

Basketball Manawatu Annual General Meeting

Sunday 12th November 2017 Mezzanine Floor, Central Energy Trust Arena, Pascal Street, Palmerston North

Meeting opened at 6.08pm.

Present:

Terry Tanoa, Jemma Lawton, Joe Frost, Tia Temata-Frost, Damian Walker, Kent Mori, Trevor Shailer, Kelly Chrystal, Wendy Workman, Tess Petley, Helen Richardson, Tom Te Puni, Sarah Palmer

Apologies:

Von Walker; Willie Bryant; Ra Turia; Shaun Palmer; Tim McTamney; Rachel Craig

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Time given for everyone to read the previous minutes.

Moved that they are true and correct by Tom Te Puni. Seconded by Jemma Lawton.

2. Reports

Chairperson

Tess read her Chairperson's report for the 2016/2017 year.

Chairperson's report accepted by Kent Mori. Seconded by Joe Frost.

Competitions & Events Manager

Helen read highlights from her report. Main points included:

- Changes in her role with Board and working from Sport Manawatu;
- Increases in league numbers especially in secondary schools;
- Special thanks to Wendy, Willie and Rhodes for their support during the year;
- Major increase in secondary school teams (from 310 to 359 resulting in an increase from 9 to 13 courts being used on Friday night;

- Summer League increase to 74 teams is likely to be due to the introduction of the pay as you go each week rather than an upfront season fee;
- Primary grade has increased from 66 to 75 teams;
- Only graded to see a drop in numbers was the Pre Adults (men down from 11 to 8 and nochange in the women) and Intermediate Girls where only two teams entered this year.
- Concerns are numbers for the girls; competition for the high school boys; age gap in adults competitive men's grade school boys to more mature men; women's adults needs more teams; social league really good and look after themselves.
- Representative season was a highlight with lots of great results and learnings.
- Tournaments Seeding, Premierships, Nationals all great tournaments but volunteers getting harder to come by especially for premierships. Nationals more professional now and is a major event rather than just another tournament. Issues with some clocks during Nationals.
- Congratulations were expressed to the many athletes who received NZ Trials and consequently a few have made teams.

Questions from the floor regarding the Competitions & Events Report:

- Damian Intermediate girls teams/grades do we have anyone from Basketball Manawatu going into schools. Response not currently but this is in the long term plan.
- Kent at Regionals the roof leaked what is the situation with this? Response raised with Arena who are fantastic with their response. The issue was with the rain/wind direction and the water pooling. A fix was put in place.
- Joe with the new zone arrangements (BBNZ Calendar) every team must turn up to
 premierships to qualify rather than regions being guaranteed a spot. We now have the
 opportunity to put in more than one team to compete for the spots. Response there is a
 meeting on Friday 24th regarding the review Basketball in New Zealand Review that BBNZ have
 undertaken via a consultant. Sarah to send out the draft report and information regarding this
 meeting to everyone present.
- Joe discussion about the meeting with Natu for coaching on Friday 17th Nov.
- Tom a summary of the issues we have been having with our clocks has been sent out to all the clock manufacturers to hear their feedback on the issues we are encountering. This will ensure when we buy the new ones they are the ones that we actually need.

Competitions & Events Manager report accepted by Tom. Seconded by Joe Frost.

Referee Co-Ordinator Report

In Willie's absence, Tess read the Referee Co-Ordinator's report.

Joe – would like refs to engage more with coaches – to talk through their decisions at times rather than appearing so official. Also vice versa - coaches shouldn't yell.

Social Media – all agreed that the code of behavior statement that all coaches, managers and referees sign at the beginning of the season must include a social media statement. Consequences must be addressed and actions enforced immediately. Tess responded that updating Policies will be priority for the beginning of next year and the schools will be informed of the social media policy.

Referee Co-Ordinator report accepted by Tom. Seconded by Jemma Lawton.

Financial Reports

In Von's absence, Tess presented the financial report. Time was given to read the report.

- Grants several grants were applied for but unsuccessful. However, \$15,000 is guaranteed from Mainland Foundation this financial year. More emphasis will be placed on applying for Grants this financial year.
- Helen is working with Stuart Robinson (Sport Manawatu) to prepare a bigger picture of the true costs of each league using information from the last six years. This will provide a true and actual record of what each portion of business is costing.
- The Rep Programme costs are high. Hoping that grants will bring the cost down for the next season.
- Stuart will also forecast the whole year cycle including leagues, reps etc so development programmes can be planned and budgeted for.
- Helen advised that the venue costs increasing by 5%.

