



Fencing New Zealand

(Fencing New Zealand Incorporated)

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

DATE	Sunday 5 May 2019
START/FINISH	7.00 pm until 8.56 pm
LOCATION	Skype
CHAIR	Mark Rance
ATTENDEES	Mark Rance (Chairman), Amanda Hopkins (Sec.General), Richard Johnstone, Vicci Lamb, Kyle Macdonald, Steve Martin, David Elder, Alice Boyd, Steve Clarke, Nicola Shackleton, Dave Barson
APOLOGIES	Vanda Symon, Neil Young

	ITEM	ACTION	OWNER	DU E
1.	Quorum	Confirmed.		
2	Previous Minutes	<p>7 April 2019</p> <p>MOVED as a true and accurate record</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Amanda/Richard Carried</p> <p>Matters arising: Notification of the decision on women fencing in men's national events posted. Looking at funding opportunities to promote women in sport. World Championships pre-camp – Sheldon Ogilvie was successful in gaining the place allocated to the OFC. Disciplinary Hearing – see below.</p> <p>Actions reviewed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Website – Site plan and project description sent out to subcommittee for review. Membership categories – spreadsheet entry to be tested Commissions' call for expressions of interest -WIP Head knock protocol – reviewed by Richard with comments to Neil this week. 14 September – facilitation confirmed for strategic review – costs to be assessed to confirm venue and city. 	<p>Dave B Richard Amanda</p>	
3	Financial Report	<p>Financial Report received.</p> <p>Insurance – NZI have imposed an exclusion for liability arising from competitions; Marsh is looking to renegotiate cover terms approach other underwriters. Richard is continuing to liaise with Marsh and will report to FeNZ and regions prior to renewal 30.06.19</p>	Richard	
4	Health & Safety	<p>Incident Reports -</p> <p>No incident reports received. U15/Cadet reports to be forwarded to Neil.</p>	Vicci	
5	Membership categories	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spreadsheet for School and Clubs to be tested. Both North and Mid South had received feedback that the Junior and Club categories were confusing. Wording to be reviewed. join@fencing.org.nz email to be created with an automated reply pointing to 	<p>Dave E/Oliver Steve M./Dave</p>	

		Club pages on website.		
6	Competitions	<p>6.1 Feedback on National U15 Oceania Cadets – some initial feedback received. Waiting for final report from organisers.</p> <p>6.2 Asian Championships – late application for Women’s Epee – selected on basis of third team member. Selection will be finalised after confirmation of nationality.</p> <p>World Championships – S Ogilvie successful in selection to the World Championship Camp. This is a fully funded camp including travel. There is no additional funding available from OFC (FIE).</p> <p>6.3 Olympic Long List – NZOC running an operational meeting on 30th May. More information will be available before this date. Amanda attending the meeting. Long list to include fencers who are attempting to qualify and are attending FIE events as per our Olympic selection criteria.</p> <p>6.4 World University Games – S Ogilvie was selected to attend but has declined the offer due to the logistics and inability of the NZ team to provide support – the games are based in and near Naples and the fencing is taking place at a venue away from the rest of the team. Felt not the best tournament given the cost and support.</p> <p>6.5 Australian National U15/Cadet – Sydney – have received 28 nominations – 21 boys and 7 girls. Accommodation will be Meriton Mascot rather than YHA Sydney so that the venue is within walking distance.</p>		
7	National Development Programme	Draft paper with Mark for comment. Includes timeline for next steps. End of May to publicise to fencing community. Coaching Commission to identify coaches, selections of fencers mid-June. President’s Cup coaching seminar. Date to be confirmed for camp. 6 to 8 fencers per gender and weapon.	Steve C	
8	Commissions	A Competition Management Seminar and C examinations are to be held in Taiwan at the Asian Veteran Games. NZL can send two candidates, one of which must be a female. Potential candidates must be already on the pathway for DT and/or refereeing. Clear expectation that attendees share any expertise after the tour. Mark to ask OFC for funding. FeNZ also to discuss funding options. Officiating Commission to provide a short list.	Nicola/Mark	
9	Regional reports	Reports received from South, Mid-South, North		
10	Website	Site plan and project description with sub-committee for comment	Steve M/Richard/Mark/Amanda/Dave/Vanda	
11	Strategic Priorities	<p>Reviewed items for completion in April and May.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Value proposition draft completed. • Web depository solution for Board papers – Steve M working on this. • Survey – questionnaire completed – aim to be quick and easy to complete. Will trial with a sample group before going live. Test this week. • Constitution – need clarity around when the new societies legislation will be available. • Funding – corporate sponsorship/trusts/government/private – considering options. Need a funding officer. Review activities that can be funded – travel, coach, youth/sport development/demographic focussed funding. 	All	
10	Other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disciplinary Committee hearing – Committee heard the complaint regarding the behaviour of a coach based in Christchurch. Complaint upheld. Coach suspended from coaching until certain conditions performed including 		

		<p>apology, behaviour undertaking and educative course. Informed the parties concerned.</p> <p>The Board thanked Committee members involved in the hearing for their work.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribution of fencing gear provided by FIE – Vicci to provide a suggested distribution policy for the Board to consider on the basis of identified need rather than percentage affiliation. • Logo for Fencing New Zealand – logo updated to include “Fencing” before “New Zealand” and a leaf at the top end of the fern. <p>Motion – To adopt the attached logo as the logo for Fencing New Zealand</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Richard/Mark Carried</p>	Vicci	
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Meeting concluded 9.17 pm. Next Meeting: Sunday 2nd June.