



WAIKATO HOCKEY ASSN BOARD MEETING

Date: Tuesday 20 September 2011 at 12.00

Venue: Sport Waikato

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

Apologies: Nil

Opened meeting at 12.10pm

Ratification of Minutes

The minutes from the 16 August 2011 provide a true and accurate record of the meeting with the addition of Mike Ward as in attendance. The minutes are to be released for the website.

Doug/Owen – Carried

Matters Arising

Defibrillator – information has been received – still to action

Finances

Payment for approval

1. St Pauls \$3714

Owen / Truman – Carried

Income at this stage of the year is minimal – Waikato academies have been launched \$180pp of which approx \$70 income will remain with WHA.

There was discussion on turf utilisation.

Proposed that accounts tabled for August 2011 are a true and accurate record.

Owen / Truman – Carried

CEO Report

Staff resignation – Cat Finlayson has been named in the Olympic squad and will be centralised in Auckland and in addition has upcoming tours. She has therefore tendered her resignation. Cat, Jack and Sport Waikato are reviewing how Kiwisport is undertaken and the outcomes that are set. The position will be advertised in November to commence duties at the end of January.

Turf flooding – Turf 1 is much improved after grooming and hydro jetting.

Lights – Water 1 – still working with Ward Chandler and Thorn to improve the lux levels.

LTCCP – Declan is working with HCC regarding an application for an additional turf to be included in the LTCCP. The application is currently being prepared.

Pavilion Extension – The Trust has decided to investigate the feasibility of undertaking the pavilion extension as a community project using labour from within the hockey community where possible. It was established that there was a need to form a committee to drive the project – Owen, Mike & Declan to meet accordingly.

Regionalisation – The Heads of Agreement has been signed by BOP, Waikato & TV. Tauranga have supported the agreement in principal only. Counties are scoping their players to determine whether they remain in Midlands or join Auckland region.

Declan to contact Counties for an immediate decision so that the next step of preparing documentation regarding Midlands Inc constitutional changes can commence.

Their immediate need is to finalise the 2012 Intercity competition. Declan has asked the regions for their proposals by 28 Sept with an outcome by 11th October.

Midlands – Discussion on the possibility of Midlands / Waikato shared admin / office services to make more effective use of staff expertise.

Life members – There is provision for Life Members in the constitution but there does not appear to be written criteria. There is a need to define 'long and outstanding service'.

Northern Region Meeting – Discussion was held regarding the Yr 5/6 rep program. It was agreed that the Yr 5/6 rep program is not based on research and best practice and that a review is required. A group with representatives from each of the 8 associations is being formed to look review with an outcome to for 2012 rep season.

Umpires –The umpires committee prepared a rationale / guidelines for selecting umpires for finals. Owen received and requested a minor addition. Owen to meet with the chair of umpires as requested. Declan explained that the RDM's role has been redefined to include administration of umpires and working on umpire pathways. A draft proposal to be submitted to CEO by the end of December.

Rep Managers report – Issues were raised in a rep manager's report and discussed by the Board. Declan to provide feedback to manager.

Strategy Reviews – It was decided that 3 meeting a year to review strategy would be scheduled. First will be held in the evening of next scheduled board meeting to be held at GHC. The Board will commence with the Overall SP including Trust / facilities and player numbers.

Meeting closed at 2.10pm.

Next meeting 5.30pm



Owen Embling
Chairman Waikato Hockey.