



Minutes of the Board of ESNZ Endurance
Held from 7.06pm on 15th September 2021
Zoom Meeting

Present:

Sue Reid (Chair)	SR
Nick Page	NP
Hanna Whitehead	HW
Kevin James	KJ
Ron Guest	RG
Jenny Weston	JW

Apologies: Pip Mutch

In Attendance: Jo Lankow from 7:40pm – Minute Taker and Sport Administrator
JL

1. Welcome

Sue welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Conflicts relevant to the agenda:

Sue– National Champs Hosting Agreement

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting- 11th August

The Board declared the minutes of the previous meeting (11th August) were a true and accurate record.

Moved: Sue

4. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

Nil

5. Action List

- Nick said he must agree before his name is put on the Action List for any Actions. He did not know he was to be Chair of Finance Committee and doesn't have time for that role. Jenny agreed to Chair the Finance committee.
Jenny commented that there had been no Profit and Loss statement or Balance Sheet received from ESNZ for the AGM and they still haven't been received
Arrange a zoom meeting with Murray to sort out details of what is expected **Action: SR**
- Affiliation Agreement - Jo to send copy in word to Jenny **Action: JL**
- Additional member for OTP - Officials panel will remain as just Ron and Heidi with Heidi as chair. The vacancy will not be filled at this time.
- Publicity – Hanna isn't going to appoint anyone but will co-opt others to assist as required.
- Casual Membership – Sue has sent letter to the ESNZ Board

6. FEI Events for 2022 for Approval

South Island Champs and Nationals approved. Details for North Island Champs still to come. Sue will follow up if not received within next few days.

7. Championship Hosting Agreements

Changes approved.

Moved Sue/Kevin

8. Inwards Correspondence

Email from W Farnell re TMPs

- TMPs were discussed briefly at the AGM
- Sue queried if this was a Board matter or a club matter.
- Nick felt it was a Board matter but as it involves Government regulations then any lobbying on behalf of Endurance needs to be done by ESNZ at a higher level.
- It is mainly Canterbury, Mackenzie and Waitaki Clubs this affects especially as they are crossing and/or riding alongside roads that have 100kph speed limits.
- Nick will discuss the issue with Julian to see what ESNZ can do to help. **Action: NP**
- Sue to reply to Wendy advising the Board will discuss with ESNZ. **Action: SR**

9. Advisory Team Report

- Ron advised that Tony and he felt they needed to come back to the Board with what they had done to date and to seek approval to move forward with aspects of the report.
- The interim report was discussed at length.
- Sue stated that some senior riders had advised her they were surprised they hadn't been contacted. She felt that, because of that, the report may be based mainly on the opinions of riders who compete at the lower distances.
- Ron advised they had done 30 one on one interviews across a range of riders and he had also discussed the issues with officials at both the recent FEI course and the National course at Taupo. As they were getting a similar message from everyone they spoke to they felt there was little point at this stage in proceeding with further interviews. But they can do more if required.
- The Board felt that because this was such an important issue it would be best to hold a face to face meeting and for Tony to also attend so they could discuss the report in greater detail.
- Suggested date was 31st October at ESNZ offices if boardroom and all Board members available that day. Sue to check with Emma re boardroom availability. Ron will check if Tony is available that day. **Action: SR & RG**
- Jenny thanked Ron for the work he and Tony they had done to date and for the comprehensive report they had produced.

10. Technical Committee Report

The Technical Committee felt that with the likelihood of more CEN only rides of 100km and longer being held there needed to be some measures taken to ensure the officials and vets had the necessary endurance experience to fill the main roles at these events.

The recommendations in the report would allow the officials and vets to progress through a national system if they didn't want to follow the FEI promotion pathway.

It was moved that the recommendations in the report be approved and the Supplementary Rules be updated accordingly.

Moved: Nick/Sue

All were in favour.

11. Items for Information

Service Fees

- Ron was surprised that the Audit fee was almost as much as the Accounting fee.
- Maybe the split of some items between the disciplines is no longer reasonable give that Endurance is now smaller than it used to be.

FEI Rule Changes

- Disappointment expressed by some Board members that the original letter Nick and Sue had drafted had not been forwarded on to the FEI but instead it had been toned down to make it more conciliatory.
- Need to push harder and tell it as it is.
- Ron said the FEI will never change unless they get the correct story told to them
- Nick will talk to Julian about the situation with the FEI rules having such a negative impact on the smaller nations. And to see if a zoom meeting could be set up to discuss the issue direct with the FEI.

Action: NP

12. Next Meeting

31st October 2021. Venue - ESNZ Boardroom subject to availability. Start time 9.00.

13. Close of Meeting

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:00pm