

NORTH SHORE BRIDGE CLUB

MINUTES for the COMMITTEE MEETING held via Zoom

At 4:45pm Thursday 17 June, 2021

- 1. Attendees:** David Fryda (Chair), Les Grewcock, Maryann Russett, Elana Kohn, Mark Guthrie and Winston Horne. Also, Gary Barwick and Liam Milne were in attendance. John McIlrath sent his apologies.
- 2. Approval of Minutes.** The Committee meeting minutes 20th May were approved.
- 3. President's message regarding meetings.** David reiterated his previous message that reports by Committee members should be loaded onto Dropbox 72 hours before Committee meetings. Committee members are expected to read the reports before the meeting. The reports will be taken as read so that the meeting can focus on questions and answers and key discussion points.
- 4. Face-to-Face Managers Report.** Liam's report covered the Festival of Bridge, proposed new F2F sessions, welcome videos at F2F sessions, a North Ryde promotional campaign, a report on the Margaret Smale Interclub congress held on 23 May, soon-to-be-held F2F lessons and the Hyegrove Willoughby sponsorship. He asked for help finding standby players for the Festival of Bridge. He also asked the Committee's view on which new F2F sessions to hold. The Committee thanked Liam for his report.
- 5. Online Manager's Report.** Gary's report provided a comparison of current combined table numbers versus 2019. Also, the new Partnership Desk was discussed. An analysis of Restricted Sessions table numbers and membership numbers were noted in Gary's report. Finally, RealBridge table numbers by day were reviewed. The Committee thanked Gary for his report.
- 6. President's Report.** David discussed the Marketing proposal he received from Blaze Marketing. David will send the proposal to Committee members by email asking for feedback. David reported on the Chatswood premises indicating there had not been much activity on the DA approval process. The lease has been signed and will take effect on 1st August, 2021. The lease allows us to not proceed in the event the DA is not approved. The Committee suggested David update Club members about the Chatswood premises. Finally, the Committee approved holding two separate events: a staff party and a members event. David asked for volunteers to work on these two events.
- 7. Vice President's Report.** Committee members were asked to provide feedback on John's reports regarding the Tournament Sub-committee and the Business Development Sub-committee reports. Committee members agreed to contact John directly with any feedback.
- 8. Treasurer's Report.** Les discussed the financial results for the Club for the five months ended 31st May. The Club continues to operate at a loss. However, this was expected given JobKeeper funding ceased at the end of March 2021, there were some large one-off costs in the first five months. Les indicated the strategy is to get to a small monthly profit by the end of the year. Les is calculating the amount of cash the Club needs for the next six months in order to assess how much cash is available for investing.
- 9. Secretary's Report.** Maryann asked if there were any questions regarding the Administration Sub-committee report. There were none.
- 10. Teaching & Training Sub-committee report.** Elana's report was noted. Elana was delighted to report that 44 members attended Anita Curtis's F2F teaching session recently held. More intermediate F2F sessions are planned for July.

- 11. Technology Sub-committee report.** Mark indicated this sub-committee is working on a mandate for the club which will be linked to the Marketing sub-committee.
- 12. Club Welfare Officer.** This topic was not discussed due to time constraints. Elana asked Committee members to send her via email any comments they have on this topic.

The meeting ended at 6:15pm.

David Fryda - President