



## AAI BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Thursday 14 November 2024 7.02pm, Online

- Present:** Murray McKinnon (Patron), Bryce Hall (Chairman), Jim Hogg, Dianne Craddock, Paul Craddock, Dan Brady, Julia Ratcliffe, Judy Revell, Chris Day, Raewyn Rodger (Secretary),
- Apologies:** Rodger Brickland (President).

### **Strategic Plan:**

BH updated small alterations to the Strategic Plan and re-distributed to the Board for final feedback and sign off. CD asked if the plan is ambitious enough and if we can tick a lot off under our Strategic Pillars already. After Board discussion it was determined that the overarching ambition is to be an organisation with over 10,000 members and what the Board does around its strategic pillars to achieve this. BH also advised that the Strategic Plan is backed up by the Business Plan which is implemented by the individual Sections.

**BH moved that the Strategic Plan be adopted, PC Seconded, Carried**

### **Initial Tasks leading on from adoption of Strategic Plan:**

- Comm's Plan
- Investigate Youth participation at Board level. Opportunity to keep athletes engaged in the sport through involvement at an administrative level. This can be done via a co-opted option onto the Board. JR asked if a Youth Group would be better than an individual. JR and CD will explore this avenue and report back to the Board.  
**Action Point: JR and CD to report back on options**
- Investigate more Overseas Sister Centre relationships. Particularly in Australia where we already have a good relationship with Athletics Victoria.  
**Action Point: JR and BH to investigate and report back to Board**

### **In Committee:**

Board went into committee at 7.30pm  
Board came out of committee 7.53pm

### **NZ T&F Championships Hosted by Auckland:**

- BH tabled hosting application for 2027 and 2028 NZ T&F championships at Mt Smart #2 Arena to be submitted to Athletics NZ by Monday 18/11/24. PC gave several updates including one of the drivers for relaying the track was Mt Smart wanting National Events. Auckland has three Officials Educators in Auckland working with Maxine to increase numbers in Northland. Also to include the new cages, mats acquired over the last year or so.
- 2026 Championship (including 2027/28) Local/Regional funding and sponsorship of \$40,000 per championship to be sought through the Council and or other Funders. A funding committee to be established.
- Any further feedback on 2027/28 bid to be to Bryce prior to Monday.

### **Athletics for All – Find Your Community:**

- Final Metrics tabled by RT Digital and forwarded for the Board's attention.

- Now that Phase One and Phase Two has been completed BH asked the Board to consider if the current AAI Website is fit for purpose. After Board discussion it was decided that the Board needs to take a strategic look at Website Design moving forward.

**Action Point: BH to investigate and report back**

### **Sport Development Role:**

- BH tabled the original Job Description for this role. Question was asked how the SDO role differs from the Coaching role.
- Explained that the Coaching role puts coaching strategies in place by way of programmes that provide new coaches, coach development and athlete coaching. The role does not involve direct coaching input.
- SDO is responsible for driving the growth and strengthening the delivery of athletics across athletics clubs within the Auckland Region, focusing on fostering collaboration, creating connections between clubs and enhancing their growth and leadership capabilities.
- SDO would be full time role, and the question was asked around funding for this role. The Board felt the job description was too diverse and would be difficult for one person to achieve all KPI's.

**Action Point: BH to refine role criteria and report back**

### **ANZ Updates:**

- Two new Auckland clubs are in the early stages of affiliating.
- Rodney District Sports & Community Association Incorporated (RDSA) has been approved by Athletics NZ. Office has sent an email outlining AAI processes, affiliation invoice and information on Centre events.
- SBS is another potential Club from South Auckland. Constitution is currently with Athletics NZ.
- BH advised update from last Centre Leaders Meeting that Athletics NZ will be holding the same Registration Fee Structure for the 2025/26 year.
- DC advised from a XCR prospective the Senior Winter only fee falls outside the AAI Half Marathon Champs date in April and the AAI Marathon Champs in October.

### **Mt Smart Updates:**

- Board discussed the #2 arena Mt Smart parking issues around events when the new Auckland Football Team has a home game at Go Media Stadium. BH and PC to meet again with Mt Smart around timing of events and holding some events earlier to enable vacating from Mt Smart earlier.
- CD also asked that athlete training on the Track during Pack In/Pack Out of events be discussed.

### **Christmas Dinner:**

- Tuesday 17/12/24 at Annabelles Restaurant, St Heliers from 6.30pm. Please advise Office if you will be attending and menu choices.

### **Financial Management:**

- Actuals to Budget tabled and discussed. JH advised that total income against expenditure currently looks healthy due to Track & Field Registrations coming in during September/October but this will shortly plateau while expenses will continue.

**Monthly Financials:** 1/10/24 – 31/10/24 Financial Statements passed.

**Moved JH, Seconded JR, Carried**

### **Reports:**

Children's November Minutes forwarded.

XCR October Minutes forwarded. Trailer ready to be picked up next week. Centennial Trust Funds to be forwarded to XCR account during the next Month to help with payment.

T&F October Minutes forwarded.

- PC updated October Board Minutes that Cam Mitchell was to investigate if other centres were interested in a bulk deal around the purchase of 700g Javelins as Javelin length is changing. PC asked BH to check this through Centre Leader's meeting.

**Action Points:**

**Office:**

- SDO Job Description – BH to re-distribute to Board
- Auditor – MM is talking to a prospective Auditor for next EOY
- Asset Management & Purchase Plan – Tabled at December meeting.

**Confirmation of Previous Minutes:**

- The minutes of 10/10/24 were accepted.

**Moved JR, Seconded JH, Carried**

**General Business:**

- JR advised CNW Relays scheduled for Trust Stadium 24/11/24.
- JR is distributing Avondale Club equipment amongst interested clubs as the club is no longer operating and Avondale School needs the storage space.
- JR is on a committee looking to re-energize the U16/U18 IP's and will report back with any updates.
- A team will be selected from the NZSSAA Championships in December to compete in L.A (USA) April 2025.
- JR advised that Angelina enjoyed being part of a younger Officials group when she travelled to the Oceania Games earlier in the year.
- CD and DB asked Judy, who is on the NZSSAA executive about programming of events and pathways for combined events athletes.
- DC asked Byce to share details of Club Presidents meeting with Board.
- BH advised first Go! Series event to take place Saturday 16/11/24.

**Meeting closed 9.23pm**

**Next Meeting: 12/12/24 In person**