



Minute Synopsis - ESNZ Eventing Board Meeting 22 February By Zoom

Present: Margaret Evans (Chair), Heelan Tompkins (NI Riders Rep), Emily Cammock (SI Riders Rep), Jane Callaghan, Clive Long, Grant Porter, Rosie Edwards (OC Rep), Chris Perkins (OC Rep), Shannon Galloway (from 10.15am), Raewyn Eastwood (from 11.25am).
Attended By: Julian Bowden (ESNZ CEO) (full meeting), Lynda Clark (ESNZ Board Chair) (1pm –2.00pm)

Apologies:

Hamish Butler-Gallie

Meeting Administration

Welcome: The Chair opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and thanking them for their attendance.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting on 25th January which had been circulated were accepted.

Matters Arising: There were no matters arising

Follow Up Action: All action items were complete or in progress.

Strategic Discussion

Annual Work Plan and KPIs

- Media and Communications: Chris working with April and Christen re event reports. Setting plan for 2022 a priority. Chris to follow up.
- Finance and Funding: No change in circumstances to be able to revisit decision on Oceania.
- Sponsorship and commercialisation: Jane reported that she was working on a couple of prospects and would liaise with Shannon.
- OCs: Working with TAG on Zoom meeting for ‘Local officials for local events’ for OCs.
- Riders’ report: Heelan reported that work on the calendar was continuing. Hunua has taken over HoY FEI dates for 3* and 4*.
- Officials Development/Recruitment: Clive preparing a letter to OCs, will follow with Zoom meeting. Good response to seminar in Southland with four potential candidates

and two more at Central Districts. Close to launching WhatsApp page for course designers. Clive to distribute letter and organise follow up zoom.

- **Board Restructure:** Marg took the meeting through the submissions on the restructure. After some discussion it was resolved to send it to the ESNZ Board unchanged. Marg to write to ESNZ Board requesting approval of changes to Eventing By-laws; Marg to respond to submitters.

ESNZ Statement of Strategic Intent

Lynda Clark, ESNZ Board Chair joined the meeting to present the ESNZ Board's new statement of strategic intent – a guiding document for all. Lynda said she appreciated the opportunity to discuss the document with the Eventing Board. Lynda explained the process followed during the development of the Statement, and outlined the key thinking behind the strategy. Following the presentation, Lynda and CEO Julian Bowden answered questions from the Eventing Board, and several suggestions were made by those at the meeting. With respect to Eventing's own strategic focus, it was agreed that Marg as Chair would work with Julian on a process to develop Eventing's own plans to align with the ESNZ strategy.

General Business

Sport Manager The Sport Manager position has been offered to Hayley Pickmere of Auckland, who would commence in the role at the end of March.

AGM The benefits of participating in a combined AGM was discussed. Will await feedback from other disciplines. Heelan suggested Taupo as a good location; Julian to look at costs of Christchurch Convention Centre.

CEO Update. Julian noted that there were a number of positions within Central ESNZ they are currently recruiting for. He is attending the FEI forum in Lausanne in April. Board members to feed back to Marg any items specific to eventing that they would like considered. He would also be meeting with the chief executive of British Eventing.

Request from Eventing Canterbury. A letter from Eventing Canterbury asking the Board to consider allocating the National 3 Day Event to them was tabled. The benefits, questions to be answered, and the effects on the calendar were discussed. It was agreed that the calendar working group be tasked with considering all aspects of this request and to report back to the Board to inform a decision.

Course Designers. There are currently challenges for OCs (such as that for Canterbury as detailed in a letter), in securing a FEI 4* course designers. It was agreed that Jane would lead a group to look at ways to address this.

Financial. Raewyn presented an update. It was noted that 81% of Eventing's income is derived from events, and this autumn to date, only 8 out of 15 events had run in their original format. There are many reasons why OCs elect to cancel or run under another format – Board members felt that we needed to be supportive to OCs and provide the best information possible such as that from the hui run by ESNZ.

Oceania. There were some concerns regarding the multiple risks associated with sending teams to Australia. It was agreed that Heelan and Emily would do a risk assessment and report back to the Board. Julian to liaise with Heelan and Emily prior to signing off on the Oceania agreement.

Horse Ambulance. Marg has met with Raewyn re-funding. Drafts of plan and brochure prepared by working group. Marg, Shannon, and Chris to complete brochure.

Reports

Performance and Development. Heelan reported that the OC submission form for event date requests would be up-dated to include the course designers name.

NECs. General discussion around the NECs and future development. To be continued at next meeting when updated NEC reports in hand. Could also have a discussion at the AGM if representatives from both NECs are present.

National 3 Day. Board members on the committee are there to provide oversight for the Board.

All other tabled reports taken as read.

Meeting closed: 2.25pm