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Board Meeting Minutes

April 30, 2018

Held at the Bowls North Office, 22 Adelaide St., East Launceston.

President Marleen opened the meeting at 5.30pm

Present:

Marleen van den Bosch, Gaylene McNab, Vicki Winley (Treasurer), Sandra Krushka, Mark Dickinson, Maxine Monson and David Heron.

Apologies: Warren Groves

4. Conflict of Interest

Conflict of Interest noted for agenda items. Nil

5. Confirmation of Minutes as circulated be accepted

Moved Mark Dickinson

That the Minutes dated April 14, 2018 that had been circulated be taken as read and be adopted with amendments "Judy Gurr as not present and Mark Dickinson spelt correctly in correspondence."

- Seconded Maxine Monson

CARRIED

8. Business arising from previous minutes:

- Bowls South's amendments to the Bowls Tasmania Constitution for discussion at the Regional Consultative Committee meeting.
 - BN Board does not support the Bowls South changes to the Bowls Tasmania Constitution.
- Disappointing that the SWC celebration BBQ had to be cancelled. Some players had training for BT sides and others are the Commonwealth games.

9. Correspondence - list of inward & outward as circulated

- Marlene Bushby's Board resignation 3/03/2018 as a Female Board Director.
- Brodie Baker's Board resignation as Male Board Director.

Moved by David Heron

That the Inward correspondence received be accepted and the Outwards endorsed as circulated.

- Seconded Sandra Krushka CARRIED

10. Transfers – NIL

11. Treasurer's Report

Moved Vicki Winley

That the March, 2018 Bank Register containing Cheque 803134 - 803156 and Direct Debits of \$12,357.85 as paid, be approved and ratified

- Seconded Mark Dickinson

CARRIED

Moved Vicki Winley

That the Financial Reports for March, 2018 as presented be accepted and approved.

- Seconded Mark Dickinson

CARRIED



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12. Reports:

- **Under 18's report Mark Dickinson:** refer Attachment
- **Women's Report:** refer attachment
- **Business Plan:** Mark Dickinson reported both the soft and hard copy has been handed over to the Secretary.

General Business:

- President Marleen tabled a letter from Billie Bognar, advising that she did not received prize money for the season 2016-17 BN Veterans Champion of Champions.
 - To be investigated.
- Mark Dickinson requested to have minuted for the incoming Board's attention the letter sent to Bowls Tasmania date 24 November 2017, re "under 18 SWC format. No response was received from Bowls Tasmania.
- Regional Conditions of Play meeting, this meeting was postponed by the Chairman Rob McGuire. Bowls North understanding from the RCC meeting is that it was a discussion between the regions.
The email of postponement was received 17/4/2018 the below is the extract from his email:

"Please note that the proposed first meeting of the Statewide Conditions of Play Meeting has been postponed to a date to be fixed.

I have not yet received confirmation or otherwise that Bowls Tasmania, Bowls North West or Bowls North will abide with the majority view on all issues. If not, Bowls Tasmania, Bowls North West or Bowls North have not yet identified specifically what Conditions of Play are not negotiable as far as Statewide Conditions of Play are concerned.

As you are aware, Bowls Tasmania South has already agreed that it will abide with the majority view on all issues and has advised that there are no Conditions of Play that are not negotiable. As part of its recent survey of members, 89% of responses indicated that they wanted a consistent set of Conditions of Play state wide."

President Marleen thanked all the Board members for their commitment and support during the year.

The next meeting will be held on May 27, 2018 following the AGM

President Marleen declared the meeting closed at 6.45pm.

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President

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Date



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Under-18 Report – April 2018

Not only is this the last report for the 2017-18 Season but also my last report, and as usual I will try to keep it brief, although I have been told that by the President and Secretary since I joined the Board two years ago!

I have really enjoyed the responsibility of looking after the Youth Development Portfolio during that time. The position has brought with it challenges, but the success that has come with the role has made the effort very worthwhile. There are structures now in place; including a Position Description for the portfolio, a Player Consent Form, a Selection Policy and a Facebook page dedicated to the U18 program. The most important part of the structure has been the people involved; we have been so fortunate to get the experience of the Coaches and Selectors we have in the region and it is through that structure the program will continue to grow for sure. Whoever takes on the role in 2018-19 should do so knowing a structure is in place and that these coaches and selectors are there to assist; I am also happy to assist in the transition if required.

As a Regional Authority we must continue to plan for the challenges ahead in maintaining and building the current U18 numbers, and also looking at methods to assist in arresting the decline that has been occurring, particularly over the last five or six years. This will require action from BN, BT and at a club level to generate interest for young people to be participating in the sport of lawn bowls. We have seen more new bowlers again join the program this season and the exciting part is they are as young as 10 years old.

As an additional part of my role on the Board I was able to develop a Business Plan to focus on strategies and priority areas the Board needs to target both in the short and long term; the template may be a good guide for the next Board to at least see the areas of need and may assist in the direction for future planning.

Being my final report and the last for the 2017-18 season I thought it appropriate to reflect on the season past as there were so many positives for the region to take away from it:

- The continuation of the BN U18 Coach and Assistant Coach – Courtney Hobbs and Matthew Jackson! Both dedicated to ensure the future of the younger bowlers in the region continues to be a priority.
- Having some more new faces join the regional U18 squad and being exposed to both regional and state competitions; the camaraderie got stronger every time they all played together. A great bunch for sure!!! #BzB
- A big thanks to the selectors, David Minns, Candice Hodgetts and Michael Sims for giving up their time in assisting with the U18 crew; very much appreciated! And thanks to the parents/families/friends that supported the bowlers to ensure they could participate in all of the events conducted.
- On the green we had the success of going back-to-back in the SWC U18 Series. Bring on a three-peat next season. The BN U18 Championships were once again a big success with good numbers participating in each of the formats.

It has been a really awesome experience for me to be involved with a great bunch of people at all levels in the sport and I wish to thank everyone that has supported not only my efforts, but those of Bowls North in ensuring we place a priority on Youth development and the U18 players into the future. A huge thanks goes of course to all the players that have been involved in the program over the last few years, you all made the job too easy; but also to Marleen Van Den Bosch (President) and Gaylene McNab (Secretary) for their support and allowing me to develop the program structure; and a big part of the process outside of Bowls North was Simon Morrison (Regional Bowls Manager) and Bec Van Asch (Bowls Tas CEO), who both supported the BN program and worked with me on different aspects of development, albeit I am a nuisance (sometimes) but you guys at least humoured me along the way - from that the sport has been the winner in the region for sure!

As I said at the top of this report, I knew it would be brief - Thanks again everyone - over and out...

Submitted by: **MARK DICKINSON**

Date: **24 April 2018**



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Women's Report for April 2018.

I've been very happy with the way my portfolio went this season. I spent a lot of time networking with South and N/West counterparts this season and have learnt a lot along the way about other regions and how they run their SWC series.

Our ladies teams were again successful this season and we have 6 senior female players recently named in the State Team to play in S/Aust later this year.

Our SWC BBQ was cancelled due to lack of support from our players. The main reasons were Commonwealth Games, State Training on the same day and we got the date wrong this year with so much going on around all areas at this time.

I have nominated again for this portfolio as there are still areas of change I would like to see happen next season.

Thankyou to the Board for the support I have received over the past season. Thankyou to my team of selectors and coaches that gave up their time to assist and help our players to once again achieve their success.

Kind regards
Sandra Krushka
B/N Ladies Director