

AUCKLAND RUGBY REFEREES ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Board Meeting
Monday 28 September 2009
5.30 pm

Box 317, Eden Park

Present: Roger Drew Director
Grant Carruthers Director
Don Crawford Director
Ron Jones Director
Grant Clegg Director

In Attendance: Smudge McNeilage COD Delegate
Mike Elliott Referees Manager
Kylie Marginson Community Rugby & Referees Administrator
Jim Kane NHRRA Secretary

Apologies: John Jacka President

1. MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING HELD ON 27 JULY 2009 WERE APPROVED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD

2. MATTERS ARISING

Item	Decision/Discussion	Action
Team Cards	<ul style="list-style-type: none">ARFU Adult Rugby Committee asked Smudge to submit paper	<ul style="list-style-type: none">S McN to work with Greg Watson on paper

3. DELEGATES REPORTS

	Decision/Discussion	Action
COD Delegate	<ul style="list-style-type: none">2010 Gallaher Shield final to be played on 24/7.Surveying Clubs to determine if Waka Nathan will be run pre or post season in 2010.Clubs only able to enter one U19 and one U21 team in 2010 competitions.	
ARFU Board Delegate (GC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Presentation given to Board re hospitality/travel packages for 2011 RWC.NZRU overlooked guaranteed Test Match at Eden Park in 2010. Working towards solution.Finances challenging.	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Looking towards possibility of rugby only memberships. 	
<p>Referee Manager (ME)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ME tabled his report. ▪ Discussion centred on NZRU referee/player ratio. No short term solution but ME recommends NZRU has weighting criteria for High Performance referees. ▪ Reimbursement initiative did not achieve expected outcomes and will be revisited next year. ▪ It was resolved by the Board that the ARRA apply to Four Winds Foundation for a maximum grant of \$40,000 towards the reimbursement of expenses initiative. ▪ Noted that to date Ron Jones and John Jacka nominated for Director positions. Paul van Etten nominated for President. Dave Ferguson and Rod Wood nominated for Vice President. There will be a vote for the last position. ▪ NZRU very happy with our four running National Squad members. ▪ Investigating alternate venues for Monday night meetings in 2010. ▪ Supporters Club taking our agreement to their Members at their February AGM ▪ Moved by Board that the OMS not open for Southland and Counties Manuaku games. ▪ Board went through Balanced Scorecard and are happy with the outcomes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ME to see if in ASA we can place in criteria that each club annually to present at least 1 candidate to referee ▪ Should this application be declined ARRA to revert to ARFU Board undertaking for funding. ▪ ME to ascertain if partners can enter at no cost. Also try and expedite decision from ARFUSC ▪ Executive need to work around highlighted issues concerning Coaching, Academy and use of Comms gear in Premier games. The Board responsible on delivery of new Constitution.

President's Report (JJ)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Letter tabled in absence requesting \$600 for travel to be forwarded. ▪ \$600.00 will not be forwarded. Board determined that any request for funding in 2010 needs to be treated as a fresh application. 	
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4. CORRESPONDENCE

	Regarding	Action
Inwards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Auckland Rugby League – invitation to Centenary dinner in May 2010. ▪ AMI – letter of thanks from John Balmforth re Awards Night. ▪ Auckland City Council – submissions on draft Liquor Licensing policy. ▪ Sunday News – article relating to Ben Deakin promoting recruitment. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ KM to write to ARL advising President and Chairman will attend
Outwards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Letter of nomination for Kyle Harris and Richard Jenson for NZRU Academy. ▪ Letter to all members calling for nominations for Director, President and Vice President. 	

5. FINANCIALS

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Treasurers Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ G Clegg tabled the forecast to 31 October 2009. ▪ Forecasting a small surplus compared to a budgeted loss of \$20,000. ▪ Agreed to reallocate funds budgeted for Heartland comms gear to new comms gear from L & W Ltd. Aim to have a set for every Premier referee and extras for Coaches. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ GC will email Board the full forecast

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

	Decision/Discussion
Constitution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ After a discussion it was agreed that Ron Jones to facilitate meeting between himself, Brian Clayton and Helen Morgan as soon as possible. Meeting to proceed with RJ and HM if BC unavailable. Agreed to set a date as per ME's report of 31st of May 2010 to have constitution delivered. ME to check with Andy Dalton on ARFU process and costs re ARFU amended Constitution
AGM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Board confirmed date of AGM to be Wednesday 9th of December 2009. The Executive to inform members.
AMI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Board to host Ross and Yvonne Collett at thank you function on Saturday 7th of November 2009.
ARFU Awards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Board unanimously endorsed the nominations of Head Selector and Head Coach for the Ash Edwards Memorial Trophy.
Dubai	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Board went into committee to discuss 2009 Dubai Interchange. Board came out of committee. It was unanimously agreed by the Board to include sending our Head Coach Roger Drew to Dubai this year following email correspondence received from the hosts. This means the party travelling to Dubai in 2009 with ARRA subsidy of \$2k each will be Roger Drew, Richard Wilson, Anthony Sowerby and Kyle Harris. Others travelling up on personal invites are Steve Piacun, Pete Willis and Steve Salton. ME to communicate with the attendees re travel arrangements. Board agreed to expense Dubai travel in this financial year.

Meeting closed: 7.10 pm.

Next meeting: Monday 23rd of November 2009

Confirmed as a true record:

Date

D Crawford
Chairman