



WAIKATO HOCKEY ASSN BOARD MEETING

Date: Monday 12 July 2011 at 12.00

Venue: Sport Waikato

Present: Owen Embling (Chair) , Declan Wyndham-Smith, Truman Wee, Gregg Brown
Denise Hill (minute secretary)

Apologies: Doug Sommerville,

Opened meeting at 12.27pm

Ratification of Minutes

The minutes from the 23rd June 2011 provide a true and accurate record of the meeting. The minutes are to be released for the website.

Owen/Truman – Carried

Matters Arising

- Umpiring – Declan is meeting with Craig Gribble (HNZ umpires) during U18 tournament to discuss strategies for improvement.
- Cheque from HCC toward Turf 2 replacement received. Declan has requested a meeting with HCC regarding LTCCP
- Turf Flooding – Tigerturf are checking the drainage, high pressure jetting the surface and then giving it a serious groom to try to alleviate flooding

Regionalisation

Owen and Declan attended the Midlands Association Group meeting. Ian Francis (HNZ) presented on Regional Community Sport. There was discussion on the shared vision retaining a regional personality and working together to improve capability. All association fundamentally agreed that it would be a good idea for the region.

Declan tabled a draft heads of agreement to establish association buy in. Once this has been distributed and responded to HNZ to be consulted regarding future possibilities.

The WHA Board agreed that Midlands Inc reconstituted was the best way to proceed.

HNZ funding for Kiwisport and RDMs is dependent on regionalisation.

There was further discussion on funding and structure of the regional entity. It was felt that funding, operational structure and location needs to be established before a commitment could be made.

After further discussion The WHA Board acknowledged they were no longer prepared to fund (through Declan's salary) the work being done on regionalisation in our region and decided to forward a proposal to the MAGs group from Waikato Hockey at the meeting on 2nd August including structure, cost, location.

Truman moved that *WHA Board have received a report and resolved that as the WHA Board we will forward Waikato Hockey's Head of Agreement to the other associations to consider regionalisation of Midlands to respond by 2nd August 2011.*

Moved Truman / Owen – carried

The Board agrees in principal with the 'Heads of Agreement' and Owen will execute accordingly (subject to viewing of finalised proposal).

Meeting closed at 1.35pm.

Next meeting 16 August 2011