

# SA BRIDGE FEDERATION

## MINUTES OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

At SABA, 243 Young St, Unley

Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> April 2010

Meeting opened at 9.30am

1. Present:

President: Ms Dianne Marler  
Secretary: Ms Alison Fallon  
Treasurer: Ms Deb Wellman  
Committee: Mr Gary Deaton  
Ms Sue Phillips  
Mr Paul Walker  
Mr Evan Allanson  
Mr David Anderson  
Mr Graham Quinn

Observer: Ms Pam Morgan-King (Youth coordinator)

The Statement of Non Disclosure was read by the President

2. Minutes of previous meeting:

*It was moved that the minutes of the previous Management Committee Meeting held 7<sup>th</sup> February, 2010 be accepted*

**Moved: Paul Walker**

**Seconded: Gary Deaton**

**Motion carried**

4. Matters Arising:

- 1) The Treasurer reported that it would not be cost effective to move to a different financial institution. The committee agreed to leave the SABF banking arrangements as they are.
- 2) David Anderson was formally endorsed as the SABF Masterpoint secretary for 2 years.
- 3) Pam Morgan-King was formally endorsed as the SABF Youth Coordinator for the next year. SABA has transferred Youth funds held in their account to the SABF account. These will be accounted as a separate line item.
- 4) SABA advised the SABF that they have endorsed Carolyn Leach to continue as the SABA rep on the ABF Council.

5. Reports:

President's Report

The President gave a verbal report on the ANOT arrangements.

There are 67 Teams entered in the Open to date, 20 tables in the seniors' pairs, 12 in the restricted and 12 in the women's pairs. The pairs will be held in the SABA club rooms. It was agreed not to accept any entries arriving after the cut off date.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report was circulated.

- 1) *With respect to the ANC subsidy for 2010:- It was moved that the SABF provide a subsidy of \$450.00 with an extra \$200.00 for those who stay in the SABF block booked accommodation, unless alternative arrangements are approved by endorsement of the SABF management committee.*

**Moved:** Deb Wellman  
**Seconded:** Graham Quinn  
**Motion carried**

- 2) It was suggested and agreed to ask some team members to record their expenses, excluding food, incurred at Hobart this year. Pam Morgan-King (women's team) and Alison Fallon (seniors' team) agreed to keep a record.
- 3) The President and Treasurer are liaising with the SABA club manager regarding ways to improve Monday night attendances. They are revenue neutral at present. The President warned that if the SABF drops State events on Monday nights, we may lose some State events as there is no room in the bridge calendar to move them to another night.
- 4) It was noted that participation is increasing from Restricted players generally and that may be worth following up. It was confirmed that Masterpoints are under 300 for the State restricted events.
- 5) The SABF 2011 Calendar will be reviewed in August this year.

*It was moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted*

**Moved:** Graham Quinn  
**Seconded:** Paul Walker  
**Motion carried:**

Tournament Committee Report

The Tournament committee report was circulated.

- 1) *It was moved that automatic entry to the Final in the Senior's and Women's trials for the previous year's team members should only be granted if they played in the Grand Final of their competition at the ANC.*

**Moved:** David Anderson  
**Seconded:** Evan Allanson  
**Motion carried:**

- 2) *It was moved that entry be given to players in either the seniors' and women's qualifying trials who may not wish to play in the final. All players in both finals must sign a Declaration of Availability to represent the respective state team prior to playing in the Finals.*

**Moved:** David Anderson  
**Seconded:** Deb Wellman  
**Motion carried**

- 3) There was discussion on the non compliance by a lot of players with the use of STOP cards. Comments on the use of STOP cards by Thursday night Director, Rex Whitford were read to the committee. The President reminded the committee of the history behind the use of STOP cards, which was an agreement between the ABF and the NZ to standardise Zone 7 regulations. The ABF are not prepared to enforce the use of STOP cards and are allowing affiliated clubs to make their own rules re their use.

*It was moved that the SABF discontinue the use of STOP cards at State events.*

**Moved:** David Anderson  
**Seconded:** Graham Quinn  
**Motion carried**

*It was moved to accept the Tournament Committee report*

**Moved:** Paul Walker  
**Seconded:** Sue Phillips  
**Motion carried**

#### Directors' Course Report

The Director's Course report was circulated

The New Directors Course planned for 9<sup>th</sup> May has been cancelled due to low numbers

It will be run on 19<sup>th</sup> September as in the bridge calendar

Advertising to go to affiliated clubs one month before. Gary Deaton volunteered to place a notice in the SABA newsletter.

