Minutes of Committee of Management Meeting held at Uniting Church Hall, Dalby, on Friday, 5th July 2019

Senior Vice President Don Smith opened the meeting at 7.13pm welcoming everyone to Dalby.

Present: President Kyle French, Senior Vice President Don Smith, Junior Vice President Angus Young, Junior Vice President Cameron Hancock, Secretary Janet Stockel, Treasurer Roslyn Richter, Immediate Past President Carmel Blyth

President Kyle French and Junior Vice President Cameron Hancock were running late however we were able to do a phone link with them until they arrived.

Apologies: Patron Robin Cruikshank. Ros Richter moved the apology be accepted, seconded Angus Young. Carried.

Confirmation of Minutes

The COM meeting scheduled for 8th June 2019 did not obtain a quorum and was held over to July.

Previous minutes (COM Meeting, 13th April 2019)

Ros Richter moved the minutes from the Committee of Management meeting on 13th April 2019 be accepted as read. Seconded Don Smith.

Motion Carried

Business arising from the minutes:

1. Mens Shed - boxes for bowls

Ros Richter has requested a quote for 30 boxes but has not heard back so far. (They have been busy building a new shed and will reply as soon as they can).

2. Gala Weekend

The attendance numbers were the lowest we have had. The committee discussed potential reasons – entry fee too high, not enough prize money, not enough prestige/identity, there is no shield for it for posterity, better advertising, do we need to change the format to be more attractive, for example triples instead of rinks, should we look at getting a liquor licence for the weekend, bbq lunch, find a sponsor, do we need a more lively atmosphere, we need to sell it to the people. The original idea was to get more people involved and attract new people.

3. Souvenir Shirts (2018 Nationals)

Secretary Janet advised that Sheree Lowry had said there were only 2 orders, should we look at finalizing them. Carmel said she wanted an extra 2 shirts. Secretary Janet asked Carmel to coordinate with Sheree to place a final order.

4. October Championships, Restricted Singles

Millmerran Association has applied to host the October Championships. It would be at the Town Hall in Pittsworth unless nominations require a bigger venue.

Millmerran Association also offered to host the Restricted Singles if Pittsworth Association pulled out. The restricted events are on a roster system, and Caloundra is next on the list. We would need to take this to the Delegates meeting, as the normal practice is to take the next association on the list.

5. COM Positions

COM discussed the options for reducing the COM by 2 members. The most sensible way seems to be to remove the Publicity Officer and combine the 2 Junior Vice President positions into one. This would be a constitutional change. It will be discussed at the Delegates meeting tomorrow.

President Kyle French and Junior Vice President Cameron Hancock arrived at 8pm. Senior VP Don Smith handed over the meeting to President Kyle.

There was some discussion on the duties required by a publicity officer or a publicity committee. Publishing QIBILO, looking after our digital footprint (facebook, website, instagram), advertising. It was stated that this person or committee needs to be pro-active, and capable of writing the newsletters and advertisements.

Should the various committees be meeting more than just once a year at strategic planning?

6. Auditors Report

We asked the Auditor to issue a revised Auditors report once the issues arising from the original report were fixed. This has now been received.

7. Team Uniform

Henselite has sold off the garment manufacturing branch of their business to a company called Sports Centre and have given them a license for all of their copyrighted designs. Sports Centre can make sublimated trousers in 2 designs – tie cord, belt & loop.

8. Membership/Insurance

We will look at how much the Public Liability policy is per player, with a view to re-defining the split between registration and insurance and discuss it at the next meeting.

Ros Richter moved the minutes be confirmed as read. Seconded Carmel Blyth. Motion Carried

There were no AIBBC minutes as they have held no meetings since our last meeting.

9. AIBBC AGM

Angus Young advised that he will not be able to attend the meeting as he had planned. As this leaves us with a spot to fill, we will ask at tomorrows' meeting who would like to go.

10. AIBBC – invitation from English Carpet Bowls for World Cup

Angus Young spoke about an invitation that AIBBC received several years ago, and that AIBBC may receive again, from the English Carpet Bowls Association for a World Cup. Angus asked that our delegates be aware of the possibility, as he believes that the reason why the invitation was not accepted last time was that it would cost AIBBC too much. AIBBC do not pay the full amount for sending the Australian Team to New Zealand, so Angus felt this was not a valid argument, and that players should be given the option of whether or not they wanted to go if they were willing to pay for it. Only 8 players are required (2 teams fours, 4 teams pairs, and singles), 30 foot carpets, and held mid year (either May or June) in the off-year to the Trans-Tasman. Trials would not be necessary as the players could be picked straight from the nationals.

Perhaps if the invitation comes again, should it be brought up at the opening ceremony so players are aware of the opportunity, and can express interest in selection.

Angus also mentioned that the New Zealand Nationals are open to everyone, so Australians could go across and compete, we would just need a 22 foot mat to be able to practice on, as they are thin and very fast. We may be able to purchase a mat from New Zealand. Their bowls are slightly smaller than ours also, so would probably need bowls as well, as the bias is different. Angus mentioned that his club has several of the very old 2 piece mats, he thinks that the top piece may be close enough to give us a good feel for the New Zealand mats.

