

MINUTES OF THE COACHES' COMMISSION 8 JANUARY 2013

Andrew Russell, as the chairman of the Coaches' Committee, opened the meeting at 6.38pm. There were 10 other coaches present.

In attendance Carole Hicks, National Secretary, to take the minutes.

Apologies Anne Mitchell, Peter Russell, Karen Croskery, David Croskery, Austen Campbell, John Luxford, Dave Henshaw, Tony Kemp.

Moved from the chair *That the apologies be accepted.* **Carried**

Background information leading to the present situation included the fact that when David Croskery declined to stand for election no other coaches were prepared to contribute anything to the national scheme. The Board of ANZ allocated funding for a seminar of a number of coaches from around the country and to bring Bruce Johnson from Australia to lead the seminar.

The group produced a report and elected to move forward recommending a different structure for the Coaches group. The several district associations need to elect their representatives and in the meantime the Committee is made up of Andrew Russell (AUK) John Luxford (SIDAA) Tony Eastwood (WAA). These people or others will need to be confirmed by their respective associations. There was no-one put forward from ECBOP so Mike Ashburn is helping out.

1 Minutes of the last meeting

Moved from the chair *That the minutes of the 2012 meeting be approved.* **Carried**

2 Convener's report

The report from the seminar had been sent to all coaches on the data base. There had been little feedback but what there was, was generally positive. Andrew outlined the main points of the report.

Moved from the chair *That the report be accepted.* **Carried**

3 Role of the Coaching convener

It was agreed that the convener would chair the Commission/committee. There was considerable discussion as to whether the Convener would be one of the district representatives or additional to them.

Moved Andrew/Phil *That the Coaching Panel be made up of the coaches' convener and one representative from each of the four district associations.* **Carried**

4 Coaching Panel

John Luxford and Tony Eastwood had been confirmed by their respective districts. Andrew Russell is the interim rep for Auckland while it arranges its district. At present East Coast Bay of Plenty does not have a representative. Scott Collett will seek its nomination.

5 Coaching Panel

There will be monthly meetings via Skype or similar system because it is important to keep costs to a minimum.

It was noted the cost of undertaking courses to become an instructor/coach should also be kept as low as possible while covering costs and a little to spare for other activities of the panel.

6 General

6.1 There was a query about the recognition of overseas qualifications vis a vis the New Zealand ones. In fact there was doubt about the quality of some of the so-called level 3 coaches.

There needs to be a manual to show the procedure for such recognition. It should also contain the structure of accreditation and on-going assessment of coaches. Peer review of coaches would assist identifying the strengths and weaknesses of coaches.

6.2 The data base of coaches needs to be updated and corrected. Consideration must be given to how/when there could be an assessment of where everyone is at and what should happen in relation to re-accreditation.

Bernie noted that what one teaches at levels 1 and 2 are the same throughout the world but coaching at the national/elite level requires significantly greater knowledge and skills.

He suggested that coaches should meet regularly within their district to share information, identify issues needing to be solved, etc. They should then report to the Panel via their district rep.

Bernie recommended to the Panel they get level 3 teaching and assessment material in place as soon as possible.

7 Election

Moved Christine Russell/Scott Collett *That Philippe Dussart be the coaching convener.*

Carried

The meeting closed at 8.06pm