



**Minutes of the Board Meeting
Tuesday 9th February 2010, 5.30p.m.
Squash Auckland, Sport Auckland House, Alexandra Park**

IN ATTENDANCE

Tim Marshall, Dave Fraser, Tanya Laurence, Paul Brown. Adrian Dale (GM)

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Tim Marshall was the sole nomination.

Moved that Tim Marshall is elected as the Chairman for the 2009/10 term.

PB/TL

2. APOLOGIES

Andrew Eade, Pam Gilbert

Moved that the apologies are accepted.

TM/TL

3. PREVIOUS MINUTES

The Board minutes of the meeting held October 21st 2009 and December 23rd 2010 will be circulated shortly for Board approval.

The minutes of the 2009 AGM were observed and will be kept on file for approval at the 2010 AGM.

4. MATTERS ARISING

None

5. CORESPONDANCE

SNZ circulated a memo asking for Districts to nominate one or two clubs that may need assistance for substantial development projects. It is unclear if the assistance is financial or through specialist support.

SA will provide a process whereby all clubs have an equal opportunity to apply for this assistance.

6. MANAGER'S REPORT

Technology

SIT platform meeting numbers have increased to 50 club members from 20 different clubs.

Interclub

SA has attempted to increase the number of teams entering interclub competitions.

One of the barriers to this is the difficulty in contacting previous interclub players directly. As the SNZ IT platform develops, SA will work closely with SNZ in order to use the system to communicate with the Auckland membership.

Shares Services

A hard copy of the Bar Operations Manual was presented at the meeting. It is due to be circulated to the clubs after it has final approval from Sport Auckland.

Staff

The DM produced an activity list of development work at clubs.

A new initiative, 'Squash Fit', is a new program that is in the early stages of being promoted and delivered to clubs. It is an early morning squash based fitness session run at clubs.

The board will receive figures on participation levels in all programs at the March meeting.

Kiwi Sport

The aim of the scheme is to increase the number of children playing organised sport.

Following meetings with all of the RST's, there are two different ways we plan to use the scheme to deliver squash in Auckland. Ultimately we are looking for the players to join clubs.

Harbor Sport

In conjunction with Table Tennis, Badminton and possibly another sport, we plan to obtain funding from Harbour Sport for a 'community sport coordinator (CSC)'. Whilst Squash Auckland will still arrange for the delivery of the squash programs, the role of the CSC will be to liaise with schools and organise the delivery of the program. There will be a 3K cost per year for Squash Auckland towards the coordinator.

Counties Manukau Sport; Sport Auckland and Sport Waitakere.

The intention is to seek funding for additional coaches to improve the quality of the existing programs to schools within close proximity to Squash clubs.

On first analysis, it looks likely we will be seeking approximately \$5k to 7K in funding from each Regional Sport Trust.

The opportunity for a sustainable link to a club in the local vicinity is important with both schemes.

All expressions of interest to the RSTs will be finalised before the end of March.

Affiliation review

SNZ are reviewing the sport's 'affiliation' system which could have an important bearing on the direction and levels of income streams within the sport. The GM will become part of the affiliation review committee organised by SNZ and report regularly to the board on possible affiliation models to consider.

Moved that the Managers Report is accepted

TM/PB

7. ANNUAL MEETING DATES

The meeting dates for 2010 were formalised.

8. ANNUAL WORK PLAN

The annual work plan for 2010 was set. This is a live document that can be updated by the Board throughout the year.

9. FINANCE

The accounts for December and January were circulated.

The Trust Funding position was discussed. Applications are in line with the business plan and we are awaiting the outcome these applications.

The GM will look at the viability of applying for Super Champs travel and accommodation costs for the successful teams.

Affiliation fees are to be invoiced in March.

10. VOLUNTEER STRATEDGY

A volunteer strategy was tabled.

The main aim of the strategy is to produce a 'one stop shop' volunteer pack which is squash specific and then to ensure that this resource is used by clubs during 2010.

The results of the strategy will be reported to the Board throughout the year.

11. CO-OPTED BORAD MEMBERS

Specific skills in HR, fundraising, sports governance and local government were considered important to the board in 2010. However, the board believed that while these specific skill sets may be valuable, a person with good drive and attitude is equally as important. No names were tabled at the meeting.

12. GENERAL BUSINESS

Paul Cameron has been nominated as the SNZ Board member in charge of liaising with SA.

The board agreed that both Paul Cameron and Jim O'Grady, SNZ CEO, could attend two SA Board meetings throughout the year in order to give updates on projects within SNZ. They are to be invited to the board meeting on May 2010 to present an update on T2020 prior to the Presidents meeting.

Meeting closed 7.50 p.m.