



## WAIKATO HOCKEY ASSN BOARD MEETING

**Date:** Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2014 7.30am

**Venue:** GHC

**Present:** Owen Embling (Chair), Truman Wee, Mike Ward, Doug Sommerville, Gregg Brown  
Declan Wyndham-Smith (CEO), Denise Hill (minute secretary)

**Apologies:** Trish McBride

**Opened meeting at 7.40am**

**Conflicts of Interest declared:**

Owen/Mike – Charitable Trust

Gregg – St Pauls Collegiate

Doug – NZ Masters Council

**Ratification of Minutes**

*The minutes from the previous meeting are a true and accurate record*

*The minutes are to be released for the website.*

*Owen /Gregg– Carried*

**Matters Arising**

Response from Midlands regarding 5 priority areas was circulated and discussed.

Midlands Hockey AGM scheduled for 24 March 2014. There was discussion on possible WHA representation on the Midlands Board.

Declan to draft a response to Midlands seeking advice of which current Board members are retiring and discuss the intention to have 2-3 WHA Board nominations to help strengthen relationships.

Declan to establish dialogue with HNZ ensuring all parties are aware of our needs.

**Finances**

Proposed that accounts tabled are a true and accurate record.

***Moved Owen/Truman--Carried***

End of Year Accounts were tabled. Moved that accounts be presented to WHA AGM for ratification.

***Moved Gregg. Owen – Carried***

Vote of thanks to Gregg and Kirsten for ensuring smooth transition to MYOB. Declan to forward Kirsten a letter of thanks.

**Strategic Plan**

Strategic plan to be presented at WHA AGM tabled.

**CEOs Report**

CEO's report tabled.

Points highlighted

- Masters Tournament Hosting 2016/2017. WHA tended to host these tournaments. Tenders included a profit share arrangement with HNZ Masters council with an increased percentage share should be allocated both years. Masters Council is considering proposal and Declan has offered to so a presentation at their meeting should they allow. Decision will be announced at Masters Tournament in March.
- Midlands Homegrown Sunday rep competition. Proceeding with 6 Mens teams (2 Waikato) and 2 Womens teams (predominantly Waikato players)
- Cow Belle Café. There is an intention to increase the use of cow bells in 2014 to strengthen the regions camaraderie. If they can be sourced each agegroup rep player will be issued with a bell. The café is to be named Cow Belle Café accordingly.
- Extended Development. Extended Development sub committee met and was presented with the ED plan for 2014. Players progress will be measured and reported

for 2014. This will ensure that ED is resourced appropriately. The Board approved Hymie Gill's appointment as the PT Extended Development officer. 1 year contract to be prepared.

- Banner to be erected at entrance is ready to be put up and Sponsorship to be sought.
- Rep Uniforms Proposed that players purchase their own tracksuit jackets. Decided to continue with current system of WHA retaining ownership.
- Technology partnership Cannon have been signed as WHA Technology partner which includes the lease of photocopier, supply of data projector and ongoing training re camera equipment etc.
- IMG – We have been working with HNZ and IMG to establish database and online registrations. Ready to proceed for 2014 once the privacy contracts have been altered to our satisfaction.
- WHA AGM 5.30pm 30 March 2014 GHC. Gregg advised he would be retiring from the Board.

#### **General Business**

- Turf availability- Discussion on the lack of turfs in relation to player numbers. Declan explained that 50% of our current usage required only ½ turf. There was an acknowledgement that there is an urgent need to address the lack of turf issue and look at solutions.

Meeting closed 9.30am

Next meeting 11.30am Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2014.



Owen Embling  
Chairman Waikato Hockey.