

AUCKLAND RUGBY REFEREES ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Board Meeting

Tuesday 16 February 2010

5.30 pm

Box 317, Eden Park

Present: Roger Drew Director
Grant Carruthers Director
Don Crawford Director
John Jacka Director
Steve Salton Director
Paul van Etten President

In Attendance: Smudge McNeilage COD Delegate
Mike Elliott ARFU Referees Manager
Kylie Marginson ARFU CRRA

Apologies: Nil

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Don Crawford was nominated for the position of Chairman by Steve Salton and seconded by Roger Drew. As there were no further nominations Don Crawford was duly elected as Chairman.

2. MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING HELD ON 23 NOVEMBER 2009 WERE APPROVED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD

3. MATTERS ARISING

Item	Decision/Discussion	Action
Open Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Now scheduled for the 21st of March at College Rifles	
Team Cards	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Teams will carry on using both paper print outs and team cards. Refs will nominate outstanding teams and players during the season	<ul style="list-style-type: none">ME to notify Referees
Delegates	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Alison Hall will continue Secondary School role. Board will look at options for JRC	
Assault Policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">S McN will present written referee assault policy at Adult Rugby tomorrow evening.	

Constitution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Noted high on agenda to deliver on this year. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ DC to follow through with Helen Morgan
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4. DELEGATES REPORTS

	Decision/Discussion	Action
COD Delegate (S McN)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Report Tabled ▪ Women's NPC not going ahead in 2010 due to financial constraints ▪ Will request feedback from U19 and U21 Coaches re referee performances during the year ▪ Samoan's are running a Tri Nations tournament this week. Have sent through assault policy. ▪ Prem kick off time remains at 2.45pm. Reserves, U21 and U19 will also play at same ground 	
ARFU Board Delegate (GC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Players Association Chairman Rob Nicholl attended the last Board meeting. ▪ Initial RWC hospitality sales going well. ▪ Ant Strachan will commence HP Manager role at the end of the Blues campaign. ▪ Guaranteed two tests annually from 2011. ▪ Have been a number of personnel changes at Eden Park Trust Board ▪ New grandstand will be completed Sept/Oct 2010. 	
Referee Manager (ME)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ME tabled his report. ▪ Have 27 new referee leads. ▪ Supporters Club agreement has been signed. Will have a committee of 2 from ARRA and 2 from Supporters Club. Chairman will rotate annually. JJ and SS will be ARRA representatives. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ JJ to contact Graham Potter ▪ House rules to be emailed to members ▪ JJ to contact social club re manning the door on game days ▪ ME to advise Andy Dalton

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All ARRA gear needs to be moved to Supporters Club ▪ More emphasis on up skilling L1 coaches in 2010 and working more closely with LII accredited coaches. ▪ Appointment policy for finals approved ▪ Agreed that Prem Referees who are away or injured for more than a year are required to come back via B Panel. ▪ The 2010 ARRA Strategic Plan was approved with change made to critical success factors. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ardee Associates to catalogue and provide quote ▪ AR policy needs to be included in finals ▪ ME to advise effected referees ▪ ME to adjust Strategic Plan accordingly
President's Report (PvE)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Off season tournaments went very well ▪ Some members unhappy about not receiving S14 tickets in 2010 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Members to be spoken to at first meeting

5. CORRESPONDENCE

	Regarding	Action
Inwards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ North and South Trust – grant approval ▪ Condor Rugby Club – request for referees on 28th of March 	
Outwards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Reference for Anthony Links travelling to South Africa 	

6. FINANCIALS

	Decision/Discussion	Action
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The 2010 budget was approved. ▪ Grant Clegg not available as Treasurer. Need to look through membership list for suitable replacement 	

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

	Decision/Discussion
Interchange	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Will use local tournaments to view candidates for interchange. ▪ Job descriptions and structures need to be put in place to define who should go. ME to develop and send to the Board ▪ Should be a requirement for referees to officiate in tournaments on their return. ▪ Informal interchanges will continue through season with Counties, North Harbour and Northland.
Reimbursement Expenses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Funding has now been received. Potential to disburse through referees' bank accounts in the coming weeks. Panel by panel.
AMI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sponsorship comes up for renewal at the end of the year. Possibility of ME and DC to go to Christchurch to discuss.
Recruitment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The contract for referee calls has not been taken up with UPL this season. Could be an opportunity to have the 0800 REFEREE number promoted. RD to speak with UPL

Meeting closed: 7.10 pm.

Next meeting: Monday 19 April

Confirmed as a true record:

Date

D Crawford
Chairman