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Minutes of BSAAC Meeting 14 January 2019 held at Burns Club - Kambah

Meeting opened at 7.07 pm

Attendance: Mark O'Neill, Dave Spooner, Leigh Condon and Loraine O'Bryan

Apologies: nil

Minutes of the previous meeting: Leigh Condon moved that the minutes of 10 December be accepted, seconded by Dave Spooner. **Carried**

Correspondence: Email from Nick Payne with generous offer to assist the committee which the committee was pleased to accept. Nick will be invited to attend the next meeting of the Association. A discussion took place about the current PO Box's access, and a suggestion to change the PO box to a more convenient location was made. The committee agreed to re-address this issue as the renewal of the PO box rental approaches.

Financial Report: Leigh Condon gave a report on the Association's financial situation as at 30 December with the Association's working Account showing a balance of \$3,710 and the other account of \$7,090 (the donation received from the Weston Raiders which was accepted by BSAACT on the condition that these funds be used only for development and promotion of the sport) was moved by Mark and seconded by David. **Carried**

Business Arising from the Minutes:

1. John Lussick had spoken to the committee about having T/shirts for members with the BSAACT logo embossed on the T/shirt. The committee agreed with John that this would be a good way to advertise our sport. However, the Association's financial situation would not allow us to do this at present **as there is still a considerable amount of money still outstanding as a result of some members not paying their 2018/19 membership and 2018 winter competition fees.** The Association is happy for teams to buy their own team T/shirts.
2. Leigh Condon had prepared a draft Constitution which Dave Spooner would take to Russell at Maddocks for review.
3. The relocation of the 3 tables at the Southern Cross Club and the removal of the other 2 tables to Jamieson sometime in February has meant that the BSAACT Calendar for 2019 and venues has had to be changed with The Burns Club offering to assist until the tables are relocated at SC. This means the draws for the Autumn comps (the 6 red snooker and the group billiards) will come before the main Summer competitions. David Spooner has offered to assist Leigh Condon with the draws. This may also mean some adjustment/s to proposed coaching clinics.
4. The Southern Cross Club is not assisting with the re-clothing of any of the tables and as a result Danny Williams indicated their club would contribute to re-clothing one of the tables at Woden SC and BSAACT has agreed in principle to assist with a one-off amount of \$1,000 towards re-clothing one other table at Woden. David would speak with Danny Williams regarding the situation and report back to the next meeting. It was felt that it would be in the interest of members and the sport to raise funds through holding a number of short competitions specifically for the maintenance of the tables.
5. The cost of purchasing an EFT machine for the Association was not feasible at present due to the exorbitant cost.
6. Leigh Condon gave an update on the trophy situation. Several trophies were not presented at last year's presentation dinner including the Fallon Trophy. This trophy has great significance in relation to the history of Billiards and Snooker in the ACT and has now only room for 2 more listings. Mark O'Neill suggested that the 'A' grade snooker champion team mirror trophy needs to go in the ACT Sports Museum and the other members of the committee were in agreement. Some of the perpetual trophies will also need replacing.

7. Original Quote for the trophies for 2018 presentation was \$1,395, but the location of trophies that had been missing will add to the overall cost for the trophies. There is also the cost of 3 vests @ \$39.95 and their embroidering. A final quote is to be provided after all requirements are finalised.

The Fallon trophy formula is as follows;

- a. a minimum of 3 teams competing over the year in any grade and/or discipline in order for a club to qualify.
- b. The best three results are used.
- c. The greatest percentage of points achieved in relation to points possible, eg a team might finish with 70 points obtained over the competition, if that team won 8 out of 8 points every week they would have had 100 points, so they have a % of 70%.
- d. The combined % of the best results for 3 teams from each club is determined and the Fallon trophy is awarded to the Club whose teams % is superior.

8. Presentation Night Schedule

- a. **5 pm Registrations** – membership and team fees can be paid from 5 pm on 31 January or by EFT prior to the night. (all members to fill out a new membership form with adequate contact details so the Association’s Membership Register meets the legal requirements for operating an incorporated association). There will be 2 people handling the payments on the evening. The A/g Secretary will collect the unpaid fees and the Competition Director will handle all the new membership/competition fees.
- b. **6 pm Captains Meeting** and all Team Captains will be offered a copy of the Rules of the Games of Snooker and English Billiards.
- c. **7 pm Trophy presentations** by BSAACT President Mark O’Neill and Vice-President David Spooner. The trophies will be presented in ascending order.
- d. Members will have the opportunity to purchase a copy of the rule book for \$6 each.
- e. Members will receive a ticket on the night for entry to the Lucky door Prizes. The committee approved the purchase of wine and chocolates for these prizes. Loraine to action.
- f. Bob Fraser to be approached to take photos of the presentations.

Other Business:

1. New legislation re messaging platforms using encryption has resulted in the web master deciding to remove the login on the BSAACT website because of the numerous attempts to hack into our website. However, members can still submit a form and visit the website.
2. There was discussion on the need to have table maintenance undertaken in order for all tables to be maintained in good order. Currently John Hackett volunteers his time to undertake this task at the Burns Club for the benefit of all players. David Spooner suggested that we run a competition to fund maintenance of the tables. **The committee felt this situation deserved serious consideration and support from the membership.**
3. There was a brisk discussion about the process of fee collection, and how that might affect team members. Some thought that there should be a 2 or 3 week allowance after the commencement of a competition for players to get their fees up-to-date, but the discussion didn’t arrive at a clear definition of the responsibility of players to be financial before playing any competition. This will be put forward to the next meeting.

Meeting closed: 8.20 pm **Next Meeting:** 7 pm on 13 February 2019 at Burns Club - Kambah

Minutes of the meeting to be publicised on the website and in all Clubs.

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