

Fencing Central Committee Meeting Minutes

Time: 20:15 – 21:30 hours

Date: Monday, 28 November 2022

Venue: Video Conference

Present: Nicole Martin (Chair), Jules Congalton, Vicci Lamb, Harry Bloomfield,
Nathan Newton, Janis Hill, Rebecca Witteman

1 Apologies: Casper Howell, Stephen Peterson

2 Minutes of the Last Meeting:

- Moved they be accepted: Newton / Seconded: Lamb

3 Matters Arising – Action List

Discussed actions in FenCen trello board.

Actions: Captured in FenCen Trello board

4. Financial and Membership

Financial Report: No accounts were provided.

Affiliations: No updated provided. (There were 89 as at last meeting, 87 affiliations as at 1 Nov 2021. 2020 was 68 for the full year. 2019 had 125 affiliations.)

Coaches / club should remind new fencers that they need to affiliate

Actions: None

5 FeNZ Matters

- Update provided

Actions: None

6 Competition Matters

- Recently completed:
 - 6 Nov: Baby Cham (U13 #4) (HVFC) **Cancelled**
 - 12 Nov: Fielding Friendly Fencing Feast **Went well but could have had more sabre referees**
 - 21 Nov: Central Novice Sec Schools #2 (WSFC) **Cancelled**
- Coming up:
 - 3 Dec: Friendly Foil (VUWSC) **Cancelled**
 - 4 Dec: Central Awards Evening (HVFC) **Covered below**

Actions: none

7 Club Matters

- Updates were provided by club reps.
- New Plymouth club - Nathan McKnight has moved to Wellington so may need some support for continuity

Actions: none

8 Health & Safety

- Health Safety Officer provided an update. No H&S issues have come up.

Actions: none

9 Other Business

- Awards for the Awards Evening were agreed. These were captured on a separate spreadsheet maintained by Nathan.
- Grant Applications:
 - Application to Olympic Solidarity to cover Sec School venue hire.
 - Priority is new equipment and pistes – awaiting for pricing from Daniel.
 - Then laptop.
 - Janis is working on High performance and Sport NZ relationship and targeted athlete funding. Also working with Nuku Ora with Robert.
- 2023 FenCen Competition Calendar. It was agreed that the proposed calendar is fine.
- Proposal 1: Central Open Profit
 - That Fencing Central donate the profit share from Fencing Central Open event equal to $(\$1455.89 / 2 =) \727.94 , to Hawkes Bay Blades to support the establishment of HBB new club in line with Fencing Central's objectives of encouraging the growth in our base of fencers in the region.
 - Moved: Martin / Seconded: Lamb (all voted in favour)
- Proposal 2: Support for Wayne Cui's clubs to purchase scoring machines
 - Wayne is running two clubs outside of Wellington South for ~ 25 members.
 - Historically we provided support to Wellington South to meet 50% of the cost of the scoring machines
 - Stephen would like Fencing Central to consider supporting Wayne to purchase two scoring machines and reels subject to
 - receiving a quote for the equipment
 - having Wayne support the affiliation of all his club members
 - in the event that the club folds the gear comes back to the region so we can support other clubs
 - **Discussion:** Consider wireless option – may be more cost effective. Could apply for a grant but would need to be incorporated (Janis checking the whether need to be incorporated). Would be better if club was incorporated society. Club should also be affiliated with FenCen – this should help them increase their members by being listed on the FencCen website

- Nathan will write up an email outlining above points and send to Nicole and Stephen so Stephen can go back to Wayne.
- Proposal 3: Adopt recreational category and set fee zero
 - Recreational fencer category with zero fees in order to capture all fencers. These fencers would be able fence at tournaments and camps. If we support this, we need to add this option to the website.
 - All to review and respond to Stephen via email to confirm whether you support the proposal
- Nathan has a copy of photos from the photo shoot earlier this year. Nathan will find out the cost to use the three actions photos. Nathan has other stock photos – Nathan will share these with Janis.

Actions: none

10 Date of Next Meeting
Monday, 23 January 2022 – 8:15 pm
Online