

SA BRIDGE FEDERATION

MINUTES OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

At SABA, 243 Young St, Unley

Following the AGM 14th December, 2008

Meeting opened at 10.06am

1. Present:

President: Ms Dianne Marler
Secretary: Ms Alison Fallon
Treasurer: Ms Deb Wellman
Committee: Mr Peter Chan
Ms Sue Phillips
Mr Paul Walker
Mr Evan Allanson
Mr John Zollo (proxy for Mr David Anderson)
Mr Obbie Reiziger (proxy for Mr Graham Quinn)

There were no observers

2. Apologies: Ms Barbara Travis

3. Minutes of previous meeting:

It was moved that the minutes of the previous Management Committee Meeting held 8th November, 2008 be accepted

Moved: Paul Walker

Seconded: Peter Chan

Motion carried

4. Matters Arising:

The Dept of Business & Consumers Affairs advised that they do not have a pro forma Confidentiality Agreement.

It was agreed that Alison would draw up a Confidentiality Statement and committee members would be required to signify receipt by signing & dating it.

The main purpose of the Confidentiality Statement will be to ensure all committee members understand and accept that discussions within the committee must remain confidential unless minuted and available to the public.

5. Reports:

Taken as read at the AGM

It was agreed the reports would be circulated in pdf format in one document in future.

Youth Coordinator

There was discussion on the role of the Youth Coordinator now that the SABF is fully responsible for that position.

It was agreed to circulate an advertisement to all clubs and relevant newsletters and personally approach people who could be of interest.

David Lusk advised that he is prepared to continue to give support and assistance to the Youth Coordinator.

It was also agreed that the SABF committee would provide administrative support as needed.

It was moved that an honorarium of \$2000 be offered for the Youth Coordinator position for 2009

Moved: John Zollo
Seconded: Paul Walker
Motion carried

It was then moved that all reports be accepted

Moved Paul Walker
Seconded Peter Chan
Motion carried

6. Correspondence

There was no correspondence requiring the attention of the meeting.

7. Other Business

ANC State Teams Documents

Sue and Peter were thanked for their hard work and the timely manner in which the documents were circulated.

Sue reported that after extensive email correspondence between committee members, the only issues remaining to be resolved were:

- Non contending pairs
- Team uniforms

Di established that most other states do not allow non-contending pairs to play in their State Team Selection Finals.

It was suggested that the wording be altered to 'not available' to better reflect the situation

It was moved that the SABF change the rules of eligibility for all State Team Selection Finals to reflect that all pairs must declare their availability to take up their position in the State Team, if selected, and must sign a 'Declaration of Availability' before being accepted to play in a State Team Final event.

For: 6
Against: 2
Abstentions: 1
Motion carried

There followed discussion of appropriate sanctions for pairs who withdraw without extenuating circumstances.

It was proposed and agreed that the sanction would be a ban from participating in any State Team selection final for 12 months.

It was then moved that should a player qualify for one State Team before another State Team Final has been completed, he/she can choose which team he/she will play in. Their partner will subsequently be available to enter any other State Team qualifying event.

Any dispensation for leave to withdraw from a State Team due to extenuating circumstances is to be sent in writing to the MC committee for consideration.

Moved: Deb Wellman

Seconded: Peter Chan

For: 7

Against: nil

Abstentions: 2

Motion Carried

All documents relating to the State Teams will be placed on the SABF website and entrants asked to refer to the website.

A 'Declaration of Availability' is to be placed on the SABA notice board and those pairs already entered the Open Trials made aware of the document.

Sue has offered to update the Team Manager/Assistant Manager advertisement. It was considered appropriate to alter the wording 'coaching' to 'practice' sessions when referring to team training.

Uniforms

It was agreed that as the 2009 ANC is in Canberra, the uniform will be a jacket. It was also agreed that if a player already has a jacket with no date on it, they will not be offered another.

It was agreed that it was the wish of the SABF MC that uniforms be worn at all times during play, but that the committee accepts that it is not always practical to do so.

It was therefore moved that:

Uniforms are to be worn on the first day of competition, the last day of competition, for team photos, and as directed by the Team Manager.

Moved: Evan Allanson

Seconded: Paul Walker

Motion carried

Women's & Seniors Trials Final

Di is finalising entry forms for the Women's Trials. It was confirmed that entry will be \$75 per player and the trials will be completed during February.

There was discussion about the advisability of having a dedicated Director for the Women's and Senior's Trials finals.

So moved

Moved: Evan Allanson

Seconded: Paul Walker

Motion carried

State Directors

The State Directors' roster has been circulated to all State Directors.

It was agreed that Phil Sellars would direct the State Teams Final with Rex Whitford as back up. Di to follow up with Rex.

The SABF is now responsible for the employment of all Directors for State events. Advice has been sought from the ABF Chief Accountant as to the advisability of treating Directors as contractors or employees.

It was agreed that Directors would be employed on a sub contract basis and that they would therefore need an ABN. Di to advise all State Directors.

The Treasurer advised that terms of payment can be tailored to suit the individual Director.

It was agreed to pay \$130 per session for 2009 with rates to be set annually at the Management Committee meeting following the AGM.

It was agreed to authorise the executive to put in place the necessary documentation during the Xmas/holiday break.

Meeting closed at 12.10pm

The next meeting will be called by the Secretary on a date and time to suit a quorum of committee members.