



# Fencing New Zealand

(Fencing New Zealand Incorporated)

## Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Fencing New Zealand Incorporated

<b>DATE</b>	Sunday 10 October 2021
<b>START/FINISH</b>	7.00 pm
<b>LOCATION</b>	Skype
<b>CHAIR</b>	David Elder
<b>ATTENDEES</b>	David Elder (Chairman), Nicole Martin, Steve Martin, Rachel Rowlands-Clarke, Amanda Hopkins, Kyle Macdonald, Vanda Symon, Grant Twedde, Alice Boyd, Hamish Bulmer, Sunnie Sun
<b>APOLOGIES</b>	

	ITEM	ACTION	OWNER	DUE
1	<b>Quorum</b>	Confirmed. Welcome to Sunnie Sun who has stepped up to Acting President of Fencing North after the resignation of David to take up the role of Acting President of Fencing NZ.		
2	<b>Minutes of previous meeting</b>	Minutes of meeting 5 September 2021 confirmed.  Matters arising: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Referee representation for OC</li> <li>- Athletes Commission Chair – postpone to next meeting – David to discuss with Anna Chalton</li> </ul>	David/Vanda Carried	
3	<b>Financials</b>	<b>Financial report</b> received.  <b>Signatories</b> for accounts to be resolved.	Amanda/Rachel	
4	<b>Health &amp; Safety</b>	Nothing to report.		
5	<b>Competitions and Calendar for 2022</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- U20s postponed – now CANCELLED</li> <li>- Schedule for 2022 – formally approved</li> <li>- A question was raised about the focus of Fencing NZ on the Commonwealths. Currently the Board is focussing on the Commonwealth team, given the potential size of the team and the focus in the past. Assistance will also be given for other competitions. For example, the Australian Cadet and U15 competition normally has a significant team attending. What about Senior World Championships just before the Commonwealths? Focus on Commonwealth/Olympic cycle to be discussed at a future strategy session.</li> </ul>		

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Camp for January 2021 – 2<sup>nd</sup> camp in July, date to be confirmed. Input from the Commissions for coaching and refereeing – will be a comprehensive camp (as for 2021). Commonwealth candidates will be expected to attend the camp. But the camp will be for all levels of fencing. Fencing North using funding left over from 2021 to subsidise the camp – but a fee will be applicable to all fencing participants.</li> </ul>		
6	<b>Commonwealth Fencing Planning</b>	<p>Proposed Selection Policy – Agreement has been reached on how to reach selection essentially as follows (but subject to minimum skill set):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 1 person from the top of the ranking list – but not if not on the Long List</li> <li>- Winner from the Easter tournament</li> <li>- Other 3 positions selected by Selectors</li> </ul> <p>Non-resident fencers’ selection will be considered on other results Easter competition a compulsory event (for NZ residents and international (Asian) if borders are open with free travel and no quarantine) <b>Final Selection Policy to be agreed by email.</b></p> <p>2022 CFC Plan completed – reflects document presented in September. Proposed that Fencing NZ fund:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Team Entry Fees</li> <li>- Pins for team events</li> <li>- Embroidered patches</li> <li>- Management team uniform</li> </ul> <p>Budget of \$10,000 plus \$5,000 contingency. Amanda to check budget.</p> <p>Accommodation – discussed whether team should stay together. Agreed that Seniors and Juniors/Cadets should stay together in same accommodation – and strongly recommended for Veteran fencers.</p> <p>Training Camps – Fencers expecting to go to London should attend the camps</p> <p>Travel agency/airline – discussed a “preferred” provider. Will investigate further. Reluctant to choose an Agent in current climate.</p> <p>Endorse the project plan subject to a few small amendments – budgets – travel. The Plan plus Selection Policy to be provided in a new folder on the website</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Amanda/Steve Carried</p>		
7	<b>Commissions</b>	<p>Officiating Commission – reviewing the Terms of Reference. To be completed. Focus on governance with Regions tasked with management of the competitions.</p> <p>Term of appointment – to be reviewed for all Commissions – appointment and removal of members.</p> <p>All Commission Terms of Reference to be reviewed/completed.</p> <p><b>Asian B exam</b> – no one from NZ. Learnt late that the C Exam was not a requirement for this year’s B exam.</p> <p><b>Olympic Solidarity Fund</b> – Dave Barson reviewing and completing. Deadline end October.</p>		

8	<b>Regional reports</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Calendar for 2022 planning in progress.</li> <li>- Training in Level 2 conditions</li> <li>- No training in Auckland apart from Online</li> </ul>		
8	<b>Privacy</b>	Still searching for a Privacy Officer. President takes this role in the meantime.		
10	<b>Other business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Image Policy</b> – circulate again and will review at next meeting</li> <li>- <b>Membership Tiers</b> – ongoing – need to approve by end November</li> <li>- <b>FIE Congress</b> – nominations – agreed to nominate Mark Rance to the Veteran’s Council (re-election)</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;">Amanda/Steve Carried</p> <p>Board only time.</p>	Amanda Mark/David	