



BFACT Council Meeting

5.30 pm Friday 11 May 2018 Deakin

MINUTES

Present: Marianne Bookallil, Judith Tobin, Ian Dalziell, John Yoon, Alex Hewat, Lynne Moss, Pam Crichton, John Donovan.

Apologies: Jenny McAinsh, Andrew Dawes, Niek van Vucht, Roy Nixon.

The draft minutes of the previous Council meeting of 13 April 2018 were confirmed with the addition noting that \$500 had been tentatively agreed as an appropriate subsidy for ANC participants in 2018.

Presidents Report. The President reported on issues discussed at a recent Management Committee meeting. This included changed composition of the MC, constitutional amendments, long term planning, increases in fees, exchange rates for non-ABF players, and direct contact of members.

Treasurer's Report. The Treasurer circulated updated financial statements.

He also agreed to provide a report on BFACT distributions to each member club (including marketing grants) over the last 6 years.

John requested suggestions for a new Treasurer to replace him at the next AGM.

It was agreed to maintain the Affiliation Fee at \$8.50 pp in 2019.

Grants. Council agreed to submissions from the Capital Bridge Club for a capital grant of \$426 (representing half the cost of new boards \$372 and new cards \$480) and a marketing grant of \$929 (representing part of the annual cost of Yellow Pages advertising).

Tournament Secretary. The Tournament Secretary was commended and thanked for overseeing the arrangements and selection for the successful ANC trials.

Bridge Tournament Advisory Committee. Marianne advised that the members of Committee are Niek van Vucht, Roy Nixon, Stephen Fischer, Julia Hoffman. The membership and terms of reference for the committee were agreed by Council and are attached.

BFACT Interclub Teams: 22 July. John Donovan reported that he had invited all local clubs but had not yet received any replies. He will also invite Bungendore. Council asked John to continue to keep contact with clubs.

Youth Bridge. John Yoon has arranged a team for ANC 2018 in Hobart consisting of Andrew Spooner, Zac Neulinger, Max Mullamphy, Lexi Wilsmore, Jade Wilkinson, and Daryl Whitfield (playing captain). BFACT ratified this team. ABF has provided approval for this team noting that Daryl is one year older than the youth category. Council noted that Lexi and Jade are young members and Council was advised that they will be supported and supervised by parents or grandparents.

John noted that Griff Ware may be able to advertise youth bridge at ANU.

Constitutional change. John Yoon updated BFACT on the progress of the committee on constitutional change (namely John Yoon, Marianne Bookallil, Sebastian Yuen and Ian Dalziell). The next meeting of the committee is scheduled for 13 May. The planned consultation on 20 May after the Southern Tablelands Teams is on track.

Honour Boards. Pam Crichton and John Donovan reported that CBC and BFACT are coordinating to update all boards.

Canberra in Bloom. Justine Beaumont will be asked to provide a report to the next BFACT Council meeting.

The Treasurer noted that arrangements for PAYID are being progressed

Club Reports.

CBC advised that that the Ginnan-Hollands skills development program on 28 & 29 April had been very well received.

Cootamundra BC reported that the new bridgemates (purchased with the assistance of a marketing grant) are working well.

South Canberra BC noted that renovations at the Southern Cross Club had caused some temporary disruption.

Capital BC advised that their regular Thursday venue at St Ninians Lyneham was still unavailable so that they are meeting at the Belconnen Community Centre in the meantime.

Bridge for Kids. Pam reported that this event was very successful, and that Elaine Leach was investigating holding it for 2 sessions in future school holidays.

Directors Ian had provided a list of directors to the Treasurer and CBC so that their \$25 pp annual association subscriptions could be paid by BFACT. Council agreed to reimburse directors who had already paid.

Next Meetings: 15 June, 13 July.