

NORTHERN IRELAND BRIDGE UNION

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Summary of a meeting held at BakerTillyMooneyMoore offices on May 13th 2015 at 5.15pm

Present: John Bergin (Chair) (JB), Michael McFaul (MMcF), Robin Burns (RB), Anne Fitzpatrick (AF).

1. Apologies – John Murchan, Ciara Burns.
2. Declarations of Interest – None.
3. Action recorded at previous meeting:
 - a) NIBU Manual. MMcF reported work in progress.
 - b) Affiliation. MMcF and AF reported no apparent income from remaining clubs in respect of affiliation fees.

Action: AF & MMcF to compile updated list of paid-up clubs. All clubs to be reminded that bank transfers must be accompanied by a clear reference so that affiliation fees can be clearly identified.

- c) Match Screens & tables. 6 had been purchased. JB noted that while all agreed the screens were needed, he reminded the meeting that Council approval was required for all purchases above £1000. He asked that this principle be adhered to in respect of all future expenditure.
4. Coaching Fees. Approval was given to the costed coaching proposal submitted to the Selection Committee by Ciara Burns. It was agreed that, from next season, an NIBU 'going rate' would be set. Approval was also given to remunerate Pat Johnston and Norma Irwin for directing the Intermediate trials.
5. Financial Report – AF tabled a Profit & Loss a/c and current Balance sheet.

Action: MMcF to research a new bond to invest the £11k currently invested @1% p.a in National Savings.
6. NIBU Budget. JB proposed that a proper costed business plan be devised for the forthcoming season. This would itemise planned expenditure as part of a general review.
7. Newsletter – JB urged all to support the next edition, planned for the summer, by submitting articles and items of interest to Derek Cannell.
8. Margo McClure trophy. It was agreed that this new trophy would be presented to the winners of the Teams at the Autumn Congress. It was noted that Margo was currently in hospital

Action: MMcF to write to Margo and thank her for the trophy and wish her a speedy recovery.

Next meeting to be held at Clarendon Road at 5.15pm on Wednesday June 24th 2015

Michael McFaul

Hon. Secretary.

