

Minutes of the Board of ESNZ Endurance Held from 8:05pm on 3rd November 2021 Zoom Meeting

Present: Sue Reid (Chair) SR

Nick Page NP
Hanna Whitehead HW
Kevin James KJ
Ron Guest RG
Jenny Weston JW
Pip Mutch PM

Apologies: Nil

In Attendance: Jo Lankow – Minute Taker and Sport Administrator JL

1. Welcome

Sue welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Conflicts relevant to the agenda:

Sue-National Champs

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting- 15th September

The Board declared the minutes of the previous meeting (15th September) were a true and accurate record.

Moved: Jenny/Sue

4. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

Nil

5. Action List

- Letter to Susie and Logan Jenny still to do
- Strategic Plan update Jenny still to do
- Letter Mt Linton Club Sue still to do.
- Zoom Meeting with Murray Sue hadn't arranged this but instead Ron spoke to Murray and Murray has sent Ron additional information. Ron hadn't asked about the audit/accounting fee but will contact Murray again.
- Meeting with Julian Nick will get on to this now some time has gone by since the death of Julian's mother.
- Proposals for what Board wanting to achieve Sue still to do.
- Ron asked where things are at with the Advisory Group work. Sue felt it still needs to be discussed at a face to face meeting.

6. Clubs Running Events under Covid Rules

Daryl (Waikato Club president) had contacted Sue to see what the Board stance was on vaccination/negative test requirements to attend events. Sue contacted Julian and is awaiting further advice. The Waikato event was held with all those attending required to provide proof of at least one vaccination or a negative test.

General discussions on whether the Board should mandate vaccinations/negative tests.

- Should really just stay with the Government requirements for the relevant Alert Level as could be pushing things too far to require vaccinations. Runs the risk of alienating people.
- Board should have a policy for Championship events. Minimum should be a negative
 Covid test within three days prior to the event if attendees are unwilling to provide
 proof of vaccination. For club events it is really up to the club providing they meet Govt.
 and Public Health requirements.
- Need to show leadership. It is one thing to have a Covid Plan on paper but at events people are continuing to do as they like. Requirements will only increase.
- At Level 2 it should be mandatory for masks to be worn in the vet ring and secretary's
 office.
- If there are rules then they have to be policed to ensure everyone is doing as required. Who will enforce the rules and how will it be done?
- Proof of negative test/vaccination could be a condition of entry to the ride base with someone on the gate to police it.
- No different to any other rules that have to be complied with when running an event. Ground Jury and TD are there to ensure all rules are followed.
- Ask ESNZ for a copy of the FEI Policy

Action SR

- Don't want to create rules then ESNZ put out requirements that are different.
- If the Govt. mandate vaccination for attending events this is likely to be prior to the North Island champs so need to keep in mind time frames so people get their vaccinations done in time.
- Add Covid as an agenda item for the next meeting as more will be known by then.

Action Jl

The Board were all in favour of publishing a notice advising:

- 1. Masks are required to be worn in and around the vet ring.
- 2. Masks are required to be worn in and around the secretary's office.
- **3.** That the Board support vaccinations.
- **4.** That the Board support the stance that Waikato Club took at the club's recent event.

7. Club Affiliation Agreement

There was a discussion on the proposed amendments and additions. The Board were all in favour of the amendments/additions as presented.

8. Mt Linton Club

Ron briefed the Board on the Mt Linton Club. There was a good attendance at their recent officials course. The club now have a new President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

9. Waitaki Club

Kevin gave an update on how the Waitaki Club are progressing following on from the National Champs they held this year. The Nationals financial statement should be available soon. The club has had some issues to deal with but are looking forward to their upcoming event this month.

8. Inwards Correspondence

nil

9. Finance Report

Forecast is a loss of \$9-10k.

Start Fees - slight improvement on the latest report received.

Income from ride levies has been affected as several early season events had to be cancelled due to Covid Alert Levels.

The Board ratified their decision that had previously been made via email to reimburse Sue for the cost of the flowers sent to Beryl Sagar.

Moved: Jenny/Pip

The Board agreed to offer to reimburse Tony for his flights to Christchurch for the next meeting. Ron will advise Tony.

Action: RG

11. General Business

Publicity

Discussion on publicity and what avenues may be available and where the sport may get the best coverage.

Suggestion made that people with a significant public image could be invited along to take part in events.

12. Next Meeting

5th December 2021. Venue – Nick's place. If Covid prevents members from travelling then hold a Zoom meeting on the same day instead.

13. Close of Meeting

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:05pm