



## AAI BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Thursday 9 December 2021 7.00pm, via Google Meet

**Present:** Murray McKinnon arrived into the meeting at 8.15pm (President), David Sim, (Board Chair) Bryce Hall, Jim Hogg, Leigh Keefe, Dianne Craddock, Paul Craddock Temporary Convenor Role for T&F, Raewyn Rodger (Secretary).

**Apologies:** Fano Asiata, Peter Booker (Due to Health Reasons Peter has stood down from Convenor of Track & Field and will in due course continue as a Committee Member for Track & Field)

### **Risk:**

Covid – Auckland currently in Traffic Light System – Red 3/12/21.

<https://covid19.govt.nz/traffic-lights/covid-19-protection-framework/>

Sport New Zealand Guidelines <https://sportnz.org.nz/covid-19-response/covid-19-protection-framework/>

- DS has been advised by ANZ that one family has requested a refund for their child due to My Vaccine Pass regulations. Refunds will be dealt with on Individual Merits.
- Track & Field have successfully held McKinnon Coaching/Training on 20/11 and 27/11 within the Level Three – Step 2 Government regulations across three venues, Throws, Middle Distance and Sprints/Hurdles.
- With the move to the Traffic Light System -Red T&F have now moved to McKinnon Events within the allowance guidelines and adhering to Auckland Unlimited (Council) mandatory vaccination policy of entry only to My Vaccine Pass Holders. They are still across the three different venues; this will continue until Auckland goes into Orange. This does have the disadvantage of spreading Officials so record attempts should be advised ahead of time to enable the correct graded officials at the right venue.
- DS thanked PC and the T&F committee for the work they have done in making these coaching/training/events possible.

### **ANZ Updates:**

ANZ:

- ANZ have continued to be proactive with information out to clubs around Covid planning.
- They continue to run webinars that are beneficial to all clubs and their Give Athletics a Go were advertised on radio during November. They have reported increased registration numbers from other centres apart from Auckland.
- Colgate Games North Island and South Island will go ahead during January 2022.
- ANZ looking into initiatives to help Auckland/WBOP region who may be looking at reduced registrations numbers this season.

### **Mt Smart:**

- Possible upgrades as part of #2 Arena track relay. AAI representatives had an updated site meeting with Council Project team to confirm priority list. PC contacted and spoke with Christchurch Centre contact who was instrumental with the Nga Puna Wai track project. He has supplied track specks they used which PC has forwarded onto Council.
- After consultation with Mt Smart to confirm eligibility RR and PC have submitted an initial Expression of Interest to Council for the Sport and Recreation Facilities Investment Fund. This would be to augment wishlist items that may not come under the Council budget for the track relay.
- All Events will come under the Auckland Unlimited mandatory vaccination policy of entry only to My Vaccine Pass Holders to people 12 years and 3 months and over.
- Training will be viewed as per regulations around public open spaces.

### **Confirmation of Previous Minutes:**

- The minutes of 10/11/21 were accepted.

**Moved JH, Seconded BH, Carried**

### **Matters Arising:**

- Social Media/Sport Development Positions. Social Media Candidate has withdrawn application. This position of 10 hours pw has now been offered to the SDO candidate which would take SDO/Social Media hours to 34 hours pw. A letter of acceptance to be forwarded. Proposed start date will be 10/1/2022. Anthony Curry will continue in his Social Media Role until 13/2/2022 to offer support.

### **Correspondence:**

#### **In:**

- Aktive Newsletters
- MSD – Wage Subsidy Approvals #6 & #7
- Club Emails.
- Aktive Sector Support Fund Application Paid.
- Commercial MV Insurance

#### **Out:**

- MSD Wage Subsidy Application #8
- Gym re-opening – email to all users requesting My Vaccine Pass
- Club Emails – Covid Info
- Expression of Interest to Council for the Sport and Recreation Facilities Investment Fund

### **Financial Management:**

**Monthly Financials:** 1/11/21 – 30/11/21 Financial Statements passed.

**Moved JH, Seconded BH, Carried**

- Actuals to Budget as at 12/12/21 tabled. With wage subsidies and Sector Support packages AAI have been able to maintain and retain all staff and Centre expenses. Registration numbers will be the ongoing concern for this financial year end. T&F are seeing good numbers at their past three Coaching/Training/Event with athletes 12 and over eager to compete. The Centre and some clubs have been quick to put in place new initiatives within the current framework and offering whatever athletics

they can. Some clubs are still hesitant and less confident around initiating club nights which could result in reduced registration numbers.

