

# WELLINGTON BRIDGE CLUB INC.

		Action
	<b>Minutes of the Committee Meeting held 11<sup>th</sup> December 2017 at 5.45pm</b>	
1	<b>Present:</b> Kevin Walker, Bridget Willcox, Maureen Pratchett, Margaret Curnow, (Chair) John Wilkinson, Karl Hayes, Susan Laurenson, Ruth Brucker, Tereska Knap, Miriam Tankersley, Simon Tankersley .Simon Louisson	
2	<b>Apologies;</b> Brad Tattersfield,	
3	<b>Previous Minutes:</b> The minutes of the Committee Meeting held <b>13<sup>th</sup> November were</b> confirmed. Ruth/Tereska. Amend to show date as 13 <sup>th</sup> November 2017	
4	<b>Matters Arising:</b> Honorarium – to be discussed at the conclusion of the meeting to exclude Chief Director & Treasurer.	
5	<b>Correspondence.</b> NZ Bridge Minutes	
6	<b>Directing and Scoring.</b> Christmas cheer was the first time the Bridge Tablets had been used for 2 sessions without re-charging. We are now reassured that they will go the distance. Maureen asked if we should have a caddie for Christmas Cheer. We had 28 tables and decided this was like a normal Bridge Session so a caddie is not warranted.	
7	<b>Financial Report:</b> Accounts payable approved for payment. Ruth/Maureen. Accounts receivable, some new members have not paid their initial invoices, reminders have been sent along with the 2018 Subscriptions.	
8	<b>Manager's Report:</b> Report tabled. A number of new members, mainly from the second set of lessons. Discussion on playing numbers, specifically decline in Thursday Night. Further discussion in General Business. At present 32% of members have paid their 2018 Subscription (compared to 19% at this time last year). Rental of Thorndon or Motorua Room. Trademe listing will cost us \$500 for advertising. All agreed to go ahead and list the room for rent with an agent. Bridget to arrange.	Bridget
9	<b>Beginners/Lessons.</b> Ruth is struggling to get Buddies for the last night.	
10	<b>Tournaments and Social.</b> Christmas Cheer went well, although we had very few helpers in the kitchen, so perhaps next year we have extra cover especially towards the end. Suzanne Duncan Tournament coming up. Susan all under control. IP Finals – went well.	Brad
11	<b>IT</b> Maureen will do a “make-over” on the website and is seeking approval to spend up to \$100 on widgets for the website. All agreed.	Maureen
12	<b>PR and Marketing</b> Simon yet to hear from the Wellington	

	<p>Regional Committee re the Radio advertising.</p> <p>Lowe &amp; Co donated a beautiful Hamper as a raffle prize for the Christmas Cheer</p>	
13	<p><b>Property;</b>  Pipitea Room upgrade, ceiling replacement and new lighting has commenced. This should be completed by Christmas.  Thorndon Room. Painters Inc had provided a quote for painting of both upstairs rooms but unfortunately are not in a position to carry out the work as they are overloaded.  Another painter (Johnny Buddle – who painted the kitchen last year with the agreement from Painters Inc – who were also busy then) is available (yet to quote) All agreed that if the quote is lesser than the Painters Inc quote we proceed  <i>NB Disclosed that Johnny Buddle is Bridget's daughters partner..</i></p>	
14	<b>Interclub</b> nothing to report	
15	<p><b>General Business.</b>  <u>Thursday Evening Sessions.</u> It is evident there is slow decline in Thursday Night attendance.  Lots of discussion on how to bolster numbers and organise play on Thursday Night.  Ideas include – emailing Wednesday Night Players and inviting them to play in Pairs events.  Encourage Pay and Play  Include/promote in the Newsletter.  Push the “lessons” prior to play and have a lesson for all of the Neal Salver Nights.  Offer a Prize Pool for the Neal Salver event  Agreed to a Prize Pool of \$300. (\$100 each for the winning pair and \$50 for the 2<sup>nd</sup> place)  Re-look at the playing numbers in 4 months' time.</p> <p><u>Air Conditioning.</u> – to ensure consistency of air flow the Grade Captain is to be the one who controls the air con, players should not be adjusting the units but asking the Grade Captains.,</p> <p><u>Honorarium.</u> The Sub-Committee (Brad, Margaret &amp; Bridget) recommended that the Honoraria be increased from \$1000 pa to \$1500 pa for the three current positions of Treasurer, Chief Director &amp; Auditor. General discussion and all Agreed.  (</p>	<i>John &amp; Maureen had been excluded from the meeting prior to the discussion)</i>
16	<b>Complaints Sub-Committee.</b> Nil	Brad
	<p><b>Meeting closed 7.25pm</b>  Next Committee meeting Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2018.</p>	<i>Endeavour to be completed by 7.15pm to allow members to play</i>