



New Zealand Billiards & Snooker Association (Inc)



Minutes of a Meeting of the New Zealand Billiards & Snooker Association, Held on 13th August 2013 by Online Conferencing at 7pm

Participants

Alan Parris, Dan O'Sullivan, Heather Bond, Grahame Fong, Will Florence, Dene O'Kane, Darren Taylor

Apologies

Gary Gillard, Mark Hannah

Moved AP that apologies be sustained

CARRIED

Minutes of previous meeting

Moved AP that the minutes of previous meeting held after the AGM. Not yet typed up,

CARRIED

Matters arising from minutes

It was moved by Dan O'Sullivan second G.Fong at the July meeting that Alan Parris continue as President, Carried. Also moved A.Parris second Will Florence that Dan remain as Secretary Carried. No other business was carried out at the meeting

Correspondence

Inwards

Large number of emails sent and received, (Email list attached)

Emails from Sam Bind, Heather Bond, Mikey Stewart, Louis Chand re under 21.

Reports from all boys re the trip to China and report from Heather Bond team manager re the event. Letters to Sid Walker, Philip Sharp and Warren Burke re being on the disciplinary committee.

Outwards

Letters sent to Sam Bond, Heather Bond, Mikey Stewart, Healey White, Louis Chand Re under 21 to China. To all associations re Physical address.

Moved inwards accepted outwards approved Dan O'Sullivan/ Heather Bond Carried

Matters arising from Correspondence

Report from all the boys and Heather was emailed on to all the board. Some did not receive the full reports so Heather will forward full reports on to all.

Finance

Account balance as at 6th June 2013 \$15975.23 this includes \$5651.20 from the Junior Development account.

As there was no treasurer present (Sarah Ward) the accounts could not be verified. Will Florence suggested that we co-opt Ray Habgood back onto the board ex-officio so that the finances could be completed. Carried

Constitution

This was approved at the AGM and Alan had completed and formatted, he will then forward to all the board the completed Constitution.

NZ Champs – Auckland

Auckland Champs run well not to many complaints re the venue, Curtesy Van was available and well used.

Dene mentioned that he and others felt the standard of cloth used was not what had been used in the past. All cloths used in the past were 30oz and he felt the 32oz cloth was too slow. Dene felt that the cloth supplied by CIS from Melbourne was not a good cloth

After some discussion the board appointed Dene Okane to look into the matter of cloths and report back to the board.

Through a bit of sponsorship we managed to have live streaming for the final of the Billiards, this achieved 400 hits. The semi-final and Final of the Snooker was also streamed, this proved popular having 1400 hits for the semi-finals and 800 odd for the final of the snooker. This was all done at the last moment and without any notice so it is encouraging to get the response that we did.

Alan reported that while at the championship he had a meeting with Tui Mckendrick, she is an independent TV producer and if we can get the sponsorship then Sky TV will broadcast it in a 50 minute format. Sponsorship of about \$5,000 is required for each event and at the moment Tui has given us some companies to look at. The first we are looking at is the NZ open snooker, we hope to have something in place for that. Talks are still proceeding.

Under 21 to China

Heather gave a report to the board on the trip, she had also sent her report to all the board members. Heather reported that there were no problems, the facilities were perfect as you would expect from China also the World under 21 would probably be played in China for the next 3 years, the boys are now well aware of the standard they need to achieve to compete at this level. Heather did report that it was hard to support all players with four playing as they all had different times, this was the first time with four people and it showed with the clashes that the players could not support others as much as they could.

The big thing now is the cost of taking Cues overseas, they are no longer allowed in the baggage allowance and must be paid for as separate items, this can range from \$60 upwards. Dene asked re funding, winner of NZ Under 21 received \$1,000 the 3 others and manager received \$500

General Business

Letters received from B.Earle regarding alcohol at a tournament. Some discussion was held and it was decided that the NZBSA must follow the IBSF and Oceania in regards to this, The requirements from World Anti Doping Association (WADA) also apply. The current rules are that there is no smoking or drinking during the playing of the match or in the playing area. When people are not playing they can drink away from the playing area.