- 2022/23 AAI Fees. AAI Board moved to keep 2022/23 Registration fees the same. RR to forward fee document out to clubs.

**Moved DC, Seconded BH, Moved**

- Junior Motion to Board for Inter Provincial 12/13 Age Grade Competition. The Board of Athletics Auckland Incorporated hereby resolves to apply for funding to Four Winds Foundation for the specific purpose of assisting with funding towards Travel/Accommodation for two Athletics Auckland Selected Teams, Counties Manukau and Auckland to compete at the Inter Provincial 12/13 age group athletic competition at Caledonian Ground, Otago Friday 15/4/22 to Monday 18/4/22. The Board has approved application to \$10,000 (Ten Thousand Dollars) subject to Athletics Otago Local Organising Committee confirmation of costs.
- DC asked that Lion Foundation be once again looked at as a possible Grant Funder. Only one grant can be submitted per year but can be for multiple things. RR to check website information on grant funding stipulations and report back to Board.

**Reports:**

**Competitions Coordinator** Report taken as read

**Coaching Manager** – Report taken as read.

**Reports from Sections.**

- XCR November Minutes forwarded. BH asked about the item in the minutes “Organiser of Auckland Waterfront half has a series of events over summer and has floated the idea of incorporating a race series for members, similar to how the Auckland ½ marathon is done”. DC advised this would allow members the chance to race on the Road as the current Road season within the XC calendar is extremely short. He also asked about the Sport Prizes for the Grand Prix Series. DC explained that with Auckland in Lockdown over this period all spot prizes for the U18 age group and above was done via Grand Prix Series entry for 2022 season.
- Junior December Minutes not received. LK advised she had sent the mins through prior to start of Board Meeting.
- Kumon have come onboard as a sponsor for the Colgate Games and will look at other sponsorship opportunities. Leigh has email them with the response that they have committed to Junior events at The Sir Graeme Douglas event on 20/2/22.
- Hamish and Fiona from ANZ attended the Monday night Delegates meeting to outlay framework guidelines for clubs and reported good entry numbers for both NI and SI Colgate games. Leigh advised this had made a difference to some Junior Registration numbers.
- LK advised that the Junior Section is now looking at the scenario of pushing the Junior Auckland Championships into March to enable as many registered athletes as possible to compete. Their proposed new date of the 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> March 22 would clash with the rescheduled date for the Dick Quax memorial. This will need to be worked through as the weekend of the 19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup> March clashes with school championships. The current booking is 26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup> Feb.
- Triple P Girl Power Event Saturday 11/12/21, open to registered girls from Papakura, Papatoetoe and Pakuranga – 25-30 athletes from each club, with an aim to encourage more girls to athletics. Event trial this year with the hope it could become an annual fixture. This programme could be replicated throughout Auckland. Programme could be for girls or boys

- DS advised that with the SDO starting in early January, help could be directed to help with Junior events during the remainder of the 2021/22 season.
- DS asked for an update on the Wichsport trial. Leigh advised that two of the three clubs Pakuranga and Takapuna have started trialing the programme. Chris Day gave an update through the Junior minutes and advised the office that invoices will be sent through for payment as per Junior Minutes.

**General Business:**

- MM asked why there were three different Throws events across Auckland Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> December. PC responded that NHB Throws Coaches and Para NZ at Bruce Pullman Park both put on events as well at the Centre event.
- Bryce acknowledged the work Leigh has been doing around trying to get the Junior T&F season back up and running under the present circumstances.
- DS and JH both wished the Board a Merry Christmas and Happy and safe New Year.
- JH asked that the Board dinner only be deferred to later in the New Year. MM offered to organise with Churchill Club.

**Meeting closed 8.30pm**

**Next Meeting: 13/01/2022**