



Combined minutes of BFACT Council Meeting 26 June 2026, In person and 1 July 2026, Teams

Minutes

Attendees: (26 June) - Wendy Boxall (President), Cathy Nichols (Vice President), Roger Brake (Treasurer), , Niek Van Vucht (Tournament Secretary), John Donovan (Masterpoint Secretary) Edie Grumley (Monaro), Angela McGill (Bungendore), Mary Tough (CBC), Alex Hewitt (for David Clarkson, South Canberra)

Apologies: Tamara Cutcliffe (Secretary), Judy Hillam (Cootamundra), Toni Adams (Gunghalin), Keith Huggan, David Clarkson

Attendees (30 June) - Wendy Boxall (President), Roger Brake (Treasurer), , Niek Van Vucht (Tournament Secretary), Angela McGill (Bungendore), Mary Tough (CBC), David Clarkson (South Canberra)

Confirmation of minutes of previous Council meeting of 26 May. Cathy noted a typo to be fixed.

Moved EG, seconded NVV

CARRIED

Matters dealt with out of Session

Nil

1. **ANC Report** Lyn Carter – Lyn circulated a management plan that contains organizational details for officials and a checklist showing ANC work to do. Key issues are on track, though more board dealing to be done. It was agreed to get some more assistance to unload the truck on Friday. It was suggested Lyn contact Ronnie Ng to get another projector. On the financial side, while entries are below expectations, the ANC will still generate a likely profit of around \$30,000. The dinner will be well attended and a volunteer function has been organized. Angela mentioned that Poachers Pantry may be willing to sponsor a bridge event like Canberra in Bloom. Wendy thanked Lyn and Cathy for all their work on behalf of BFACT.

Standing Reports

2. President's Report and ABF Report

Wendy Boxall - President BFACT

Wendy mentioned the recent directors course went well, with around 15-20 people attending each day. Attendees included people from regional clubs outside BFACT. There was very positive feedback, including for Bruce Crossman who conducted the course. There was lots of interest in follow-up training.



There was nothing to report from the ABF.

3. Treasurer's Report (and CIB)

Roger noted that almost all the financial transactions since the last meeting related to the ANC and hence would affect the 2026-2027 financial statements. CIB is on track and work would accelerate once the ANC is complete.

4. Tournament Secretary's Report

Niek mentioned that the CBC website is down and that CBC has been able to post results and other key links using the BFACT website.

5. Club Reports

Bungendore - Angela noted that preparations are underway for their Open Pairs event and they are looking at some changes to their club Constitution.

Monaro - Edie noted they had put in for a grant for a dealing machine. They were also looking to buy 10 card tables. Their AGM is coming up.

6. Masterpoint Secretary Report – John noted that the ABF had revised its policy on green master points so that that they have greater weighting if the field is relatively strong.

7. General Business

It was noted that Suz Wilkinson has arranged for bridge lessons/play to happen at Turner school, with BFACT being the 'owner' and CBC being the sponsor.

There was discussion around amounts to be paid to the ANC Tournament Organisers. It was noted that there was substantial work and responsibility involved. Wendy moved a motion to make a payment of \$5,000 each to Lyn Carter and to Cathy Nichols for their work as Tournament Organisers. Seconded by Niek. CARRIED

8. Next Meeting

The next meeting is 14 August, online.