

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

DATE	Sunday 7 April 2024
START/FINISH	7.00 pm – 8.31 pm
LOCATION	Teams
CHAIR	Stephen Peterson (Treasurer)
ATTENDEES	David Elder (FeNZ President), Heather Claydon (Officiating Commission), Kyle MacDonald (Selectors Commission) Stephen Peterson (Treasurer), Peter Butler (FeNZ North President), Nicole Martin (FeNZ Central President), Alex Dong (Fencing South President), Lee-Bin Tee (Mid-South President), Martin Brill (Coaching Commission), Hanna Choi (Athletes Commission), Alice Coran (Health and Safety), and Jane Parrett as minute taker.
APOLOGIES	Simone May (Development Director), Amanda Hopkins (Secretary), Kyle MacDonald (Selectors Commission) for lateness, Martin Brill (Coaching Commission) for lateness

	ITEM	INFORMATION AND RESOLUTIONS	OWNER	ACTION
1	Quorum	Confirmed.	David	
2	Minutes of previous meeting	<p>2.1 Minutes of meeting 11 Feb 2024 – minutes taken as read. Stephen moved the minutes be accepted, David Seconded. Passed Unanimously</p> <p>Matters Arising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was confirmed a complaint had been lodged regarding the “refusal to Fence’ item in the February Agenda/Minutes Welcome Alex Dong as the new President of Fencing South Outlined there will be a transitional change between Nicole and Will Bishop as the President of Fencing Central A question raised about the Triage Committee – to be dealt with in separate agenda item Costs of the Planning Workshop queried. In summary, due to numbers attending it will come in under budget. Hosting in places other than Auckland will always be more expensive, but often only marginally so, as has been the case in this instance. (Followup – the anticipated cost to host in Wellington is ~ \$2K more than in Auckland and the President and Treasurer decided this was affordable and to proceed with the Wellington venue) <p>2.2 Minutes of the AGM The minutes were received and will be moved and accepted at the next AGM.</p> <p>Matters Arising – None</p>		
3	Financials	<p>3.1 Financial Report – reports taken as read. Stephen explained that the Commonwealth event was being tracked in a separate zero account and how the accounts were linked for the purposes of enabling a correct GST return. The Board received the reports. Stephen moved and David seconded. Passed unanimously</p> <p>Matters Arising:</p>	Stephen	

		consistency around tournament entry pricing. Stephen agreed to include in the Planning Workshop agenda for May 2024.		Stephen
7		<p>7. Commission Reports</p> <p>7.1 February Selectors Report 7.2 March Selectors Report Both reports were moved by Stephen and seconded by David Passed unanimously</p> <p>Matters Arising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kyle outlined the desire for the Selectors Commission to reword the Olympic Qualifying criteria to further clarify expectations around injuries and attendance of nominated competitions. The Board agreed that the Selectors Commission should submit a draft outlining the changes to the Board for consideration. This led to discussion around communication, timing issues and the need to align work expectations with what volunteers can actually deliver. It was agreed this would be another topic for the agenda for the Planning Workshop in May. 	Kyle	Selectors Committee Stephen
8	Governance	<p>8. Board Papers requiring a Decision</p> <p>None</p>		
9		<p>9. Governance Issues</p> <p>9.1 Update for Annual Planning Workshop More information to come to invitees. The venue is confirmed and a dinner will be organised. Matters arising - none</p> <p>9.2 Disputes and Complaints Policy feedback and updates are with Luke Cunningham Clere who will finish up changes in May 2024. Note email to LCC. The information was received.</p> <p>Matters arising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An additional report was tabled requesting the Board endorse recommendations pertaining to the dissolution of the Emergency Triage Committee and appointing members to the Welfare Panel. The Board requested additional information to enable the consideration of recommendations. It was agreed Alice would provide this additional information to the Board as soon as possible and an email vote would occur by Sunday 14 April. Information on proposed timeframes for consideration of complaints was raised. It was outlined that timeframes would vary as there were so many factors to consider, including the nature of the complaint, the availability of the Welfare panel, seeking clarifications and or more information from either Party, as just some examples. It was highlighted that the process for minor complaints was beneficial to FeNZ in that it was identifying areas where there were gaps in policy or guidelines, and addressing these issues would make FeNZ a stronger organisation. 	Stephen Stephen	Alice
		Board meeting closed 8.31pm		