

NORTHERN IRELAND BRIDGE UNION

COUNCIL

(Draft) Minutes of a meeting held at La Mon on Sunday June 3rd 2018 from 4.30pm.

Present: Harold Curran (Chair), Anne Hassan (Immediate Past Chair), Michael McFaul (Hon. Secretary), Anne Fitzpatrick (Hon. Treasurer), Liz Scott (Hon. Competitions Secretary), Ian Hamilton (Hon. Master Points Secretary), John Ferguson, Ken Hammond, Nuala Mooney, Norman Lacey, Norma Irwin, Christine Crockett, Helen Hall, Eric Lesage

1. Apologies

Ian Lindsay, Heather Hill, Tom McKeever

2. Minutes of the meeting held on May 9th 2018

On a proposal by PJ and seconded by KH, the Minutes were agreed.

3. Matters Arising

Item 4(3): GDPR.

Helen Hall said that Rosemary Kilpatrick had done a lot of work for Kelvin & Malone on this topic and she asked that her experience be shared with other clubs.

Item 4(11): Inter A&B League Play-Offs.

Christine Crockett asked about the background to this issue. After explaining the circumstances, Liz Scott said that the matter had been dealt with.

Item 10b: Junior Bridge.

Helen Hall confirmed that the NIBU would only be fielding 1 team in each of the 2019 Junior Camrose & Peggy Bayer. This was despite hosting the events.

4. Appointment of IBU Delegates

On a proposal by Pat Johnston and seconded by Liz Scott the following were appointed: Harold Curran, John Murchan, Anne Fitzpatrick, Michael McFaul, Ian Lindsay, Helen Hall, Anne Hassan (Incoming IBU Chair)

5. Appointment of BGB delegate

On a proposal by Ian Hamilton and seconded by John Ferguson, Helen Hall was appointed.

6. Appointment of Honorary Congress Organiser.

On a proposal by John Ferguson and seconded by Norma Irwin, Anne Hassan was appointed.

7. Appointment of Solicitor

Liz Scott proposed that the appointment be deferred until such a situation arose that required external legal advice. This was agreed by a show of hands.

8. Committee Membership

Michael McFaul announced the names of those who had volunteered to serve. The outgoing Selection Committee would be unchanged. Helen Hall would serve on the Tournament Committee, replacing Sandie Millership while Ian Hamilton, as a serving officer, would no longer have a vote. The Laws and Ethics Committee would consist of Rex Anderson, Alan Sharp, Shelagh McCaughan and John Ferguson. The Youth Committee would consist of Pat Johnston, Sandie Millership, Norma Irwin, Rosemary Kilpatrick and Diane Greenwood. On a proposal by Liz Scott and seconded by Helen Hall, the membership of committees was agreed.

9. Meetings of Council.

Michael McFaul explained that meetings in recent years had been pre-arranged on a bi-monthly basis. John Ferguson proposed that meetings be reduced in number by changing to a tri-monthly cycle while continuing to meet on the second Wednesday. This was agreed on a show of hands and dates of meetings for the 2018-19 season would now be:

September 12th 2018

December 12th 2018

March 13th 2019

May 8th 2019 (pre-AGM)

All dates to be confirmed at the September meeting.

10. Sonya Britton Trophy.

Members expressed concern at the cost of accommodation for this event which had now been switched to the Crown Plaza in Dundalk. Following discussion it was agreed that all NIBU players would be granted £25 towards the cost of the evening meal.

The meeting ended at 5.15pm.

Michael McFaul
Hon. Secretary.