

AAI BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Thursday 14 December 2017, 7.00pm Athletics Auckland Office

Present: Murray McKinnon (President), David Sim (Chairman), Dianne Craddock, Fiona Maisey, Simon Yarrow, Peter Booker, Bryce Hall, Anthony Curry, Raewyn Rodger (Secretary).

Apologies: Sasha Daniels, Jim Hogg

- David Sim welcomed Hamish Grey Chief Executive of Athletics NZ who attended first part of Board Meeting. Hamish introduced himself and outlined his background in Sports Management. He has been back to NZ after spending many years in Scotland and settling into Athletics NZ. He outlined ANZ strategy on sustainability and succession planning. One of the issues he covered was reliance on Grant Funding and talked about the need to diversify source of funding. Making athletics a sport for life and a place for all abilities.

Strategy Headings:

- Enable more people
- Inspire more people
- Lead from the top organisation.
- He also spoke about working closer with Centers and working on a clear strategy for roles for Centers/Clubs with the right structures for consistent delivery of programmes. Helping clubs to help themselves to provide the best service they can to their athletes, nurturing athletes through teenage years into senior athletics. Statistics reveal a big drop off of children not returning to clubs after their first year. Sustainable coaching base. Target good practice for schools to make easy to deliver athletics within the school environment, including programmes on how to.
- Make Coaches (especially at Grass Roots) and Officials first priority, and make Officiating a welcoming environment for new Officials. Educating parents to ask the right questions to encourage their children.
- He also spoke of the Drop off at 14 because of changing environments with children having to shift from a Junior Club to a Senior Club.
- David thanked Hamish for his time.

Board Resignation: Niko Toluono. The Board thanked Niko for his contribution to the Board and wished him well in his future endeavours.

Work Plan:

Pillar One – Events and Service Delivery: Strategic Priority 1. Bryce advised implementation plan early in the new year.

- Barriers to doing things turns people off. Share coaches around clubs/clusters

RFA and Athletics Auckland Track Usage: Waitakere: Proposal back to RFA to present options and recommendation. Passed by Board. Identifies what will make Mt Smart a better facility and the use of Trust Stadium as an alternative venue.

- Calendar finalised as a rollover for each year moving forward with specific dates but David advised that RFA are requesting calendar events.
- Each concert will still remain to be sorted out on a case by case basis.
- Colgate Games is now having issues securing Arena One as a Warm Up field. Still ongoing.

Work on Digital Plan:

- No Update

Major Projects:

AAI Constitution:

- No further updates.

Member Retention Analysis:

- SY has met with Eastern/Ellerslie/Pt Chev/RS and ACA to initiate project.

Risk:

- **Mt Smart:** 5-year warranty up in March for laying of track. Mt Smart is not acknowledging any repairs or updates from STI.

Confirmation of Previous Minutes:

- The minutes of 9/11/17 were accepted.

Moved MM, Seconded BH, Carried.

Matters Arising:

- Defibrillator arrived. Site needs to be worked out to house and photo taken to forward back to Fronterra Grass Roots Funding.

Correspondence:

In:

- Grant Accepted First Sovereign Trust for IP 14-U18 expenses
- Club queries
- School Information Term One
- ANZ 2018/19 Fee Document

Out:

- School Equipment Requests Term One.
- Club Queries

Financial Management:

- **Monthly Financials:** 1/11/17 – 30/11/17 Financial Statements passed.

Moved MM, Seconded AC, Carried.

Actuals to Budget tabled.

Anthony employed for 4 weeks to catch up on SDO initiatives.

Moved BH, BP, Carried

Grants:

- Motion moved from AAI Junior Section to apply for Trust funding to \$10,000 for Accommodation/Bus expenses for Selected Auckland /Counties Manukau Teams to compete at the 12/13 Inter Provincial Athletic competition in Inglewood, Taranaki held 31st March and 1st April 2018. Application to be made to North and South Trust

Moved AC, Seconded BH, Carried

Reporting: Office/Development/Sections:

Section Minutes forwarded as Board Reports. DS mentioned that Club Delegates need to be reminded that their conduct both at Delegates Meetings and on Social Media is consistent with our code of conduct.

Coaching Manager/Competition Manager Reports forwarded

General Business:

- Christmas Function – Murray has organised dinner at the Churchill Club for Wednesday 20/12.
- Junior Mins stated Gym is available to all athletes. Actually, the minimum age is 15 years, entry with a Coach.
- DC ventured that Waitangi Day could be used as a Family athletics day to promote athletics. To be further discussed moving forward.
- FM advised final organisation of Colgate Games being undertaken. Trans Tasman to take place at Mt Smart on Sunday 14th January 2018.

Meeting closed 9. 44pm

Next Meeting: 8/2/18