STEPBRIDGE AUSTRALIA BRIDGE CLUB INCORPORATED
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MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

of

STEPBRIDGE AUSTRALIA BRIDGE CLUB INCORPORATED NSW NO.1601614

HELD VIA SKYPE ON 11 OCTOBER 2021 AT
6.00 P.M. (NSW & VIC), 5.30 P.M. (SA), 5.00 P.M. (QLD), 9.00 A.M. (Netherlands)

1. **Present**

Sarah Anwar	Chris Larter
Mark Hetherington	Rita Pringle
Brenda McClean	Suzi Ledger
Eric Taylor	Howard Brownscombe
Antonina Hayles	Chris Raisin

   Apology   Epko Steinmetz

2. **Acceptance of Minutes from Previous Committee Meeting on 6 September.**

   Moved: Chris   **Seconded:** Eric   **All accepted.**

3. **President's Report**
   A copy of the President's report was sent out prior to the meeting via email.

   Moved: Sarah Anwar   **Seconded:** Brenda McClean   **All accepted.**

4. **Treasurer's Report**
   A copy of the Treasurer's report was sent out prior to the meeting via email.

   Howard asked if a list of payments for each month could be provided. This will be discussed with the Bookkeeper and an update provided at the next meeting.

   Moved: Suzi Ledger   **Seconded:** Chris Larter   **All accepted.**

5. **Chief Technical Officer's Report**
   A copy of the Chief Technical Officer's report was sent out prior to the meeting via email.

The President provided an explanation of Honorariums, SBI License Fee, Virtual Clubs and other ways StepBridge can contribute to the Bridge Community.

There was an explanation of how the club has grown from approx. 80 members with one session a day pre-COVID to over 2000 members with multiple sessions each day.

The 7-Day graph was also presented.

There was a discussion about contact details for players that disconnected, which was mentioned in the CTO's report. It was decided that TDs log the number of times that phone numbers are not available when disconnections happen.

Moved: Mark Hetherington   **Seconded:** Sarah Anwar   **All accepted.**

6. New Business

a. Incoming & Outgoing Correspondence

The Secretary read out the following emails from the following people as incoming mail.
- Rita Pringle
- Murray Paterson

b. Constitution

It was agreed that the Constitution requires a rewrite within the next 12 months.

Howard Brownscombe has had some experience regarding Constitutions and is willing to assist.

The President said that we have a non-practicing lawyer who dealt with Constitutions in past and is happy to offer her assistance and input.

Howard is happy to contact and work with the non-practicing lawyer with the rewrite of the Constitution.

c. Congresses – Online 2021 & Face2Face 2022

The President offered grateful thanks to CTO for what he has done with our online congresses.

The CTO explained that the standard StepBridge software does not deal with congresses and explained the current situation with congresses on StepBridge.

The Secretary provided an update on entries for the online congress on Sunday 31 October.

The current proposal of the F2F Congress in Orange in 2022 was explained.

d. State Affiliation

The Secretary provided a State Affiliation comparison sheet, which was explained. The comparison, for the exercise, involved South Australia, New South Wales and Queensland. The consensus was to stay with South Australia for the time being.

e. Melbourne Cup Day

A discussion regarding Melbourne Cup Day was had. It was agreed that the 1pm session will be our Melbourne Cup Day session. There will also be sweeps and a hat competition.

The details of the day to be left to a sub committee consisting of Brenda McClean, Rita Pringle and Sarah Anwar.

f. Committee Meeting

Committee meetings going forward will be held every 3 months on the 2nd Monday of the month. If there is anything urgent to be discussed between meeting, either an extra meeting can be held or discussion via email.

Next Meeting
Monday, 10 January 2022, 6.00pm AEDT.

Meeting closed 7.19pm (AEDT)

Chris Larter
<u>Minute Secretary</u>