

## Bridge in the City Inc.

Minutes of meeting of Friday 14 March 2025 11:30 am to 12:15 pm

Clarence Gardens Bowling Club

### **Present.**

David Anderson (President), Cynthia Brinkman (member), Graham Stucley (member), Glenn Trenwith (Treasurer), Carmel Thompson (Vice President), Stuart Tuck (member), Jackie Watkins (member)

### **Apologies.**

Moir Smith (Secretary). Moira is unwell so Graham will take minutes this time.

### **Prior minutes.**

Minutes of last committee meeting agreed by show of hands as true and correct.

Minutes of AGM agreed as true and correct by show of hands. David also advised that the AGM minutes need agreement at next AGM as part of normal Corporations requirements.

### **Agenda.**

This is generally set by the Secretary.

For future Committee members to forward agenda items / attachments to Secretary 7 days in advance for Secretary to then circulate to Committee.

### **Relocation April.**

David updated the Committee. Will not need relocation for April. May need tables and chairs set up in Lounge for some sessions. A very good outcome given this will be a substantial work period.

### **Audit / Process Review.**

Bronwyn Vale suggested as possible Audit / Process reviewer. Two Committee members know of her skills and expertise. David will put Glenn (Treasurer) in contact with Bronwyn to agree scope, process, timing and cost.

The general plan of the work was discussed. It is to review / check and then make recommendations for any improvements of all financial systems. Aim is for this to be done within two months. This will be followed by a check of year end FY2025 and perhaps of an end of month accounts earlier once any changes are implemented.

### **Bank Signatories**

These are to be David Anderson, Glenn Trenwith and Graham Stucley. Glenn and Graham will need to liaise with bank to organise authorization. Plan is for David and Glen to be the normal ones operating the account with Graham as a back up if and as needed.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Glenn tabled a reconciliation of the bank balance for the 2 months to 28/2/25 noting that this is for the bank cash account only – viz does not itemise the 2 term deposits.

There is an accumulation of funds from fundraising that is intended to be used on the sausage sizzles. Glen will prepare a reconciliation of this ledger for tabling at the next meeting. This will show funds generated and as consumed and current balance.

Subsequent to meeting David advised: The Quiz night account had \$857 in it at the end of 2024, \$402 of this has been spent in 2025.

### **Social Events**

Stuart has booked Christmas in July lunch for Sunday 27 July at midday at Maid of Auckland. Invitation is to be added to next newsletter.

Next on site BBQ could be on Anzac day – to be confirmed if OK by Stuart.

### **General Discussion**

David advised that membership renewals to date show a gain of 10 members and a loss of 4 members.

David would like to discuss website design improvement with a web designer named Roger Spence. After discussion, David will put a proposal to the Committee. Committee members requested that this include looking at a logo for the Club.

The idea of a Facebook page is on hold as no-one expressed expertise to develop this idea. Carmel has made a page, but we talked about the size of the club and whether there was a current need to attract new members. It was decided to wait till later in the year. Also discussed pamphlets and a sign at the club but would not continue till after the possibility of obtaining a suitable logo.

There was some discussion that money may be available from the local government (Mitcham). Stewart has done some investigation and was not available at that time. Carmel thought there may be funds available.

Jinny Fuss has offered to be representative on SABF. Committee members voted to endorse her representation.

Veronica McCauley has offered to continue to be the welfare person for the Club.

There was some discussion about the format of the Monday bridge sessions if numbers continue to increase Option1: having an A grade (Purple) and a B grade (Pink). Options 2: have two equal groups. Opinions appeared to be mixed within the Committee re the Options and there were no strong views from members. We may do a members survey should the situation arise.

### **Psych Bidding**

David will consider a repost the policy on this in the regular email newsletter as a reminder. (This planned repost is preventative - there have been no reported incidents of this.)

### **Next Meeting**

Friday 4 April 11 am.

GS 15/3/25