



Fencing New Zealand

(Fencing New Zealand Incorporated)

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

DATE	Sunday 19 April 2020
START/FINISH	7.00 pm until 9.20 pm
LOCATION	Skype
CHAIR	Mark Rance
ATTENDEES	Mark Rance (Chairman), Amanda Hopkins (Sec.General), David Elder, Kyle Macdonald, Steve Martin, Richard Johnstone, Alice Boyd, Vanda Symon, Nicole Martin
APOLOGIES	Dave Barson

	ITEM	ACTION	OWNER	DU E
1	Quorum	Confirmed.		
2	Minutes of previous meeting	Minutes of meeting 8 March confirmed Matters arising dealt with below.	David/Richard	
3	Financial Report and Performance Report for 2019	Report received for March/April. Reviewed Budgets presented for no activity in 2020 and limited activity. FeNZ has no major overheads and with minimal activity during 2020, FeNZ is budgeted to make a small loss due mainly to unavoidable administrative and insurance costs. FeNZ to make an insurance claim for coach flights for managed tours to Jakarta and Salt Lake City – not yet known if the claim will succeed. Steve M to look at alternatives to Paypal for membership payments to save on fees.	Amanda/Mark Steve M	
4	Health and Safety	COVID-19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Club based activity ceased on announcement of Level 2 and the move to Level 3 and 4 a few days later - Competitions have been cancelled or postponed during lockdown - South Island Championships and Presidents' Cup scheduled for July cancelled - The FIE has cancelled all competitions in April, May and June and postponed qualifying competitions for the Olympics will be held when travel restrictions are lifted - Commonwealth Veteran Championships cancelled - FeNZ to continue to follow the advice of the Ministry of Health - Level 3 – no fencing - Level 2 – will consider activities that can be undertaken including measures required to ensure safety - Non-essential travel to be minimised at Level 2 - No national tournaments until Level 1, review at Level 1 - Encourage fencers and clubs to promote online fencing and fencing 		

		<p>exercises</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Regions to contact clubs and coaches to check whether they require assistance - Mark to complete the latest COVID19 update 		
5	Competitions	<p>5.1 Selection criteria for postponed international events – decided that nominations would be reopened for postponed events. Amended Selection Criteria to be published.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - recognised that there may be drop off in fencer numbers during and after the lockdown and cancellation of tournaments - encourage clubs and coaches to keep fencers engaged through online resources - FeNZ to take a pro-active approach in communicating with competing fencers. Kyle to follow up as Head Selector. <p>5.2 Revised Calendar for 2020</p> <p>Discussed as above – no national tournaments until at least Level 1. Prioritise competitions to ensure greatest participation and to encourage fencers back. Could be continuing issues with inter-regional travel. To be discussed further when situation is clearer.</p> <p>South Island Championships and President’s cup cancelled.</p>	Kyle	
6	Commissions	<p>Officiating Commission – Baz Clark has resigned as head of the commission. FeNZ recognises his contribution and the significant amount of work done to improve the structure and operations of our national tournaments.</p>		
7	Strategic Priorities Refresh	<p>Discussed the revised list and proposed work schedules. Hope to achieve progress during this period of no fencing activity. Owners of each work stream to complete their plan in two weeks.</p>	ALL	
7	Other business	<p>AGM Minutes – reviewed and agreed subject to one amendment.</p>	Amanda	

Meeting concluded 8.20pm. Next meeting 10 May 2020