MINUTES OF MEETING OF VBA COUNCIL

Held 11th March, 2009 at 5.30 p.m. At the VBA Clubrooms, 131 Poath Road, Murrumbeena

Present: J. Collins President

J. Hackett

S. Hinge Vice President
S. Klofa Vice President
F. McConvill Treasurer

C. MacQuarrieB. MorganC. ParkinM. ShenkerJ. Thompson

In Attendance: C. Lachman

The meeting opened at 5.30 p.m.

The minutes of 4th February were accepted. Moved B. Morgan, seconded S. Klofa

Managers report presented by C. Lachman

New members ratified, moved by S. Klofa, seconded C. Parkin

Action Jeanette to speak to Ian McCance re funding of side tables for the VCC. Cathie to send reminder to clubs re state capitation fees to be in by 31/3

Cathie has sent a letter to the ABF re 3 delegates from the club going to their AGM in Canberra. They are S. Hinge, J. Collins and D. Smith.

<u>Treasurers report</u> presented by F. McConvill, seconded by S. Hinge Noted that app. \$4,000 was donated to the bush-fire appeal, with money being contributed from every session, one week after the fires. Moved by J. Thompson, seconded by S. Hinge.

Frank made a recommendation to raise Cathie's salary, and to have it reviewed at the beginning of each year. Moved by J. Thompson, seconded by B. Morgan.

MTC report presented by S. Hinge

He noted that there will be a meeting in April re electronic scoring and software for the future. He is now chairman of the IT committee with B. Howe and others.

Martin and Frank have suggested to have a restricted GNOT with finals, and qualifiers represented in State finals. So 1 of the 4 open spots will be restricted.

VBA development

Papers have been presented to council and are now awaiting decision to be made.

Any other business

- <u>Bridge promotion</u> Discussion arose re several ideas including looking for a publicity officer.
- Jan Hackett to do a teaching session on-line for teachers to use.
- Deciding on date for next teachers meeting
- Libby Thompson, president of ERBA, has accepted an invitation to attend council meetings

Meeting closed at 7.25 p.m. Next meeting 5.30p.m. April 1st, 2009