



**STEPBRIDGE AUSTRALIA BRIDGE CLUB INCORPORATED
INC1601614**

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

of

STEPBRIDGE AUSTRALIA BRIDGE CLUB INCORPORATED NSW NO.1601614

HELD VIA SKYPE ON 9 MAY 2022 AT

5.00 P.M. (QLD & NSW), 4.30 P.M. (SA), 10.00 A.M. (Turkey), 9.00 A.M. (Netherlands)

1. Present Sarah Anwar Chris Larter
Mark Hetherington Suzi Ledger
Epko Steinmetz Pauline Caust (6c onwards)
Antonina Hayles Rita Pringle

Apology Eric Taylor Brenda McClean

2. Acceptance of Minutes from Previous Committee Meeting on 17 March.

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

3. President's Report

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

The President spoke to the report at the meeting.

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

4. Treasurer's Report

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

The Treasurer spoke to the report and financials at the meeting.

The Treasurer said that a P & L for April will be sent out once completed.

Moved: Suzi **Seconded:** Sarah **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 Chief Technical Officer spoke to the report at the meeting.

In addition, the Chief Technical Officer said that there is background work happening in regards to the improving of the internal reporting and suspicious players software.

Moved: Mark **Seconded:** Suzi **All accepted.**

6. New Business

a. Incoming & Outgoing Correspondence

Nil

b. Zoom License

Due to Skype becoming more unreliable, it was agreed that a Zoom Pro Level License (currently \$209.90 for a year) be purchased.

The License will be able to be used for StepBridge (i.e., Committee meetings, TD Training sessions, Bridge Teaching, and Showing New Players around StepBridge).

The Secretary is to arrange a Zoom practice session for Committee members, prior to the next meeting, so they become familiar with the program.

Moved: Chris **Seconded:** Suzi

c. Constitution Revamp

Following corrections after the last Committee meeting, a copy of the following documents was sent out prior to the meeting via email

- Explanatory Memo No 2
- Updated SB Constitution
- Registration and Membership Rules

A member of the Constitution Sub-Committee provided a brief explanation and advised that the Constitution is ready for consideration by the Committee. There were no questions by the Committee.

Following discussion on when to present the updated Constitution to the membership, it was decided that Monday 11 July, 6pm, would be an appropriate time for a Special General Meeting.

The Constitution Sub-Committee is to assist the Secretary with preparing the notice and documentation for the membership.

The Committee approved the Constitution and to allow preparations to proceed for the Special General Meeting. **All in favour**

d. Fund Raising for Flood Relief & Ukraine

Following discussion, the Committee agreed to hold 'A Day for Ukraine' on Thursday 19 May at all sessions. This will consist of Red Point sessions all day and the money raised from these sessions to go to Ukraine.

Epko said that he is happy to support the day as well from SBI.

e. Annual General Meeting

Following discussion, it was agreed to leave the Annual General Meeting on 30 September.

f. Tournament Directors

The President, in the role as Head TD, advised the meeting that a TD technical training session is being scheduled for Wednesday 18 May, 7pm, using the virtual club facility. This is following some TDs having technical difficulties.

The President also advised the meeting that TD meetings were happening monthly, run by Alan Bustany, on the laws of bridge. Epko advised that the Netherlands conducts these meetings quarterly.

g. Next Meeting

Monday, 11 July 2022, 5.00pm AEST

Meeting closed 6.05pm (AEST)

Chris Larter
Secretary

Confirmed: 

Date: 11 July 2022