MINUTES OF MEETING OF VBA COUNCIL

Held Wednesday, 4 January 2012 (Meeting 1, 2012) At the VBA Clubrooms, 131 Poath Road, Murrumbeena

Chairperson; J.Collins

The meeting opened at 5.30pm

Present:

J. Collins	President
N. Ewart	Treasurer
S. Hinge	Vice President
S. Klofa	Vice President
K. Frazer	Secretary
T. Blizard	
R. Ellery	
S. Weisz	
R. Stewart	
H. De Jong	
P. Fent	

A. Stavik

Also Present: C. Lachman

1. Apologies:

J. Thompson

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

2.1 Motion:

That the minutes of the meeting of December 14 2011 be accepted:

Moved: S. Weisz Seconded: S. Hinge CARRIED

Matters arising from the minutes of December 14, 2011

K. Frazer outlined the rationale for the recommendation of Colin Campbell as the new Masterpoint secretary.

2.2 Motion:

That Colin Campbell be appointed the Victorian State Masterpoint Secretary

Moved: K. Frazer Seconded: N. Ewart CARRIED

3. Correspondence

In:

- a. Email from I. Del Monte
- b. ASIC notification of changes in Directors

Out:

- a. Response to R. Kingham
- b. Response to G. Schaller
- c. Letter to SABA re Bridgemate Agreement

4. Reports:

a. Club Manager (C. Lachman)

Report tabled.

It was highlighted that the GNOT was not covering costs.

4.1 Motion:

That the GNOT fees charged by the VBA be increased by an amount to cover the GST cost.

Moved: A. Stavik Seconded: S. Weisz CARRIED

b. <u>Sub-committees</u>

i. Interim Committee

Stephen advised a meeting of the interim committee had been held 4/1/12.

ii. IT sub-committee 2012 (Rob Stewart) - report tabled

A discussion on the options available for providing visual displays, scoring & session management by the directors was discussed. An estimated price of \$5000 - \$6000 for initial setup was advised.

4.2 Motion:

That Rob Stewart be authorised to acquire the additional technology, software, new server and three workstations to enable the bridge-mates to be operational in all sessions as soon as possible.

Moved: R. Stewart Seconded: P. Fent CARRIED

It was noted that further requirements for IT development, including quotes for electrical works and building modifications to accommodate the new setup would be presented at a future meeting.

iii. House Sub-committee (Robert Ellery)

Some options for how this sub-committee might operate were outlined. The sub-committee will comprise Robert, Henri De Jong, Anton Stavik, Tim Blizard & Jeannette Collins. Some other club members will be approached to participate.

iv. VCC (Kim Frazer) – report tabled for information.

5. General Business

a. Prioritise remaining activities for 2012, and establish owners/sub-committees to action (Stan Klofa)

It was a resolved that a Finance sub-committee be set up comprising Neil Ewart, Jenny Thompson and Stephen Weisz.

It was resolved that Tim Blizard will become the contact point for the marketing & promotion activity.

b. Website club data update (email letter from Blaine Howe)

It was resolved that N. Ewart will discuss website management costs with Blaine and come to an agreement. Blaine to be requested to attend next meeting and outline requirements for website.

c. Anzac Pairs Proposal (Robert Ellery)

Robert outlined a proposal for developing the Anzac pairs congress. Council members to review proposal and provide constructive feedback to Robert.

The meeting closed at 7.15 p.m.

Next Meeting: Wed: February 8th 2012 at 5.30pm

Signed: J. Collins; President