Discussions:

- Would be good to plan with all sports who use Arena and work collectively on how to best utilize the hours available.
- Kent questioned the benefit of Glory league for the cost involved. \$115/team for GL and some teams/players do not value the footage. Maybe an opportunity to get Louis in to educate players so it is used properly. The cost is part of registration fee to play and not optional.
- Damian questioned what the development sum of \$11,488 was for. Maybe could be court hire for the rep programme.
- Development Officer was to include coaches/players and referees development. This was put on hold while Nationals were on. Will be picked up again this year include going into Primary and Intermediate schools.
- Joe questioned about how it ties in with the new BBNZ Coach Development proposal to ensure all coaches are certified. More information needed from BBNZ.
- Damian questioned how Basketball Manawatu benefits financially from the tournament as the whole city is benefiting from all the people coming into the city. This year BBNZ has taken on the role of tournament director and Basketball Manawatu charged a hosting fee. Definitely a good profit and much better to have less risk under the new structure BBNZ have employed. Merchandise is one area where we could make more money but in the last two years BBNZ have taken this on. Will continue to question whether this fee is suitable for each year going forward. Need to ensure that our volunteers will continue. Event locked in for two more years. Need to think of it as a city event not just basketball and talk wider with other sports and the city because the impact. Jets coming back in may promote basketball a bit more and encourage more people to volunteer. Jemma suggested for Premierships that was during school time, we should ask the kids not the schools if they can volunteer. If it goes through the school, teachers have to do paperwork to release kids for basketball. Kent said good free food is a draw card. Also Adults Social grade may have players who are students or not working that could volunteer.
- Helen questioned whether the financials should be audited. Stuart Robinson is now taking care of our financials and he will advise whether we should be audited. Also this can impact on funding applications as some will only accept accounts being audited.
- Wendy questioned how much Sport Manawatu is charging for the Shared Services Agreement \$5,000 annual fee for the year.
- Clarification Sport Manawatu providing financial support but the Board in control of the financials.

Notices of Motions

Tom has proposed 9 notices of motion for the constitution. These motions are intended to tidy up the constitution and make it an understandable and working document.

The highlighted constitution were passed at the 2016 AGM. Any changes made today will also be highlighted for next AGM.

1. Dating of Constitution – need to include a date on the front so everyone knows it is the most current version.

Tom moved that this change be accepted. All in favour. Motion carried.

2. Change of Name – throughout the constitution there are various names of Basketball Manawatu (PNBA, Palmerston North Basketball Association).

Tom moved that this change be accepted. All in favour. Motion carried.

3. Correction of Wording – section 11 paras 9 & 14. Change from Executive to Board. Joe suggested that the Executive may be emergency meetings etc that the whole Board cannot attend therefore.

Motion not accepted. To be reviewed and bought back at a special meeting in the future.

4. Clarification of membership – introducing a \$5 membership to become a financial membership. Playing members will be amended to read team member. Needs to be added that voting only 18 and over.

Motion not accepted. To be reviewed and bought back at a special meeting in the future.

5. Election of Members – wording to be updated.

Motion not accepted. To be reviewed and bought back at a special meeting in the future.

6. Alteration of Rules.

Tom moved that this change be accepted. All in favour. Motion carried.

7. Administrative Update.

Tom moved that this change be accepted. All in favour. Motion carried.

8. Administrative process.

Tom moved that this change be accepted. All in favour. Motion carried.

9. Changes of Board – Admin process for Board handover.

Tom moved that this change be accepted. All in favour. Motion carried.

Nomination of Board

Six nominations received by the due date of Thursday 9th November. This fills the requirements of the constitution "the Executive Committee will consist of six elected members with two co-opted members".

Tess Petley – Chair Von Walker – Board Kelly Chrystal – Board Jemma Lawton – Board Tom Te Puni – Board Ra Turia - Board

Nominations were accepted by Joe Frost. Seconded by Tia Temata-Frost.

General business

Years 5/6 competition:

Kent suggested the need to play normal rules of basketball so that they are able to play in different tournament and also be ready for U13 Reps.

Secondary grade:

Kent requested that each team plays two games home and away to ensure everyone plays each other once or twice. The last two or three games didn't count which made the draw feel unfair.

3 v 3:

Discussion about any plans to develop this as a league. Maybe even for the young players.

Development:

Joe questioned the possibility of courts being available for practice venues. Coaches interested in 6am start as soon as possible. Need to keep up with the academies that are happening in other areas. Could bring school teams in too to cover costs. Include our shooting machine too and this is a weakness in our association.

Jemma offered to open courts at Feilding High for this work.

Terry acknowledged that allowing the U14s to play in the secondary competition was fantastic to build the bigger picture and develop those kids.

Helen agreed that we need to develop the players and that the development programme used to be a big earner for the association. Our standing bookings with arena means that Wed after school and Friday nights the venue is available.

Wendy wants this open for all kids not just our rep players.

Joe would like to work with Wellington Association for competitions outside our regular Wed/Fri and see whether we can enter our rep teams in Wellington Leagues.

Jemma suggested the development committee come together to put all the opportunities together

Jets Update:

Wendy questioned how we are working together. Currently Von and Tess have been nominated by the Board to meet the Jets Board regularly. Just to keep lines of communication open between both parties. Next meeting will see what the Jets need and how Basketball Manawatu can work together.

Thank you for attending, meeting close 8.18pm