



AAI BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Thursday 12 December 2024 7.10pm, at AAI Office

Present: Rodger Brickland (President), Bryce Hall (Chairman), Jim Hogg, Dianne Craddock, Paul Craddock, Julia Ratcliffe, Chris Day, Raewyn Rodger (Secretary),

Apologies: Dan Brady, Judy Revell

In Committee:

Board went into committee at 7.10pm

Board came out of committee 7.39pm

Strategic Plan:

Task leading on from adoption of Strategic Plan:

Athletics Auckland Youth Voice at Board level.

- JR forwarded an outline of what this could look like to the Board for comment. Whereas the initiative is centered around Secondary School aged students, the question was asked if this would be better suited to the next age group up.
- Engagement would be completely online with the need for one to two Board Members as Mentors. CD advised he would be happy to help Judy facilitate this and JRat agreed to chair online meetings. Agreed that rather than monthly online meetings, once every 2/3 months would suffice with the emphasis on Social Media and engaging with their club peers for contributions.
- General support by Board for initiative to commence 2025.

2025/26 AAI Registration Fees:

- 2024/25 fees document distributed for Board Consultation. Decision on fees to be made at January 2025 Board Meeting.

In Committee:

Board went into committee at 7.58pm

Board came out of committee 8.25pm

Board agreed to adjust invoice to Pakuranga for Entry Services/Equipment for Dick Quax memorial from \$750 to \$500 for Services only.

Equipment:

- T&F have to date secured \$15,000 in Trust funding to replace the Pole Vault mats at Mt Smart #2 Arena. There is currently an approximate shortfall of \$19,000 dependent on Aust Dollar exchange rates as they are an Australian product. Two further grants have been submitted to BlueSky and Akarana Trusts for \$9,500 each, (motions in separate Board Minutes via Email). Depending on the outcomes from these applications Board discussed alternatives. PC has approached Centennial Trust which is a possibility and BH also commented that the Board could look to make available the balance if needed. Will wait to hear back from current applications submitted. The funds received to date need to be spent and reconciled by 31 March 2025.

- The Board also discussed the shortfall of funds from Trust funding for the High Jump Mats of \$3,057.16. This will be taken to the next Children's Delegates meeting to discuss 50% split with Track & Field.

AAI Health & Safety 1 Page Briefing:

- PC tabled an update to the briefing to include: "Taping of the Front and Back straight is recommended for all meets where throwing events are held."

Moved P.C, Seconded CD, Carried

Events & Service Delivery:

- BH discussed the AAI initiative to develop and deliver a National T&F Club League for the 2025/26 season. This would be developed in conjunction with ANZ who are supportive of the concept. It will be discussed at the next Centre Leaders Meeting. League would potentially run over 3 meets during 2025/26 season.

Club Presidents Forum:

BH gave an update on a Club Presidents forum he facilitated in November with 8 in attendance. He will facilitate another forum in 2025.

ANZ Updates:

- ANZ Center Leaders meeting taking place at same time as this Board Meeting. Murray attending on behalf of AAI. BH advised that the AAI Marketing Plan, which was also adopted by ANZ to run with other Centres, has generated good growth in numbers for AAI. Success for Auckland may lie in taking everyone along and not just elite.
- The Board discussed that the question section of the Registration form includes asking "How Athletes found out about Athletics". BH to raise this with ANZ.

Mt Smart Updates:

- Mt Smart have allowed the Athletics Car Park to be used solely by AAI for events that coincide with Auckland FC Games. AAI T&F have moved any events on these days to 10am starts. AAI will continue to have ongoing dialogue.
- Mt Smart (as with all Council Stadiums in Auckland) has undergone security upgrades with all keys being changed over. This includes electronic keys (audited) for all external gates. Keys will now be kept in locked key cabinet within Mt Smart building.

Alternative Facility:

- BH tabled a Proposal presented to the Howick Local Board Business Meeting 12/12/24 primarily by cycling interests for a dedicated space for road cycling, running, skating, wheelchair racing and alternate biking known as Ostrich Farm in Howick. Dependant on outcomes this could provide XCR alternative courses.

Christmas Dinner:

- Tuesday 17/12/24 at Annabelles Restaurant, St Heliers from 6.30pm.

Financial Management:

Monthly Financials: 1/11/24 – 30/11/24 Financial Statements passed.

Moved JH, Seconded JRat, Carried

Reports:

Children's December Minutes to be forwarded when completed.

XCR December Minutes to be forwarded when to hand. Trailer ready to be picked up next week. It will be sign written in early 2025. Will see if there is enough space in Gear Shed to park.

T&F December Minutes to be forwarded when completed.

Action Points:

- SDO Role - In progress
- Asset Management Plan – Ongoing
- Auditor – MM has spoken to prospective Audit Company. Ongoing
- Youth Voice – Discussed above
- Sister Centre Initiative - Ongoing

Confirmation of Previous Minutes:

- The minutes of 14/11/24 were accepted.

Moved JH, Seconded JRat, Carried

General Business:

BH and JH congratulated and thanked Board and staff after a busy year.

Meeting closed 9.05pm

Next Meeting: 16/01/25 Online