



## WAIKATO HOCKEY ASSN BOARD MEETING

**Date: Monday 22 June 2015 9.30am**

**Venue: GHC**

**Present:** Nick Pirihi, Owen Embling (chair), Truman Wee, Mike Ward, Robyn Polley  
Declan Wyndham-Smith (CEO), Denise Hill (minute secretary)

**Apologies:** Doug Sommerville,

**Opened meeting at 9.44am**

**Conflicts of Interest declared:**

Nick – Umpires. Midlands

Mike – Trust

Owen – Trust

Truman – Midlands's solicitor

**Ratification of Minutes**

*The minutes from the previous meeting are a true and accurate record with the amendment of time from 10pm to 10am*

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

*Owen / Robyn – Carried*

**Matters Arising**

Go Hockey shop extension. The Trust has approved the extension on the understanding that WHA will pay the costs and that Fletchers are contracted to complete.

**Midlands Update**

Nick reported that finances were tracking to budget. Accounts will be available in the near future. There were discussions on the implications of the HNZ Tournament Review recommendations especially in relation to the loss of association teams and the addition of a second regional (Midlands) team. Nick proposed that Midlands meet with the associations to provide a joint response, however it was established that the association and regional views are different as they have differing objectives. Waikato Hockey's wish is that the association and regional tournament remain but to look at the possibility of moving the association tournament away from the regional tournament timing. Robyn will circulate information on player development. Declan to draft a paper to HNZ providing feedback on Tournament Review.

**Finances**

Proposed that accounts tabled are a true and accurate record.

*Moved Owen/Truman—Carried*

Accounts for approval \$5280 F/- St Pauls

*Moved Owen/Truman—Carried*

**CEOs Report**

CEO's report tabled.

Points highlighted

- Kiwisport contract expires September. Declan has been working with Sport Waikato for future funding, expected to be \$10,000 less. The Kiwisport Officer will move his base from Sport Waikato to Waikato Hockey reducing sports house expenses.

- Judicial. There was an on field assault during a secondary school game. Mike has been working through the judicial process and is currently waiting for the offenders plea.
- Health & Safety. No incidents to report.  
The staff will meet monthly to discuss H&S matters and will provide minutes to the Board monthly. First meeting minutes were tabled and Head Injury Policy tabled as well as Health & Safety Statement for ratification. – Approved.  
H&S obligations are clear regarding employees but not so players. We have consulted Sport NZ who will provide guidelines. Hockey NZ are also preparing templates and recommendations once the new laws are passed.
- Declan shared information on a communication app to share draws etc with players. He will continue to investigate further.

Meeting closed 11.18.am

Next meeting 22 July 7.30am

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Owen', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Owen Embling  
Chairman Waikato Hockey.