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MINUTES
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BOWLS NT BOARD MEETING
Meeting 26th June 2023
Commenced 6.05pm

1. **Attendance** Marty Garnett. Mal Trattles. Jen Sullivan. Joan Garner. Geoff Hunter
2. **Apologies.** Josh Van Haaren
3. **Confirmation of Minutes:** 29th May 2023

Recommended : Moved Joan Garner **Seconded** Geoff Hunter

That the minutes of the Board meeting held on 29th May 2023 as circulated be confirmed.

4. **Business arising from Minutes:**
5. **Reports**

5.1 Presidents Report:

I want to thank the Nightcliff Bowls club for hosting the over 60s. Thank you to their committee ,volunteers, umpires, the Club and the NT Match committee. A special mention to all the players who played in this four Day event and it was great to see some new faces into the finals . All the results are on the NT Bowls website and thanks to Barry for assisting in this area .With the influx of tourists into Darwin area there has been a swelling of numbers in our social bowls events around the clubs this is a great sign leading up to our bowls carnivals. Good luck to all Clubs.

Marty Garnett

Bowls NT President.

5.3 Financial Reports

5.3.1 Accounts for Payment

Comment:

The outstanding accounts be paid

Barry Orr web site and bowlslink works.

Stage and Screen purchase travel vouchers \$3,500

Resolution : **Moved** Jen Sullivan **Seconded** Joan Garner

5.3.2 Financial Statement

Comment:

The Profit & Loss Analysis for the period 1/7/2022 to 31/05/2023

Resolution : **Moved** Marty Garnett **Seconded** Geoff Hunter

Question raised on costs for Audit during the Year.

Checked records back to 2019 and we paid \$3200 that Year, \$3300 in 2020, \$3400 in 2021 and last Year \$500. The reason for this was that Auditors were so slow and did not invoice so EO did not pay until invoiced. The last financial Year we have paid \$6400 combination of the prior Year and the current financial Year. Please be mindful financial Year is to 30 June annually and we would not expect to see Auditors invoicing till maybe November or December.

6. Correspondence

Distributed by email to Board members.

Email from Bowls Australia with resignation details Andrew Gommers Merchandising.

Email from Bowls Australia with resignations three RBMs.
Sports Governance newsletter.

Out

Email to AV re Bunnings fund raising and conditions.

New co ordinator at Bunnings and he is not handling such very well. Initial emails not responded to, rang and he was to get back did not happen, further call and then he gave us one date such being in November not what was sought.

All up and going now with the first day having been successfully ran.

7. Business Arising from Delegates Meet

8. General Business.

Delegates role.

EO followed up and contacted PDG, discussed and email sent to all Board. Response back was very limited. Suggestion from MG that we raise such at next Delegates meeting and put such back on that Group for guidance going forward.

Ongoing role for Delegates discussed and it would from the discussions with Delegates and Board appear that a monthly meeting is not really necessary unless at certain time during the Year and this could be scheduled at the start of each season/ year.

S Woolston

Question raised if he could join another Club and do umpiring.

Confirmation received that player has been expelled from Darwin BC which effectively means he is also not able to be a member of any other NT or Australian Club. Nothing further to be done on this matter at this stage.

Official notification now held from the Club

Champion of Champions.

Believe this event needs to be looked at going forward. As it sits there are only two Men's entries and one Women's to date such closes the 28th June. It seems questionable the value of this event as structured if a player can get to a final having only played one match throughout the total series.

Believe opinion should be gained from Bowls Australia.

Intention was to raise matter respect to subsidies for Alice players above the \$350 but they have both emailed non-attendance one of the reasons was the high travel costs in airfares of \$1,000.

Believe again we need to look at the timing of this event such this Year clashes with Alice Springs Show , last Year was the Darwin Cup. Appreciate we need to advise BA winners but perhaps we need to miss a Year or vary the event in some way.

Discussion held and efforts will be made to ensure this event is conducted earlier into the season and avoid issues later with the dry and other events within Darwin.

Interstate subsidies.

Need to consider and decide what subsidies we will pay if we pay players competing in the individual events at the Perth Nationals.

If the player is already in W.A do we pay any subsidy ?

If the player is in more than one event do we pay more than the \$250 ?

Eacjh player competing in a single/team event at the Nationals outside the Sides / Over 60s is eligible for a one off subsidy of \$250.

Team Managers

Bowls NT By laws state that we should advertise for expressions of interest. Given that we end up appointing as a Board the person we want given aspects such as being a selector, potential reserve it seem pointless seeking nominations.

Recommend we amend the Bylaws immediately.

Board declined to accept this suggested variance and positions will continue to be advertised. Women's will be done asap Men's will need to be attended when their Sides are selected.

Alice Springs Golf Club

Seeking support from the Board to assisting ASGC getting a resurface of their green attended. The best option for the Government would be the Grant be in the names of Bowls NT identical to that which has occurred with Katherine Country Club.

Such Grant would be within the control of Bowls NT and there would be requirements / agreement from the ASGC as to having their input funds paid prior to start of any works and that they maintain a buffer available to offset any potential over runs.

Board agreed to support Alice Springs Golf Club in obtaining a Grant in its entity to replace the current grass with an artificial surface. Definite undertakings to be in place with the ASGC Board so as to ensure they have funding going into this proposal.

CEO Conference July 2023.

In anticipation of receiving a fuller picture of the BA financial position and potential for changes seeking Board directions.

**Next Meeting – 1st August 2023
Meeting closed – 7.30pm**

**Marty Garnett
President Bowls NT**