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MINUTES OF THE TAURANGA BRIDGE CLUB COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE CLUBROOMS 252 NGATAI ROAD, ON TUESDAY 16 NOVEMBER 2021 AT 7:00PM

PRESENT: Kate Terry (Chair), Jocelyn Buchanan, Belinda Ford, Bruce Gibson, Deidre Gunn, Peter Hagan, Mike Newton, Janice Simpson, Jill Usher, Pat Ware, Norm Silcock

APOLOGIES: Sue Handley, John Masters, Judy Pawson **Janice / Bruce CARRIED**

COMMITTEE

Kate advised that Judy Pawson had her hip operation today and all went well. The Committee sent their best wishes for a speedy recovery.

MINUTES: That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 19 October 2021 as circulated are confirmed. **Pat / Jocelyn CARRIED**

MATTERS ARISING AND ACTION LIST

1 Programme

Kate advised that Jackie Blue has advanced next year's programme to the proof reading stage with only final layout of advertisements by our major sponsors and the list of members still to be added.

2 East wall Painting

Kate noted that, while this project was important, with clear constraints on the club's finances at present, it would be deferred to next year.

The Action List updated 17 November

	Item	Action Required	By whom	Due Date
1	Health & Safety Manual	Information page of pandemic response	Kate / Bruce Inglis	Report Jan 2022
2	Accident / Incident Form	Review	Sue & Norm	Report Jan 2022
3	Painting of Outside East Wall	Obtain quotes for remedial work	Peter / Kate	Report Feb 2022
4	Room Hire	Review of Charges	Deidre / Norm	Report Jan 2022



5	Update Room Hire Terms and Conditions	Requirement to be fully vaccinated	Norm	Report Jan 2022
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CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence is listed at the end of these minutes.

Correspondence - that the inward be received and the outward approved.

Peter / Jill CARRIED

Congratulations to Mike for passing his Club Director exam.

SUGGESTIONS

None were received.

MEMBERSHIP

Resignations

Lloyd Bush, Jo Wake

Resignation – Deceased

The Committee noted with regret the passing of long standing member Dawn Black.

That Membership changes are approved.

Jill / Janice CARRIED

HEALTH & SAFETY – COVID-19

In anticipation of the “traffic light” system of response to the prevailing Covid-19 situation being adopted in the coming weeks, Kate advised that the Club was presently trialling a system whereby sessions were played with masks encouraged but optional, but with the expectation that members are fully vaccinated. The “optional mask” was of considerable relief to many players.

Following a detailed Health and Safety assessment of the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic in the club the Committee agreed to no longer offer access to the clubrooms to unvaccinated members. This decision was made for a variety of reasons and is to protect our senior, immunocompromised and vulnerable members. The policy will be reviewed regularly and may change depending on multiple factors such as more rapid testing becoming available in the future. A motion to this effect will be put to the Annual Meeting – see later in these minutes.

Support systems to assist members who are digitally challenged to generate the appropriate vaccination certificate documentation will be put in place.



The vaccination requirement would also apply to hirers of the clubrooms, with the onus placed on the hiring organization to require and enforce. The Club would have the right to audit..

The Hire Conditions will be updated.

ETIQUETTE

Belinda advised that she will review the etiquette articles in Finesse over the holiday period and present material in the new year.

FINANCE

John advised via e-mail that the projected loss for the financial year was \$27,000 and that the investment with First Mortgage Trust had been lodged.

That the accounts paid during October be approved.

Peter / Mike CARRIED

TASK REPORTS

1 Air Conditioning Project / Application to become a Registered Charity

Peter reported that the application for funding to the Tauranga City Council had been lodged. Norm reported that the application to become a Registered Charity had also been lodged.

We await developments.

2 Teaching

Mike reported that the last on-line lesson in the current series was presented last week.

He noted that the Mount Club are without a teacher for next year's Beginners' lessons and they will combining with us.

Kate thanked Mike for all his work with the teaching programme throughout the year, both face-to-face and on-line.

3 NZ Bridge Initiative

NZ Bridge are building a new website aimed at new players and will be attending the Wednesday session this week to film video segments for the site.

4 Sponsorship

Peter reported that he had relayed the Committee's suggestions about the proportions of the proposed foyer signs to Jones & Co. They were happy to re-draft the signs and new versions will be provided shortly.



WAIKATO-BAY REGION

1 Inter Provincial Championship

This event is being held via RealBridge over this coming weekend with 8 club members, Jo and Sam Simpson (Open), Diana and Hugh McAlister (Senior), Jan Gyenge and Stacey Hilton (Intermediate) and Kate Terry and Christine Gibbons (Women) participating. The meeting wished the Waikato-Bays teams good fortune in their endeavours.