Two complaints were received re a member, As the NZBSA Board was the appeal board we will not enter into any discussion regarding the matter. These complaints will be reported to the disciplinary committee and it is up to them to decide if there is any case to answer.

Letter from John Gower re Dress Code, Refereeing and Phones

1st one wearing sort sleeved shirt with sponsors logo.

Dan said the rule is that there must be basically one coloured long sleeved shirt. Ties and bow ties must be worn at The NZ Championships and NZ Opens. For all other ranking events a tie is optional if you are wearing a waist coat, if you do not have a waist coat then you must wear a tie. Headgear – this can be worn as an eye cover or for religious reasons otherwise no head gear is allowed, the individual tournament controller can authorise changes.

2nd Refereeing. NZBSA rules say that if you lose your first round of section play you must referee the next match if required. There is nothing to say that you cannot receive your prize money if you leave early. Payments of prize money could be withheld if players do not uphold the tournament conditions.

3rd Phones

At Nationals there was a rule that you would lose a frame if you leave your phone on. Dene suggested that 1 warning should be given and then penalties would apply. This is an Auckland rule at the moment and is not in force for any other events, Suggested that we write up a rule and send it to Grahame for editing and then we can incorporate it into the NZBSA playing conditions.

Wyn Belmonts report

As far as we are aware there is no player delegate to the NZBSA, There were a few problems at the NZ Champs re length of frames this was sorted out with agreement with players and officials. Player selection to World events (under 21) this was bought up and asked who was actually doing the selection, Gary Gillard or the NZBSA. There is a lot of concern that under Garys contact he get final say. Alan replied that this was not so and that the NZBSA do the final selection but the rules are winner of event and highest on the ranking list are first to be approved and then others can go if there are other vacancies.

Gary Gillard asked through email re the changing of the dates for the New Zealand Open Snooker.

Dan responded that the NZ Billiards had already moved to the last weekend in September and the Snooker on the 1st weekend in October. This was done so the NZ Snooker would not clash with a major event in an Auckland club. To move this event again to help out pool would in all likelihood kill the event. A long discussion was held and it was decided that where possible we would take into account pool events as well but for future reference the Billiards and Snooker will not be moved again.

Gary also suggested a tournament between the academy players and the under 21's in Australia be set up and that the NZBSA put in \$5,000 to help support this event, with regards

to players airfares and assisting a manger to travel. After discussion it was felt that while we support the idea at the moment we could not support any form financial assistance, If Gary wishes to raise some money we would support him in his efforts.

At this point it was moved by Alan Parris that the meeting go into committee, all agreed. Meeting came out of committee after 20 minutes.

Registered office for the NZBSA

The matter of snail mail was bought up and after some discussion it was decided that Dan would open a Post Office Box in Hamilton.

Dene bought up the matter of people qualifying out of section play. Ranking events have a set amount that can qualify out of each section. Some associations can have different rules for their events. Dan to look into the tournament rules and update where needed.

Heather asked if there was a set fee for the NZ Open, No it is up to each association to sort out the entry fee.

Heather also bought ranking points, if there was a walkover does the player who gets the walkover get winners points..Yes

No further business meeting closed 9.19pm

Next meeting to be 7pm on 3rd September 2013

Signed.....

NZBSA President

Sub Committees

President	Alan Parris
Secretary	Dan O'Sullivan
Treasurer	
Coaching	Gary Gillard
Calendar of events	Darren Taylor/Will Florence
NZCBS delegates	Alan Parris/ Grahame Fong
Junior Development	Gary Gillard,
Raffle	Alan Parris/Gary Gillard
IBSF, Oceania.	Dan O'Sullivan,
Funding Applications	Alan Parris,
Website	Heather Bond (With assistance from Sam Bond)
Ranking List	Paul Stocker
Constitution	Grahame Fong
Playing Conditions	Dene O'Kane