*It was moved the Director's Course Report be accepted*

**Moved:** Deb Wellman  
**Seconded:** Gary Deaton  
**Motion carried**

#### Youth Report

The Youth Report was read

- 1) Pam Morgan-King was welcomed as the new Youth Coordinator
- 2) Other Youth committee members are David Lusk, Justin Williams, Alex Lockwood and Barbara Marrett. Meetings will be held on the first Thursday of each month at 7pm at SABA and the SABF President or Secretary have agreed to attend.

- 3) It was agreed to provide funding of \$150 each to those youth players who played in the Youth event in Canberra this year. They were Hannah, Lauren, Shane and Sam.
- 4) There was discussion on the various fund raising for youth events being planned this year. Deb Wellman offered a \$50 voucher as a raffle prize

*It was moved to accept the Youth Report*

**Moved:** Sue Phillips  
**Seconded:** Evan Allanson  
**Motion carried**

#### 6. Correspondence

As listed in the agenda plus a letter from Carmel Kain

- 1) *It was moved to accept the requests from Marlene Millar, Barbara Potts and Carmel Kain to stay at alternative accommodation in Hobart due to medical circumstances and to grant them the full subsidy.*

**Moved:** Deb Wellman  
**Seconded:** David Anderson  
**Motion carried**

- 2) It was agreed to refer other matters raised in Carmel Kain's letter to the TC.
- 3) The secretary to write to all three informing them of the MC decisions

*It was moved all correspondence be accepted*

**Moved:** Evan Allanson  
**Seconded:** Deb Wellman  
**Motion carried**

#### 7. Other Business

- 1) There was discussion about showing State event finals on BBO. It was decided not to do so at this time
- 2) There was discussion 'in camera' on recent Director issues. Pam Morgan King left the room for this part of the meeting. The President is liaising with the SABA Manager re the issues discussed.
- 3) The President has prepared an ANOT running sheet for use by all involved this year and will amend as necessary for use in future years.
- 4) It was pointed out that the entry form for the ANOT reflected that there would be no free entry to the ANOT Consolation teams unless players had played in the main event. This will be announced prior to the commencement of the event.
- 5) Welcome pens have been organised to give to new ANOT players.

- 6) As the SABF webmaster, Ann Brennan, is moving interstate -  
*It was moved to endorse David Anderson as the SABF webmaster with an honorarium of \$500 per year.*

**Moved:** Paul Walker  
**Seconded:** Sue Phillips

**Motion carried**

- 7) The SABF received an application from Bridge in the City for \$66.00 to cover the cost of advertising in the local Messenger.  
*It was moved to grant the funding*

**Moved:** Deb Wellman  
**Seconded:** Evan Allanson

**Motion carried**

- 8) The President tabled an application from the Gawler Bridge Club for assistance with the cost of advertising beginners classes. Paul Walker commented that the recent classes had been successful with 11 additional players participating at the club.  
*It was moved that an amount of \$200 be sent to the Gawler Bridge Club to assist in with the recent cost of advertising.*

**Moved:** Paul Walker  
**Seconded:** Sue Phillips

**Motion carried**

- 9) The President reported that the ABF had increased SA's marketing grant from \$8000 to \$9000 following the continued good reporting received by them from South Australia in recent years. She commented that receipt of this grant in future years would depend on our continued support of the reports that the ABF requested.
- 10) A letter was tabled from committee member, Jill Allanson, re Women's and senior's Trials selection procedures. This will be forwarded to the TC.  
David Anderson to reply
- 11) The President detailed the contacts and investigations made on the State Teams behalf to obtain suitable accommodation in Hobart. One of the problems was the lack of self contained accommodation within close walking distance from the venue.
- 12) There was discussion on suitable meeting dates & times. It was agreed that Saturdays at 9.30am was suitable for most.

Meeting closed 11.15 am

**Next meeting dates:**

**Sat 19<sup>th</sup> June 9.30 am at SABA**

**Sat 31<sup>st</sup> July 9.30 am at SABA**