

Redland Bridge Club Inc
Management Committee Meeting Minutes - Provisional
Tuesday 14th February at 1:30pm

OPENING: At 1:25pm Molly welcomed those present.

PRESENT: Molly O'Donohue (Chair), Sebastian Raciti, Colin Gorton, Deborah Thomas, Jenny Boxer, Nigel Cleminson, Glynis Hendricks, Ros Putland, Mick Souter & Ben Whitehouse

APOLOGIES: Jan Deaville

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING held 10th January 2023

Moved Ben seconded Colin that the minutes be accepted as a correct record of proceedings. Ros said she wouldn't accept the minutes as correct as there was no mention of her indicating items of correspondence had been left off the list. Minutes, once amended to reflect Ros' input would be accepted. Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

1. **Time clock:** Mick was to bring the ex-club laptop in for Colin to assess for suitability. Jenny said her son may have a suitable laptop. Molly said Gill Ross may also have one surplus to needs. There are many software versions available cheaply online to use for its set up. Molly moved, seconded by Mick, that this matter be abandoned as being unsuitable and too much trouble for the club. Carried.
2. **Refresher lessons:** the first Saturday morning session was held on 4th Feb. Numbers were light on but those present benefitted greatly from Molly and Philip's input. A sign-up page has been put on the Notice Board for members to commit to attending. No trumps was brought up as a topic of specific interest.
Molly said considerable effort goes into preparing for a session; so, unless numbers warrant it, she and Philip aren't willing to persist.
Sebastian suggested that Deborah should send an email to members to elicit numbers. Molly/Deborah
3. **Sunday Bridge:** we had intended kicking off on Sunday 5th Feb. Numbers were insufficient. Avra said she'd start contacting members who consistently played on Sundays previously. She mentioned setting up for an afternoon tea with people contributing a plate to it. The social aspect of the day with the meal at the end was a big attraction until COVID-19 put an end to it. Cathy Mathieson has agreed to be Avra's backup to help with compscore etc.
4. **Table fees:** we opted to let this matter be decided at the AGM. What motion do we take to the AGM? Nigel suggested we go the AGM and ask the member body for their permission to request an increase in table fees if required because of non-viability issues. All agreed.
5. **Youth player non-member:** in accordance with the QBA's policy, youth players are to be charged 1/2 price table fees. The question remains if they aren't a member of our club, is the non-member levy \$1 or \$2?
Moved Molly, seconded by Mick, that non-member youth be charged \$3.50/session. Carried.
6. **Defibrillator:** The QBA has been asking clubs for their policy around the use of a defib machine for members and a DNR list. Duty of care must be exercised. Members using the defib machine on someone needing resuscitation, are indemnified from legal action. The battery has been recently changed in our unit. The legality and privacy issues around its use are being questioned. We await further instruction from the QBA.
7. **Bill Morgan:** sent a second letter stating the response to his first letter was unsatisfactory. He added that there was a failure to present that letter at January's meeting. He said there was no improvement in the general unrest and satisfaction among members and himself. He asked the committee to work diligently to restore the club's reputation and create a positive environment. Molly to reply. Molly
8. **Events:** Molly, who has done an amazing job running our social events in the past, stated that we need a new co-ordinator. Molly said new ideas and a fresh approach are needed. Deborah suggested a notice could put in the Trumpit asking for contenders to come forward. Both Lisa Alcott and Jane Horvath have indicated their interest in becoming involved.
9. **Redland City Council survey:** we'd been asked to sit down as a committee and complete an unwieldy 29-page spreadsheet survey. As it asked quite a lot of detail about the existing committee and executive members and

our AGM is imminent it was thought the task was untimely.

10. Grant for internal painting: Molly applied for a grant from a Gambling Community Benefit Fund to paint the interior of the clubhouse. Toby, the tradesman who painted the building exterior had quoted \$4,875 to paint the interior. As part of the exercise, Molly sought landowner's consent from the Redland City Council to proceed. The closing date for submissions is 28th Feb. We await the outcome.

All other items from the previous minutes have been actioned.

CORRESPONDENCE: Deborah

The correspondence list from 14th February - 14th March was tabled. Moved Colin, seconded Glynis, that incoming and outgoing correspondence be accepted. Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE:

Deborah lodged a formal complaint about Bill Morgan's behaviour at the table on Fri 10th Feb '23. Sebastian and Colin offered to speak to Bill and report back to the committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Colin

For the month of January 2022, Colin presented the following:

1. **Overall Budget 2023**
2. **Payable Invoice Summary**
3. **Balance Sheet**
4. **Profit & Loss Schedule**

Moved Colin seconded Nigel that the Treasurer's report be accepted. Carried.

DEALER'S & MASTERPOINT SECRETARY'S REPORT: Carradine

Numbers for phone book are: 221 members made up of 6 honorary life members; 13 associate members and 202 home members.

Report approved by committee members present.

EDUCATION REPORT:

Supervised play continues until the new intake of beginners on 1st March '23.

Nigel

There was a reference to the lessons in the Redland City Bulletin. Unfortunately, it omitted the day/time. Molly to follow up.

Molly

DIRECTORS' REPORT:

Championship teams event went well. Compscore v3 is now available. Colin's assistance may be needed in setting it up. Peter Busch has apparently said Compscore v2 may crash with a substantial Windows update.

The new roster was sent out to directors.

WORKPLACE HEALTH & SAFETY:

The committee is not aware of any other workplace health and safety issues at present.

MAINTENANCE:

We're still experiencing problems with automatic taps turning themselves on even when nobody is nearby. It has been suggested, by Dan Maher, that we send a notification to the builder saying he has a specified time frame to replace or attend to the taps so this problem is eliminated. Ladies continue commenting on the toilet seats not sitting straight and there being no means of adjusting them.

We experienced some vandalism to our air conditioning inverters. The fuses were stolen and in the process of the theft damage was caused.

The committee is not aware of any other maintenance issues at present.

NEW MEMBERS: Robina

Iain Ross applied to have his membership amended to make RBC his home club. Moved Molly, seconded Deborah, that Iain's application be accepted. Carried.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

CLOSE: 2:43pm

Confirmed: _____ Date: _____