

Minutes of the June 2018 Board Meeting of Inline Hockey New Zealand (IHNZ)

Date: 24th of June 2018
Time: 1030am
Venue: 9b Mahunga Drive, Mangere Bridge, Auckland
Present: Mark Sutton, Ivan Wood (Chair), Alison Storey (Independent), Sue Kennedy, Simon Lovell, Pete Shields, Sam Talbot (Administrator)

1. Welcome

The Chair Welcomed the Board Members and set the agenda for the meeting.

2. Administration

Xero Access. The Board resolves to limit IHNZ Xero access to the Chair, Treasurer, and the Sports Administrator.

Central Password Registry. A central password registry is to be created for all IHNZ passwords using Keypads with restricted access. A list of entities requiring passwords to be formulated.

3. Communication

Sport Waikato have asked the IHNZ Board to take leadership on allegations over bullying and a bullying culture within an IHNZ affiliated club. The Board will send a letter to the individual concerned asking for an outline of facts and evidence surrounding the matter in accordance with Clause 10.1 and Clause 10.2.2 of the IHNZ Constitution. On receipt of the facts and evidence from the individual concerned the Board will put forward a disciplinary panel drawn from within the sport but not attached or affiliated in any way with the Club concerned or the parties concerned. The Board will also re-write disciplinary procedure, and review the Code of Conduct to ensure it falls inline with the Constitution, as well as add some items back into the Rule Book.

Resolution put forward to send a letter to the concerned individual put forward by Pete Pete Shields, seconded by Ivan Wood. Motion passed.

Resolution to re-work disciplinary procedure put forward by Alison Storey, seconded by Ivan Wood. Motion passed.

Capital Penguins. The Capital Penguins submitted a letter to the Board in relation to the 2018 Events Notice whereby the documents wording which states that male players may play in two mixed age grade teams and females may play in one age mixed grade team and one women's (junior or senior) team. This issue was raised by the Penguins because clubs that are not entering a Junior or Senior Women's Team would then be limited to the women to playing for one team. The Penguins asked that the wording be changed so that all players may play in two mixed age grade teams irrespective of gender. The Board felt that the Capital Penguins made some excellent points as IHNZ aims to continue to grow and promote female participation in Inline Hockey.

As an outcome of the Board Meeting the Capital Penguins have been asked to apply for special dispensation around the matter.

Simon Lovell motioned that the dispensation request be submitted by the Capital Penguins, Ivan Woods seconded. Motion passed.

4. National Championships

Special Meeting. National Championships seen as an opportunity to hold a special meeting. Board to investigate the requirements around this.

Nationals Organising Committee. A National Organising Committee is to be put in place to organise the Nationals event. The Nationals Organising Committee will consist of

1. Sam Talbot
2. Krys Beardman
3. Michelle Wood (Draw)

Sue Kennedy to put together a Job Description for both Sam Talbot and Krys Beardman with regards to responsibilities around the Championships.

Entrants. An informal survey of Clubs to be undertaken to assess likelihood and numbers of 35+ teams entering.

Event Resources. Medals to be finalised alongside banners, and plaques.

International Referee. A motion was put forward to have an international referee attend and referee games within the National Championships, with likely education sessions

with the International Referee for local referees both before and after the National Championships preferable and to be confirmed. Funding options around referee education to be explored.

Live-streaming. Live-streaming was used as a way to broadcast the National Championships in 2017. IHNZ will now seek a minimum of three quotes as per best business practice from a minimum of three suppliers in order to apply for funding for the provision of the service. The outcome of the process will be based around best business practice.

Ivan Wood motioned that the decisions around the National Championships be accepted, Pete Shields seconded. Motion passed.

Ivan Wood motioned that the decision to seek funding for the education element of the International Referee's New Zealand visit, Pete Shields seconded. Motion passed.

5. Sports Administrator

Funding. Funding and grants is to be sought for the Sports Administrator role.

Ivan Woods motioned that the decision to seek funding for the Sports Administrator role be accepted, Sue Kennedy seconded. Motion passed.

6. Discipline

Mustangs vs. Miners incident at QBT. The incident saw a Miners Goalie strike another a Mustangs player between the legs causing the player to drop. The player was issued a double minor for slashing and not ejected from the game in line with the rules of the game. The matter has subsequently been dealt with by the Waihi Miners internally and IHNZ don't propose taking the issue any further.

It was noted by the Board that its not advisable to put such matters into the public arena via social media and then expect a result.

7. Policy

Unsanctioned events. A discrepancy in policy was identified around the running of unsanctioned events in competition to IHNZ sanctioned events. This discrepancy will require the sanctioning document to be modified.

Ivan Woods motioned that the decision to modify the sanctioning documentation be accepted, Pete Shields seconded. Motion passed. Alison Storey to put the revised policy forward.

8. Referees

Referee committee. Simon Lovell to instigate funding for local referees. Simon Lovell will also bring the Referees Committee together and put together a budget for their needs and put this forward to the Board.

9. Inter-Regionals

IHNZ Representative. Sue Kennedy will be IHNZ's representative handling the Inter-Regionals for 2018.

Ivan Woods motioned the decision to appoint Sue Kennedy as the IHNZ representative to the Inter-Regionals for 2018 be accepted, Pete Shields seconded. Motion passed.

Grades. IHNZ to provide clarity around what grades are going to be involved within the Inter-Regional competition.

10. Overdue Payments

Hamilton Inline Hockey Club (HIHC)/Central Region Inline Hockey Club (CRIHC). IHNZ have been asked to intervene as a third-party by CRIHC in the delay in HIHC returning the sum of \$2,030.00 mistakenly paid by CRIHC to HIHC in January 2018. To date the funds have not been returned, and no reasonable explanation has been forthcoming from the club (to date).

IHNZ to send a 7-day payment request to HIHC in relation to the overdue payment or the matter will be passed over to a debt collector. Alison Storey motioned the decision to be approved and Sue Kennedy seconded. Motion passed.

11. Resignations

Pete Shields. Pete Shields advised that he would be stepping down from the Board after long and successful commitments to various Boards both Nationally and Regionally in New Zealand over the past 15 years. Ivan Wood (Chair) accepted Pete Shield's resignation from his Board role, which will become effective once a suitable candidate is found to replace Pete Shields.

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