



BFACT Council Meeting

5:30 pm Friday 05 October 2018 Deakin

MINUTES

Present: : Marianne Bookallil, Judith Tobin, Julia Leung, Niek van Vucht, John Yoon, John Donovan, Pam Crichton, Lynne Moss, John Niven

Apologies: Jenny McAinsh, Andrew Dawes

The President welcomed everyone to the New Council especially new members:
Julia Leung as Treasurer, and
John Niven as Secretary.

Confirmation of minutes: The minutes of the meeting of 24 August 2018 were confirmed (M: Lynne Moss, S: John Donovan).

1. Matters Arising:

Advertising of Canberra in Bloom (CiB). The failure of there being any advertising of the CiB within recent congresses was noted. The reason for this failure to be followed up with ABF by the President.

Timing of Seniors and Open Teams selection competitions was discussed as well as the availability of a state rated director. Need to resolve all issues by end of October in order to meet printing deadlines may force our hand re. Next year. We may need to run Seniors selection over two sessions in April. Niek to take up with Calender Committee.

2. President's Report (MB): The President advised that the new BFACT Constitution was accepted at the AGM and correspondence from ACT Govt meant it was now in effect.

As a consequence of the new Committee bank signatories would need to be updated. Council noted the requirement to remove John Yoon and Ian Dalzeil and add Julia Leung and Judith Tobin as signatories to the Beyond Bank account. Signing Officers were to arrange to meet at BFACT banking Civic offices at a mutually agreed time to register signing changes.

The Council agreed to undertake all steps required to enable use of Electronic Approval of banking Transactions. (M: Julia Leung, S: Marianne Bookallil)

3. Treasurer's Report (JY): The CiB was expected to return a profit of \$2k -\$3k with Youth Subsidies to be in the order of \$10k. These figures were as yet not finalised. The Council would be advised once final figures were available.

4. Tournament Secretary's Report (NvV): Covered above

Other Business

5. Motion to appoint supplemental councillor John Donovan : Motion was put and carried. (M: Marianne Bookallil, S: Lynne Moss)
6. Staffing of following functions: Public Officer; Director Coordinator; Contact for ABF determining Masterpoints for overseas players. John Donovan to undertake last role. Secretary of ABF to be advised. As Public Officer an extension of Secretary functions John Niven to undertake this function. Secretary to notify Access Canberra by 5 November as required. President to pursue suitable nominee for Director Coordinator.
7. New Constitution – membership list. Discussion as to the means by which the Council would fulfil this new legislative obligation. Agreed that the most practical means to fulfil this while ensuring maximum privacy to members was to obtain details from individual clubs via thumb drives which would be securely stored. These would be returned to clubs for update annually. Agreed John Yoon to research actual address requirements to be maintained (streetVpostal) : Marianne to purchase requisite number of thumb drives.
8. Recorder for BFACT. Functions and need for recorder was discussed. President to ask Stephen Fischer if he is available.
9. Out of Council Decision Beginners Championship CBC event not BFACT
Recording an out of session decision by the old council. The beginners championship was inadvertently put in the calendar as a BFACT and not CBC event. BFACT didn't have an honour board etc and it seemed silly to keep as a BFACT event given its history - a decision was made out of session to run as a CBC event
10. C2 Directors Exam Pass by Stephen Fischer The excellent pas in the Theory and recommendation that Stephen be accredited at C2 director level was noted. Marianne to liaise with Sebastian re protocol to appointment. Matter deferred to next meeting.
11. Recent & upcoming competitions. In order to anchor next year's timings it was agreed that the 2019 AGM and Gala Pairs would be scheduled for Sunday 29th September.
12. Other Business. a) The benefits of deregistering for GST and only registering in years ACT hosts ANC when it is an issue was discussed. A second opinion to be obtained from Ian Thompson.
13. Other Business. b) The lack of any BFACT sponsored event attracting PQP points was discussed. Need to negotiate with ABF after discussion with Roy Nixon on any

historical matters affecting ACT as we seem to be only jurisdiction without an owned PQP event (Summer Festival is ABF).

14. Other Business. c) The need for a new Honour Board re Open Teams was discussed. John Donovan to discuss with CBC their willingness to provide space for a board. Costs will be met by BFACT. Matter is not urgent.

15. Other Business. d) Council noted the request by CBC for grant/subsidy in line with BFACT policy for various bridge related items. Agreed this could be done once CBC had submitted a formal receipt inclusive of GST

Next Meetings: Council meeting scheduled for 7 December 2018.