SA BRIDGE FEDERATION

MINUTES OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday 15 April 2015

South Australian Bridge Association

Meeting opened at 6.05 pm

1. Present:

President: Tim O'Loughlin Secretary: Margaret Walters Treasurer: Paul Walker

Committee: David Parrott – SABA

Bob Clarke - SABA
Phil Gue - ABC
David Anderson - Reynella
Jinny Fuss - St Vincent's

Lauren Travis - Youth Co-ordinator
Jill Allanson - Bridge in the Barossa

2. Apologies: Maureen Wilson - Glenelg

Sue Phillips - Bridge in the City

3. Observers: None

4. Statement of Non-Disclosure

The meeting confirmed that discussions at the meeting were not to be disclosed.

5. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the previous Management Committee Meeting held 18 March were accepted.

6. Matters Arising

- (i) The first of the Restricted Events for the selection of two pairs for the ANC Restricted Butler was conducted resulted in Terry and John Pearson Margaret Walters to devise and send a promotional flier to all SABF clubs for the second event
- (ii) Publicity and marketing Daniel Clifford a final year marketing student has offered to assist us with our marketing issues. Lauren Travis, Tim O'Loughlin and Margaret Walters meet with Daniel and have agreed to focus on recruiting at Universities. Dan will draft up a tentative proposal.
- (iii) State-wide pairs –Phil Gue has chosen a set of hands and will create an electronic file for dealing machines. Margaret Walters will create the booklet. Phil Gue will write to all SABF clubs to advise them that the Statewide Pairs will be conducted in the last week of October (i.e. 25Oct 1 Nov). Scores can be sent to David Anderson as BWS files, text files or handwritten scoring sheets. There will be a \$1 or \$2 surcharge payable to the SABF for each player participating.
- (iv) Barrier Reef Congress is being rescheduling and will result in it clashing with the ANOT. Tim O'Loughlin and Phil Gue (our delegates to the ABF) will raise our concerns re the financial implications for the ANOT at the AGM this weekend.

7. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report was emailed to the committee prior to the meeting. The ANOT entries have increased revenue. The fee for the ANOT venue has been paid.

Capitation fees will be generated at the end of April and sent out to all SABF clubs in May. The Treasurer had warned at the last meeting that we are getting close to the \$150,000 of annual income that would mean we have to register to collect and pay GST. Paul Walker advised that we are receiving 2% interest on our NAB savings account.

The Treasurer's report was accepted.

8. Tournament Committee's report

The Women's and Senior's trials have been conducted.

The Women's team will be Dianne Marler and Sue Phillips along with the winners of the teams match. Sue Emerson and Barbara Marrett with Yadi Parrott and Felicity Smyth will play off against Leonie Clarke and Anne Harris with Angela Norris and Carmel Kain.

The Seniors trails result has John Zollo and Roger Januszke qualifying with the winners of Russel Harms and Jeff Travis with David Lusk and Attilio de Luca playing against David Anderson and Peter Colmer with Alex Bremner and Bill Lockwood.

Although finishing sixth (the third placed pair were non-contending), Peter Chan and John Kikkert are not available to play in the team's match to decide the final composition of the Seniors team. This matter has been referred to the Tournament Committee to decide if they will be eligible to compete in the Seniors trials for the 2016 team.

9. ANC State Teams

The Open Trials have been completed with the team being: Justin Williams and Phil Markey; Mike Doecke and David Parrott; Joff Middleton and Phil Gallasch.

The Women's and Seniors Teams Playoff will decide the final composition of these teams.

Lauren Travis advised that the players who competed in the SA Youth Team in 2015 are not available this year. Those eligible and available are Lauren Travis, Jarrad Dunbar, Shane Harrison and Sam Shultz. Jack Markey may also be available. Margaret Walters and Lauren Travis will investigate new uniforms for the Youth team.

The need to appoint a Manager of the state teams will be decided at the next Management Committee meeting. The current role description for this position will updated and a new version will be circulated prior to the next meeting.

10. Youth Bridge

Because so few youth players were available to play in the youth team trials, the competition was cancelled. Lauren Travis advised that the Youth Committee will meet next week and the recommendation from this committee re the composition of the Youth team will be brought to the next Management Committee meeting in May.

11. ANOT 2015

Jinny Fuss has reported that to date the entries are:

Swiss Pairs Open	37 (2014)	31 (2015)
Swiss Pairs Seniors	25 (2014)	32 (2015)
Swiss Pairs Womens	28 (2014)	22 (2015)
Swiss Pairs ULM	25 (2014)	27 (2015)
Teams Open	65 (2014)	50 (2015)

Teams ULM 10 (2014) 11 (2015) Graded Pairs 35 (2014) 11 (2015)

With two weeks before the event starts, more entries are likely to be received.

It was also pointed out that many entries for the Monday Graded Pairs are received the day before.

Jinny reported that the quotes for providing hospitality to the players at the close of play on the Friday were approx. \$33 per person or drinks priced individually at \$30 a bottle of wine and \$7.50 per stubby. It was agreed that the presentation for the winners of the pairs' competitions will be made prior to the start of play on Saturday morning.

Regarding suspended players, we will need written notification from the ABF before a player can be denied the right to play in an ABF event such as the ANOT.

12.ABF Management Committees Issues

As discussed in "Business Arising from the Previous Minutes", Tim O'Loughlin and Phil Gue will raise this at the ABF AGM.

13. Teacher Training Programme

Joan Butts has contacted the SABF to ask if our members who attended the recent Teacher Training Programme would like to attend the Continuing Development Programme. This is a six hour workshop that will be partially funded by the ABF – the SABF would cover the costs for marketing, venue, copying and food. Margaret Walters will write to Joan Butts to recommend the weekend of 12/13 September as the most suitable. Barossa and Gawler were also keen for Joan to run another workshop for their clubs on the following or preceding day.

14. Other Business

Marketing Grants –

It was agreed to provide \$300 and \$700 in marketing grants to the Gawler and Barossa bridge clubs respectively.

15. Next meeting

The next meeting will be held at 9.30am on Saturday 23 May at the Adelaide Bridge Centre.

The meeting closed at 7.30pm.