



WAIKATO HOCKEY ASSN BOARD MEETING

Date: Wednesday 26 October 2016 7.30am

Venue: GHC

Present: Truman Wee, Mike Ward, Robyn Polley, Stuart McIntyre, Jenny Barkle, Declan Wyndham-Smith (CEO and minute secretary)

Apologies: Suresh Chimanlal

Opened meeting at 7.30am

Conflicts of Interest declared:

Truman – Midlands's solicitor

Mike – Trust Chair

Robyn – Sport Waikato

Ratification of Minutes

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

The minutes are to be released for the website.

Truman/ Mike– Carried

1. CEOs Report

CEO's report tabled. (points highlighted)

- Discussion held around the Under 15 Boys Development Team accommodation issues and learnings that can be made for the future
- The overall rep results were discussed and WHA had one of their most successful years ever, with only 1 team out of the top 8 (placed 9th)
- Discussion held regarding 3 current Trust projects and the funding applications currently underway. Turf 1 replacement planned for early in 2017.
- Health and Safety update, video tower rules and training were put in place for Collier tournament.
- Midlands had their most successful year ever winning Ramesh Patel shield. They won 3 of the 6 tournaments with large representation of Waikato players.
- Collier Trophy was a huge event for all the staff involved, very long hours but a successful tournament with good feedback.
- Notification that WHA has employed a Competitions Manager, a new role after changes made internally to administration roles. The successful candidate was Brett (Ned) Sanders who is known to many around hockey.

Truman/Mike- Carried

Finances

Proposed that accounts tabled are a true and accurate record.

Moved Truman / Robyn—Carried

Accounts requiring approval

- Midlands annual affiliation 2nd Instalment Account
Approved for payment *Truman / Mike – Carried*

2. Upcoming for the next month

It was noted that the following focuses for the business over the next month were

- **2017 Planning** – the hosting of the tournament and all the work that involves prior to and during the tournament
- **Summer Hockey**- is well underway with competitions on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings and Sunday afternoons.
- **Academy Summer Block** – the academy is running Mondays, Wednesdays and has game play on Fridays and the feedback so far is excellent.
- **2 Day Coaching Workshop** – we are planning a 2-day Coaching Workshop for January with guest presenters, already confirmed are Chris Leslie and Greg Nicol
- **Project Funding** – we continue the process of chasing funding for the upcoming Trust projects

Mike Ward and Robyn Polley left the meeting at 8.45am

3. Strategic Initiatives

From a Board perspective we are looking to have a Strategic topic of two to discuss each month to ensure we are planning for the future of WHA. The topic for this month was

Turf Provision in the Waikato

The Council have released their Lake Domain Draft Management Plan. This plan grants hockey extra space for a 3rd Turf. Which still needs to be approved through Public Consultation.

This brings up the question again as to our vision of the part we play in Hockey. Do we want to be the providers of turf facilities or do we want to be the facilitators of hockey across other venues i.e. our facility, plus schools and the university etc.

Both models have positives and negatives. Potentially with other venues developing turfs we could completely change the way we play hockey in the Waikato and build clubs with local school links at each of the turfs.

There was a good discussion around the pros and cons of each strategy and it was agreed to think about this topic before the next meeting and continue the discussion.

Meeting closed at 9.07am. Next meeting Wednesday 23rd November 2016

Approved minutes,



Chairperson, President