



## **Board Meeting Minutes**

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2008 @ 12noon  
Squash Auckland, Sport Auckland House, Alexandra Park

### **MEETING ATTENDANCE**

Present: Paul Cameron (Chairman), Tim Marshall, Tanya Laurence, Bob Dey, Trudy Englebretsen (General Manager).

Apologies: Kirk Richardson, Pam Gilbert

### **PREVIOUS MINUTES**

PC/TL moved that the Board minutes of 7<sup>th</sup> August be accepted.

### **MATTERS ARISING**

**Motion:** PC/BD moved that the GM request reply (on behalf of the Board) from SNZ re the feedback document sent in June.

Reply received from SNZ, GM working more with SNZ in strategic planning process.

**Motion** – the GM develops and begins implementing a naming sponsorship plan by the 2008 AGM. 1 new sponsor on board, Apex Advice Insurance.

No naming sponsorship plan yet, motion is left open until next board meeting.

**Motion:** PC/KR moved that the Board would like to be updated on College Sport progress at each board meeting.

Update written into GM report

**Motion:** PC/TM moved that the GM to circulate the final version of the Strategic Plan to the Board, take into account discussion and bring to the September meeting for final approval by the Board.

Action item in today's meeting

**Motion:** PC/BD moved that the GM makes the required changes to the constitution as discussed and provide a time line & requirements for completing the review, inclusive of approval at the AGM.

Action item in today's meeting

### **DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

None

### **STRATEGIC PLAN**

PC/BD Moved that the revised Strategic Plan be accepted with amendments. The Strategic Plan will be updated and communicated in the annual report inclusive of an introduction that highlights the changes that have been made and reasoning behind the changes.

Strategic Plan progress & successes will be highlighted in the chairman and GM reports in the annual report.

### **BUSINESS PLAN**

PC/TM moved that the board accept and approve the 2008 business plan.

Areas of focus for 2009 include Junior Development, Facility Development & a review of competitions.

### **GM REPORT**

PC/TL moved to accept GM report.

### **Squash New Zealand Support**

SNZ have agreed to support Squash Auckland's proposal to research youth in schools. They are providing \$6,000 to us to implement the research and share our findings.

### **College Sport Update**

GM had a meeting with the CEO and Sport Manager for Squash from College Sport, they are not interested in Squash Auckland administrating secondary school squash as per the basketball model which neither College Sport nor basketball believe has been very successful.

In partnership Squash Auckland and College Sport will work together to develop programmes for secondary school students, the objective is to increase the number of students playing in the College Sport Squash Competition.

This has been included in the 2009 business plan.

### **FINANCE**

PC/TM moved that the finance report be accepted.

### **CHAIRMANS REPORT**

#### **Board Evaluation**

The board has completed the online board evaluation. Simon Peterson delivered the results at the board meeting and sat in the meeting and provided some feedback on the meeting and our Board processes.

#### **NZ Squash Feedback**

Mike Thomson, CEO Squash NZ, supplied answers to the operational questions we raised with him. Mike is doing his best to address these issues, and while he acknowledges some issues will be addressed immediately, others will take more time and we should through the GM monitor progress.

Squash NZ are also advertising a Squash Coaching Director Role which may help us with our coaching delivery and structures in the future.

#### **NZ Squash AGM**

The NZ Squash AGM is being held at Rotorua from Friday 21<sup>st</sup> to Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> November.

The following vacancies to be nominated by 13<sup>th</sup> October by the district for voting at the AGM:

- Executive Council x 2
- Men's Selectors x 2
- Junior's Selectors x 2
- Masters Selectors x 2

PC/BD moved that Aileen Buscke (Remuera) and Pat McHugh (North Shore) will be put forward for selectors for Squash New Zealand.

Paul Cameron & Trudy Englebretsen will be attending on behalf of Squash Auckland.

The Board discussed concerns about NZ Squash's Strategic Planning consultation process, GM informed that online survey was not going to be undertaken; PC will ring SNZ Chairman Jim O'Grady to get an update.

### **SQUASH AUCKLAND SELECTED FOR ORGANISATION DEVELOPMENT TOOL**

Sport Auckland (includes funding from SPARC to work in this area) has selected Squash Auckland for the Organisational Development Tool.

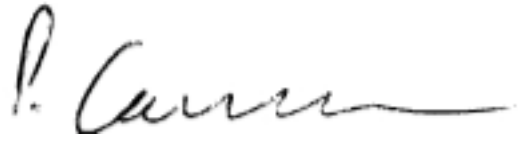
The OD offers Squash Auckland an independent assessment on all aspects of Squash Auckland business and operations (from governance through to running competitions, working with volunteers etc). An independent consultant will facilitate the online evaluation, provides reports for planning for future and recommend key projects are undertaken.

Sport Auckland also provides \$30,000 to implement key findings/projects.

### **UPDATE ON NSCT**

Litigation – NSCT will be in court on 28<sup>th</sup> September 2009.

Meeting closed: 2.30pm

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. Cameron', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Paul Cameron  
**Chairman**