



WAIKATO HOCKEY ASSN BOARD MEETING

Date: Monday 15 December 2014 7.30am

Venue: GHC

Present: Trish McBride, Nick Pirihi, Doug Sommerville, Truman Wee (chair), Declan Wyndham-Smith (CEO), Denise Hill (minute secretary)

Apologies: Owen Embling

Opened meeting at 7.33am

Conflicts of Interest declared:

Mike – Charitable Trust
Truman – Solicitor for Midlands Hockey
Nick - Umpires

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– Carried

Matters Arising

Midlands Intercity Proposal – A MAG meeting was held to discuss the Intercity competition and consider Nick Pirihi's proposal. The other four Midlands Assns do not want qualification based on the previous season as they feel this would promote super clubs and discourage club loyalty. They also supported a 2 pools of 8 concept, splitting into top 8 bottom 8.

Waikato Hockey then held a meeting of the Premier team clubs to gauge their interest. All but 1 club wanted to return to Intercity but not under the format above. An acceptable format for the Men's competition was found as a first round of 4 pools of 4, then top 8 bottom 8. This would allow time for WHA to hold their local round and minimise the number of uneven games.

Everyone is fully aware that the women's competition needs to be dealt with as a separate entity when discussions are had and format decided. Ideal would be 2 pools of 5 or 2 pools of 6 dependent on entries.

Doug moved *that a recommendation be made to MAG group that the Men's competition be 4 pools of 4, top 8 bottom 8. That the women's competition be treated separately and 2 pools of 5 or 6. This would result in a competition with a maximum of 12 weeks.* Doug / Mike – Carried

Trish moved *that WHA address player management (specifically secondary school players) that will be impacted should we return to Intercity*

Trish / Doug - Carried

Finances

Proposed that EOY accounts tabled are a true and accurate record.

Moved Truman / Nick—Carried

Small surplus achieved.

Draft budget for 2015 circulated.

Of note are the increase in income in extended development and the need to get the café back on track.

The Extended Development Officer's hours to be increased to 30 hours per week to deal with the increase in development programs.

The budget was approved.

Moved Truman / Doug - Carried

CEOs Report

CEO's report tabled.

Points highlighted

- WHA to host 4 International tests, Black Sticks women vs Italy. 21,22,24,25 January 2015. These tests will incorporate a renegade tournament, VIP function and hosting the teams for a meal.
- WHA are hosting 4 International tests of the 4 Nations tournament 11/12 March 2015 and are in negotiate with HCC re hosting of the 4 Nations tournament in 2016 as well as NHL that year.
- HCC have declined the application to locate 2 x temporary buildings for Go Hockey and the umpires due to current regulations. Declan will work with Go Hockey to find an acceptable alternative for their shop.
- Several application have been received for the Kiwi Sport development Officer position and interviews will be held later this week.

General Business

WHA AGM date set as 22nd March 2015 5.30pm GHC

Meeting closed 9.07am

Next meeting TBA

To do:

Declan: to work with Go Hockey

Declan to present alternative proposal to MAG re Intercity