2 RealBridge

Kate advised that the Region was investigating using this platform to host events if face-to-face tournaments proved impractical.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1 Mini-Congress 29-31 January

With the outlook uncertain for this event, an alternative plan will be prepared to hold the Congress via RealBridge with a Swiss Pairs event replacing the Pairs on the scheduled first day and teams on the remaining two days.

2 2022 Programme

A draft of the proposed club programme was shown to the committee. The main changes being:

- New trophies for the Tuesday Championship Singles thanks to a generous sponsorship from a member,
- The Championship Pairs and Singles will be part of the Thursday evening programme and will each be four session events,
- The Thursday programme will not start until 3rd March.

3 AGM

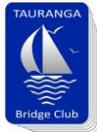
That the AGM be made available on Zoom in addition to the meeting at the Clubrooms.

Kate / Peter CARRIED

Following the discussion on the ever changing Covid situation earlier in the meeting, the Committee agreed to put the following motion to the Annual Meeting.

Remit - Health & Safety of Members

- 1 That all players and officials at club bridge sessions and at all bridge tournaments organised by or hosted by the club, or conducted in the clubrooms by other bridge organizations, must have proof of being fully vaccinated against Covid-19 in accordance with Government guidelines.
- 2 The health and wellbeing of our members is our number one priority. We will continue to use our COVID-19 protocols for day-to-day requirements. These may be amended from time to time in line with Government guidance and advice from New Zealand Bridge.



- 3 That all organizations or individuals hiring the club premises for events or functions are required to declare that all participants have proof of full vaccination against Covid-19 in accordance with Government guidelines.

Janice / Sue CARRIED

The meeting also progressed the discussion on the “Friends of the Club” proposal and the following will be presented to the AGM:

Remit – New Category of Membership

That a new category of membership be established: “Friend of the Club”.

Kate / Peter CARRIED

A Friend of the Club shall be an Ordinary member, elected by the Committee at its sole discretion based on significant financial contributions to the club or other criteria it considers relevant. A Friend of the Club shall have the same privileges and obligations as Ordinary Members.

The subscription and table money remit passed at the October meeting will be put to the Annual Meeting.

4 Xmas Party

The Club will hold the Xmas Party on Saturday 11th December but it will be restricted to 100 attendees. The Committee were invited to a decorating party in the clubrooms on Sunday 6th December at 10am.

5 Committee 2022

Kate thanked John and Peter for their sterling contribution to the club over many years.

She advised that candidates have been found to fill the Club Captain and Treasurer roles next year.

6 Events and Trophies

6.1 Championship Teams

This event has one session remaining to complete the double round-robin qualifying section but it is unlikely that the eight teams can be reassembled to finish the event. Kate will consult with the leading teams to determine whether the current leaders win the championship or the event is cancelled.

6.2 Most Improved Player

Kate agreed to consult with Judy about a winner for this trophy.



6.3 Ellie Robertson Trophy

As always there are several worthy candidates; the committee wholeheartedly agreed with Kate's choice of recipient.

6.4 Trophy Boards

If championship events have been cancelled because of the pandemic, no notation will be added to the trophy boards and trophies.

6.5 Ladders

These will be brought up to date.

MEETING CLOSED: 8:40PM

NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY 7 DECEMBER 2021 FOLLOWING THE AGM

President

Date

CORRESPONDENCE

Inward

- 1 NZ Bridge: Draft Minutes of NZ Bridge AGM 24 September
- 2 NZ Bridge: Board Meeting Minutes 17 September
- 3 NZ Bridge: From the Chair #4
- 4 NZ Bridge – Recently Qualified Club Directors
- 5 Lloyd Bush – resignation
- 6 Jo Wake – resignation
- 7 Incorporated Societies – Amended Constitution Registered
- 8 Charities Services – Charity Application

Outward

- 1 Lloyd Bush – resignation
- 2 Jo Wake – resignation
- 3 Incorporated Societies – Change of Constitution

Tauranga Bridge Club

Accounts Paid

Oct-21

<u>Payee</u>	\$
Web Widgets	28.75
TGA City Council	712.99
ADTNZ	39.10
IRD	352.94
J Masters	119.00
Mike Newton	30.00
Norm Silcock	1121.66
CSG Technology	623.24
Paymark	20.70
Just Water	71.33
EFTPOS	57.50
Trustpower	441.69
Spark	136.53
Ingham Mora	69.00
First Mortgage Trust	25,000.00
IRD	357.42
Kleana Bins	50.27
Kleana Bins	80.78
ACC	37.84
RCR Infrastructure	380.47
Maid of the Bay	360.50
Total	<u>30,091.71</u>