence received from David Cherry that warranted discussion of the dates of the qualifying for the Seniors Trials. It was agreed to schedule the Qualifying for 29th & 30th March and the Final on 26th & 27th April 2007, subject to finalisation of the format following survey. Di to email David

Cherry, John Horowitz, Roger Januske and David Lusk to notify of the change.

- 3) Di to liaise with Jill re the venue for the 2008 Gold Cup.
- 4) Di to also liaise with Jill re the 2007 Gold Cup.
- 5) The 2008 calendar has been amended to include the GN Pairs and the Board a Match event moving from Monday nights to Wednesday days.
- 6) The proposed SA allocation of clubs into Zones for the 2008 GN Pairs has been corrected. Barossa Bridge is now included in SA Country. 6 pairs from SA Metropolitan and 2 from SA Country will qualify for the final. It was confirmed that Clubs can run their qualifying events when they choose. The date for the SA regional final for Metropolitan & Country was set for 19th October, 2008. Clubs to be notified with the details at a later date. The National final is in January 2008 in Canberra.
- 7) The ABF is still to formalise the Rules and Regulations for the GNOT Regional Qualifying event. At present the ABF confirmed that it is up to individual clubs whether to accept entries from non-club members. Di to again seek clarification from John Brockwell about the allotment of Gold Points to non-club member players.

5. Reports:

- 1) There was no formal President's Report. Matters have been reported in the body of the minutes.
- 2) Treasurer's Report attached. It was clarified that the ABF charge \$10.00 per team entry fee for the GNOT heats. Deb to look at the financial structure for the 2008 GNOT and recommend an entry fee for qualifying for that event.
- 3) There was no formal Tournament Report. Reporting on the Women's & Seniors' Trials survey was given earlier in Matters Arising.
- 4) Education Report attached.
Questions were raised as to the origin of some Director's exams used recently. Alison to contact Blue Lake Bridge Club for the source of the exam recently handed to Phil Gue for marking.
It was decided that the qualifications following successful completion of the exam needed clarification. Phil to follow up, rewrite the travelling score sheet questions and make other improvements as necessary.
Di to draw up a letter and Certificate to be sent to successful candidates and a letter to be sent to their respective clubs notifying of their members Director status.
- 5) Disciplinary Report.
Documentation from the matter currently before the committee was distributed, read and returned to the President. Phil gave a more detailed verbal report.
The Disciplinary Committee tabled a recommendation that *'the penalty imposed be that the SABF refuse entry from the person concerned to SABF events for a period of six months from a date to be decided by the SABF'*.
It was moved that the recommendation be accepted and that the person concerned be invited to attend, or communicate with, the next MC meeting scheduled 25th November, 2007 if they wished to challenge the period of suspension.

Moved: Sue Phillips
Seconded: Alison Fallon

Motion carried

There was 1 dissenting vote.

Di to write to the person concerned to inform them of the decision.

- 6) There was no Youth report. The meeting was informed that Mr Phil Sellars has taken over the role of Youth Coordinator from Mr David Lusk

It was moved that all reports be accepted

Moved: **Obbie Reiziger**

Seconded: **Phil Gue**

Motion carried

6. Correspondence

As listed in the agenda.

1. It was noted that for the 2008 ANC the Team Manager will need to ensure that team members prepare full ABF system cards in a timely manner.
2. Clubs to be notified details of the new event, the Grand National Pairs. Di to follow up.
3. Di to accept the invitation from the QBA to send a team to the PABF

It was decided to send the SABF 2008 Gold Cup winners to The PABF Congress.

The QBA has offered \$1000.00 subsidy per team.

It was moved that the SABF add \$500.00 so that the subsidy is now \$1500.00.

Moved: **Peter Chan**

Seconded: **Sue Phillips**

Motion carried

The SABF God Cup Qualifying event will be held 18th May 2008. The PABF Congress is held 29th August to 7th September in Queensland.

7. Other Business

1. The SABF 2008 calendar has hopefully been finalised.
2. It was agreed to subsidise the airfare for David Lusk to travel to Canberra to direct in order for him to attain his National Director's accreditation. It was also agreed that SABF policy was that the SABF will offer a one off airfare subsidy per applicant for Director/Training accreditation.
3. Phil Gue left the meeting at 12.15pm.
4. The SABF has received a request to put links to commercial material on its website. It was agreed that the SABF would not put commercial links/material on its webpage. It was also agreed that as clubs could run their own websites at no cost if they have an email address, the SABF website would only provide links to clubs' websites rather than include a page on the SABF website on their behalf.
5. David to liaise with Jill re the next Directors Workshop dates and speakers.
6. Di to send David a copy of the proposed changes to the Bridge Laws currently being discussed at WBF level.
7. It was confirmed that no decision has been made by the ABF re changing the Masterpoint requirements for Novice and Restricted events. Di to follow up.

8. As Graham Quinn is to replace Obbie Reiziger as the Glenelg representative on this Committee, he was asked to obtain a letter from the Glenelg Bridge Club formalising the change.

Meeting closed at 12/20pm

Next meeting Sunday 25th November, 2008, following the AGM

Venue to be decided