Don Smith moved the Minutes be confirmed as read, seconded Ros Richter. Motion Carried

Correspondence:

Inward:

6. Bramble Bay IBC closure. They were an independent club.

57. Order for championship badges.

Angus noted that on some of his badges the coating is going sticky.

Carmel said they were the 2010 badges, she had already given some to Annette to send back for replacement. Carmel noted that the replacements were incorrect and need to be fixed.

Angus also noted that he thought some of the May Championship badges were incorrect – Lady Champion instead of Ladies Champion. (Janet checked some old orders at a later time and found that they had always been ordered like this). If we wish to change the wording we can do it next year.

Carmel also noted that the font was smaller than it used to be. Up until 2009 the year and event were on the same line, but from 2010 they were printed on 2 lines, making the font smaller. Angus also thinks the style of badge has changed.

- # 178. Limestone Coast Tourist Park, Mount Gambier, a further discount on their pricing.
- # 226. Trevor & Ann Sander withdrew from team (health problems)
- # 204, 208, 217 Team Dinner information from clubs.

Kyle will find out what time we need to be out of the playing venue to see if it is possible to have the meetings at the venue, alternatively there is a camp kitchen at the Tourist Park. Ros Richter volunteered to follow up and finalise the venue.

- # 214. Information from SA about the program, catering, farewell dinner etc.
- # 215. Sport & Rec half year funding documents to complete

Janet Stockel moved that the Inward be received and the Outward endorsed. Seconded Carmel Blyth.

Motion Carried

Treasurers Report:

Angus Young asked about payment for being in the Australian team. It was passed at our 2018 AGM that Qld members be paid \$250 if they go to New Zealand as part of the team. Treasurer Ros said she was not aware Angus had gone. The payment will be organised.

Ros Richter moved that her report be received and all Accounts passed for payment.

Seconded Carmel Blyth.

Motion Carried

General Business:

11. Prize Money

Prize money for all events needs to be reviewed. Secretary Janet will email the current details to COM members.

12. Policies

Carmel Blyth said she and Robin Cruikshank had already looked at several of the policies and will email the updated versions to Secretary Janet. The COM will then review the rest.

13. Date for next COM meeting

Our next meeting will be in September, date to be confirmed.

14. Publicity Flyer

There was a motion on the AGM minutes that the costs be investigated and taken to the next meeting. Secretary Janet forgot to bring the quote.

15. Juniors – compulsory practice

Several of the juniors asked if they could play against the senior singles players. After some discussion, it was decided to trial one method at the first practice, and a second method at the second practice.

16. Compulsory Practice - skills practice

We need to check with Robin Cruikshank if skills practices are to be held at the practices.

17. State Team

We are in danger of not having a full team this year if anyone else pulls out. In that case, we would need to ask South Australia for senior players.

There was some discussion on putting it to AIBBC about reducing the team size, or even cutting out a whole division. We have previously discussed reducing to one division but adding an extra event or two to make the whole team up to around 40-44 players.

18. Juniors – May Championships

Angus advised that he had spoken to several people who had spotted for juniors at the May Championships about not advising junior singles players what shots to play. They are playing a competition. Spotters have specific duties listed in our rule book, and it is against the rules for spotters to tell the players what to do.

19. Junior Open Singles

There was some discussion about moving the Junior Open Singles to October instead of May. The juniors can choose to play either the junior event, or the senior Open Singles.

20. National Championships 2023

There have been no definite venue suggestions for hosting the Nationals in 2023. Secretary Janet will contact the Caloundra Indoor Stadium for a quote.

21. Fundraising

Carmel Blyth spoke about starting to fundraise NOW for 2023. The Nationals are a QLD EVENT, and we should not be dependent on just the association in the host area to provide fundraising. If we can get a few associations to do Bunnings BBQ or other fundraisers and donate at least some of the proceeds to QIBA for the Nationals, then we don't have as much work to do in the final year. There are a variety of sponsorships around that we can go for as well, but fundraising is very important to be able to host the Nationals and building the fund earlier will make it easier at the end. Last year we had a volunteer group do the BBQ for 2 days at the nationals. They said that if they had known a year earlier, they could have put it in their calendar and done the whole week for us instead of us having to co-opt reserves and players to man it. The same with the bar area. Angus asked about doing a Calcutta. This is an auction of the players, with people bidding on who they think will win the day. 50% of the prize pool goes to the person/s who win, and the other 50% to QIBA. This would probably only work on the Gala weekend, something to think about.

Carmel was asked if she would consider being the Chairperson of the National Titles Committee for 2023. Carmel said she would have to speak with her family before deciding.

There being no further business, President Kyle thanked everyone for attending the meeting and closed the meeting at 11.40pm.

Janet Stockel Secretary QIBA Inc. 13th July 2019 Kyle French President QIBA Inc.

Next COM meeting. Contember 2010 (Date/venue to be advised)

Next COM meeting, September 2019 (Date/venue to be advised)

Next Delegates meeting, Saturday, 2nd November 2019 – Millmerran Association Discussion Points, Recommendations from COM and Notices of Motion as per agenda.

Any club or association can request that a COM member attend their events, just ask us