

# MINUTES

## ABF Management Committee Meeting

August 6<sup>th</sup> 2006

Holiday Inn, Hindley Street, Adelaide

10.00am

**Present:** Keith McDonald (President), Keiran Crow-Mai (Treasurer), Dianne Marler and Andrew Halmos

**In Attendance:** Eilis Magner (General Counsel), Martin Willcox and Jane Rasmussen, Secretariat

**Apologies:** Richard Grenside (Secretary)

**2. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting July 8th and 9th 2006**  
Confirmed and amended 11c.

**3. Matters Arising**

Matters outstanding from previous minutes.

EM	Write QBA and CTD for copy of Directors Report.	Pending
EM	Disclaimer for Bridge Tours page – Draft to be written	Pending
EM	Treasurer to review Tax Position	Pending
JR/KCM	Letter of appointment to new Youth Coordinators	Pending
KCM	Letter to Captains	Ongoing
KCM	Guidelines for notifying of Captain	Ongoing
KCM	3 year renewal	Ongoing
KCM	License agreement modification and mailout	Ongoing
KCM	Contact Entrepreneurs	Ongoing
MW	McCutcheon Point for Playoffs	Ongoing
RG	Historical Information on past players	Ongoing

Matters arising from July meeting

EM	Check on tax status of JOS and ABF accounts	Pending
EM	Write to Oz-One re: name	Pending
JR	Write to FcM Travel	Pending
JR	Certificate of title for NSWBA	Pending

## Correspondence

### 4. Presidents Report

- (a) CBC own SF name. \$1500 for ownership of name. President to write to CBC. **Action KM**
- (b) Secretariat to send a copy of the JOS Trust Deed to all MC Members **Action JR**
- (c) Secretariat to send recorder guidelines to State Secretaries **Action JR**
- (d) Blue cards are required by all teachers, captains and all officials dealing with children. ABF policy that all officials representing the ABF must comply with their State policy.
- (e) A request from the Tournament Unit for additional resources to cover a range of issues. The Management Committee approved the Executive Secretary to act as a member of the Tournament Unit. Travel and Accommodation costs only to be provided.
- (f) President to meet with Zone 7 President early September.
- (g) ABF to make a donation of \$1000 in the name of Keith McNeil to the JOS Foundation.
- (h) MC approved the purchase of a plaque for the JOS Foundation.
- (i) MC approved the replacement of the Gerda Stern Trophy.

### 5. Secretary's Report

Tabled

### 6. Secretariat Report

No Report

### 7. Treasurer's Report

- (a) Letter to Captains needs to be updated to include availability of players, access to leave, check on application for leave **Action KCM**
- (b) Treasurer investigating investing ABF funds in a higher interest earning account. **Action KCM**
- (c) Collection of data for Bridge for Brains 2007 to utilize NWP site. **Action KCM**

### 8. Legal Counsel Report

- (a) Fred Curtis has now resigned from the National Authority. The Management Committee accepted his resignation and thanked him for his services. B Travis to be approached to be a member of the National Authority. **Action JR**
- (b) Altered the current System Regulations section 9.6.
- (c) Drafted the letters for the Trustees of the JOS Trust Fund. Secretariat to send to trustees to sign. **Action JR**
- (d) Appeals reports from the ANC to be posted on the web. Contact P Gue for originals. **Action JR**
- (e) Concern at the amount of time taken to post minutes on the website. Secretariat to send to Legal Counsel. Add relevant attachments for councillors. **Action RG**

### 9. Tournament Committee Report and Tournament Unit Report

- (a) Use of bidding boxes at the Summer Festival, not practical at this time. Management Committee asked that written bidding continue for the Summer Festival.
- (b) SWPT will have 8 teams from each venue.
- (c) Gold Coast Congress in 2008 will be one week later 23rd February to 1st March 2008.
- (d) Currently working on Regulations for Last Train and Playoffs.
- (e) Convenors need to consult with the Tournament Committee.
- (f) Request for playoff points for Oz-One players.
- (g) Paper to be written on forming a 9th State, the ABF Club. More formal discussion with States. **Action MW**
- (h) Request for a Data Projector for use at ABF events. Matter referred to Finance Committee. **Action KCM**
- (i) ANC Handbook has been updated.
- (j) Need to formalize events that BBO is to be used.

(k) ANC System disclosures to be an agenda item at President's Meeting.

- 10. Central Masterpoint Committee Report**  
(a) Briefing paper presented. Send to all State Secretaries. **Action JR**
- 11. Youth Committee Report**  
Jacquie Williams and David McDonald, Youth Coordinators are to be invited to attend the next Management Committee Meeting in Sydney. Write to Chairman of Youth Committee to invite to the meeting in November in Canberra with a report. Request Chairman to send a letter of appointment to the Youth Coordinators. **Action RG**
- 12. Oz-One**  
No Report
- 13. GNOP**  
General agreement from the States. Further financial breakdown of costs involved to be sought. **Action RG**
- 14. Women's Committee**  
Increase in numbers especially from New Zealand.
- 15. License Agreements**  
List of agreements are in place.
- 16. Mid Year Meeting**  
Standard letter to be sent to all committees to have a report by the MC Meeting in November. **Action RG**
- 17. Other Items**  
(a) Regulations for status of Australian Player to be sent to V Demuy. **Action JR**
- 18. Next Meeting**  
September 23 and 24 - Sydney

Meeting closed at 3.20pm