

AAI BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Thursday 8 February 2018, 7.00pm Athletics Auckland Office

Present: David Sim (Chairman), Dianne Craddock, Fiona Maisey, Peter Booker, Bryce Hall, Sasha Daniels, Jim Hogg, Raewyn Rodger (Secretary).

Apologies: Murray McKinnon (President), Anthony Curry, Simon Yarrow

Work Plan:

Pillar One – Events and Service Delivery: Strategic Priority 1. Sub Committee is progressing in three parts.

1. Attending Junior Delegates Meetings to develop Interclub competition for next season
2. Secondary School competition next season, checking on viability of during the week or on the weekend.
3. Senior Interclub being looked into for next season.

RFA and Athletics Auckland Track Usage: Nil Update.

Work on Digital Plan:

- Strategic Marketing Plan from Niko. Agenda item for March Board Meeting.

Major Projects:

AAI Constitution:

.SD will have a draft out to Board Members one week prior to next Board Meeting. He is looking at

1. Structure Changes around Sections
2. Administration changes around ANZ Constitution
3. Some proposed changes
4. Modernising the document

His views are to table proposed changes to Board then put out as workshop to clubs and Delegates Meetings. Changes can then be forwarded to AGM for confirmation.

Member Retention Analysis:

- SY has met with Eastern/Ellerslie/RS and ACA Clubs to initiate project. Reported robust discussion around buy in by clubs represented, with Action Points to be established. They will use the Winter season to progress project for next season. There needs to be people from ACA for junior members to link onto when coming along to ACA club night on Wednesdays. DS is

worried about the time taken but FM/DC/BH all feel that there needs to be a buy in period from clubs. They also feel there needs to be a lead on from the Aspire Coaching Academy and a Focus on athletes not pathways so involvement in the sport can be captured.

JH questioned what the Board is responsible for. The Boards responsibility is to put on a level of provincial competition, but should the Board be taking on club's responsibilities. BH replied that the Board should be responsible for making things happen in order to take the sport forward. SD asked "What is the Board saying is success". He feels we should be encouraging competition which is what keeps bringing people back. Barriers to number retention – social – transition between clubs at critical age, Parents time precious. Statistical information from the analysis done is that the buy in to athletics is healthy at a young age but 50% only stay for 1 year.

Risk:

- **Mt Smart:** Board have received correspondence back from RFA that they have received an extensive proposal from STI to undertake a significant renewal of part of the track to remedy the identified issues. Proposal is currently sitting with the RFA Facilities team and the Board awaits update of forward progression.

Confirmation of Previous Minutes:

- The minutes of 14/12/17 were accepted.

Moved BH, Seconded PB, Carried.

Matters Arising:

- Nil.

Correspondence:

In:

Grant Declined – Blue Water Trust for IP 14-U18 Bus Exps

Club queries

School Information Term One

Auckland Championships

Out:

Club queries

Auckland Championships

Grant Application – North & South – IP 12-13 Accom/Bus Transport Assistance

Financial Management:

- **Monthly Financials:** 1/12/17 – 31/1/18 Financial Statements passed.

Moved JH, Seconded DS, Carried.

- After Board Discussion Motion moved to set the 2018/19 Fees at
 1. \$3-00 per athlete for Grade 6 and Under.
 2. \$16-00 per athlete for Grade 7 and Above

Moved BH, JH, Carried

Reporting: Office/Development/Sections:

No Section Minutes available coming off Christmas Break

Junior: First Delegate Meeting of the year on Monday night 5/2/17. Fiona gave a report on both the Colgate Games and Trans Tasman Events. Both events were successful with good decisions made around the weather on the Friday of Colgate Games. DS thanked Fiona for the amount of work she and her LOC put into organising the Colgate Games. Trans Tasman ended with Auckland winning the trophy.

Cross Country & Road: No update, upcoming meeting pending.

Track & Field:

- New Hammer Cage currently being erected. New Cage will be 2.5m higher than previous one.
- Auckland Champs entries close 9/2/18. Issues around Junior/Senior Fees with 12/14 athletes who are entering events as U16 for events not offered to 12/13/14 year olds. Agreed that Junior athletes who have entered via the Senior EOL system and paid the \$25 will be refunded the appropriate amount. Ongoing issues around the Junior/Senior programme being finalised
- NZ Champs in Hamilton 80/90 qualified to date.

Coaching Manager/Competition Manager Reports forwarded

Board discussed Second Aspire Academy and low numbers. Noted that Junior athletes had a lot on during January this season with Colgate Games and 14-U18 IP's in Auckland.

General Business:

- DC queried NZ Distance Carnival put on by ANZ at AUT Centennial Stadium on Friday 23 February. DS gave insight regarding event.
- Sunday 25 March Auckland Challenge including JW Junior Mile
- JH acknowledged the work done by Bill Tillhill of Hibiscus Coast Club who passed away this week.
- FM advised she made mention at the Junior Delegates meeting on Monday 5/2/18 of the use of social media to bring the sport into disrepute and asked the Junior Delegates to refrain from this practice.
- DS asked if the Board would prefer to have Board Meetings on a different day of the week in future, it was decided to stay with 2nd Thursday of the Month, however the next Board Meeting will have to be changed because of NZ National T&F Championships
- Board agreed that a letter of congratulations be sent out to the Auckland Athletes who have been selected in the Commonwealth Games Team.

Meeting closed 9. 45pm

Next Meeting: 15/3/18