

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Board is supportive of coloured uniforms, except black, including breeches. There was concern that dying of the material could cause structural integrity issues, and that therefore only cplourde clothing provided by the manufacturers could be approved. Complaint that the Commission tenures are not being adhered to. The current Commission Review is intended to cover this. • Liam nominates Neil Cox as Triage Administrator. Seconded by Hamish. Accepted and carried unanimously. • Complaint re. Junior World’s non-selection from three foilists. Firstly handled by Selection Commission, then the Welfare Panel, then was taken to Sports Tribunal. They declined to uphold the appeal, citing the Selection Policy was used correctly. • Result to be posted on the website with a link to the Sports Tribunal decision. <p>4.3 Selection Policy Review, taken as read DRAFT Selection Policy – requirements DRAFT Selection Policy – Initial revision Sheldon responded to questions from the Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An abridged copy of the draft selection policy was shared at meetings held with members over the previous 2 nights. A full copy of the policy was not able to be shared as it has not been reviewed or approved by the Board for distribution as the draft. • Anecdotal feedback showed 95-98% were highly supportive of the draft. • Majority of questions asked could be answered by reading of the entire policy. • The new policy provides a pathway for someone with limited finance but a lot of skill to represent NZ. • The policy provides to send the top ranked within the ranking system, that have nominated for a certain event, with no overseas experience required except for Olympics • Next steps; talk to people outside of fencing: gymnastics, boxing; also talking to consultants. • Hope to be completed by June/July, give 6 months for people to familiarise themselves, then to be fully implemented for next season. • The working group needs to decide on one proposal, with the fundamental qualifying criteria clearly outlined for the broader membership. The Board then needs to endorse the initial draft. • The final policy for approval needs to come to the Board in conjunction with the Ranking System. • Grant to share his feedback by email to Sheldon. • The exposure draft, approved by the Board for feedback, be circulated to members to provide feedback. Then the resulting recommendations can be shared with the Board for consideration. • Go with an initial draft, then add missing points for consideration e.g. 24 months return to NZ. • Special Board Meeting agreed for end of April to discuss further. • Selection Committee to provide one draft with options at the Special Meeting. It will then be shared by the regions with the clubs. Feedback to then be collated within a month. Final decisions can then be available for the Board in May. 	<p>David</p> <p>Amanda</p> <p>Sheldon</p> <p>Grant</p> <p>Grant</p> <p>Simone</p>	
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5.	Regional Reports	<p>Taken as read</p> <p>5.1 North</p> <p>5.2 Central</p> <p>5.3 Mid-South</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Had no one stand for the 3 executive roles; so may need to dissolve the Incorporated Society. SGM planned for May 4th. <p>5.4 South</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Have drafted own constitution; confirmation needed that it lines up with the Fencing NZ Constitution. 	Hamish	Grant
6.	Commission Reports	<p>Taken as read</p> <p>6.1 Coaching Commission</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Equipment Standards – possibility of Under 15 having one standard, rather than FIE. Request for Health & Safety to do a review of injuries occurred/occurring, and review ACC claims for Fencing. Officiating has 12-18 months incident reports for analysis. <p>6.2 Athletes Commission</p> <p>6.3 Officiating Commission</p> <p>6.4 Selectors Commission</p>	Martin	
7.	Governance Issues	<p>7.1 Constitutional review – verbal update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submissions received in response to the discussion paper raised several points currently being worked through. Propose Special Board meeting to discuss changes to original recommendations. Special Board Meeting agreed for 28th April to discuss further. . <p>7.2 Commission Review</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Simone appointed to take over lead of Commission review with a goal of completing by end of July Simone to follow-up with Will to confirm current status of review. Grant willing to assist with advice. Kate available to assist Simone. 	Amanda/Grant	Simone
8.	Other Business	<p>8.1 Veteran Officer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Needs to be seen in the context of the Development Plan. Role should be open for nomination as part of a transparent process. Should report to National Development, not Board. 		

