Minutes of the Board meeting of Inline Hockey New Zealand (IHNZ) held on 18 November 2017, 1:00pm at Cambridge

Present: Ivan Wood (Chair), Sue Kennedy, Mark Sutton, Simon Lovell, Pete Shields, Alison Storey (Independent), Henry Hillind (Independent)

1. WELCOME

- 1.1 The Chairperson welcomed board members and set the agenda for the meeting.
- 2. INTERESTS REGISTER AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST
- 2.1 No conflicts were declared.

3. BOARD MINUTES

3.1 The Board resolved:

Resolution: That the Board accept the minutes of the Board meeting held on 14 October as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

4. ACTION POINTS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 The Board discussed the action points from the previous meeting held on 14 October 2017. The Board's comments on the progress of each action point are detailed in the Schedule to these minutes.

5. Association Structure Consultation

5.1 The Board discussed the conclusion of the three consultation sessions regarding the vision of what the Association would like to achieve for its members and how it needs to structure itself operationally to do this. The Board noted the positive engagement of representatives of clubs from all regions.

(a) Action points:

- (i) Henry to assist with consolidating the responses from the three consultation sessions.
- (ii) Board to resolve at its next meeting the 2018 operational structure of the Association.

6. INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS

- 6.1 The Board considered the possible international events for New Zealand representative teams to attend in 2018. The Board:
 - (a) **Noted** that a decision regarding which international events teams will attend will depend on the results of squad trials and will be made before the end of January.
 - (b) Noted that IHNZ does not propose to put together a New Zealand representative squad for the U14 age grade, but recognises there may be interest at a club level in sending a club team to an international event.

Resolution: That IHNZ hold squad trials in January 2018 for teams to attend the following potential 2018 events:

- Senior Women FIRS World Roller Games (Italy)
- Junior Women (U18) FIRS World Roller Games (Italy) OR Narch (Irvine, California) and AAU Junior Olympics (Carona, California)
- U23, U18 and U16 Men Narch (Irvine, California) and AAU Junior Olympics (Carona, California) (with a view to developing a Junior Men (U18) squad for FIRS World Roller Games in 2019)

• Senior Men – IIHF Asian Oceania Regional Tournament

(c) Action points:

(i) Ivan to organise a communication to clubs regarding trials.

7. Domestic Season

- 7.1 The Board considered the draft schedule for the 2018 domestic season and discussed dates for the National Championships, squad trials for New Zealand teams, super league weekends and regional tournaments. The Board:
 - (a) **Noted** that the Regional League should be run in 2018 as an entry requirement for teams competing at the National Championships.
 - (b) Considered that a junior regionals tournament could be held over Labour Weekend for U10, U12 and U14 (and that this could be hosted at a smaller rink). Structure could include school leagues and would be open to entry by Australian teams.

Resolution: That the 2018 domestic season include a Regional League.

(c) Action points:

(i) Board to finalise 2018 domestic season schedule.

8. OFFICIALS

- 8.1 The Board discussed the recruitment of officials for the 2018 season. The Board:
 - (a) **Noted** that coaches of international teams will need to be assisted by two independent selectors for selecting the squad.

Resolution: That the application forms for 2018 team managers, coaches and selectors be made available in early December and invitations to apply sent to previous managers, coaches and selectors as well as to clubs.

- (b) Action points:
 - (i) Ivan to organise application forms.

9. NATIONALS TEAM ENTRIES

- 9.1 The Board considered the open entry approach at the National Championships in 2017. The Board:
 - (a) **Noted** feedback that there were too many teams in the senior grades.
 - (b) **Considered** previous entry restrictions, including restricting representation at Nationals to the top two teams from each region in each grade.

Resolution: That team entry at the National Championship in 2018 will be by restricted entry of the two highest ranking teams from each region based on team results in the Regional League, plus invitations to wild card teams as necessary.

10. LOAN OF PORTABLE RINK TO NAPIER SHARKS

- 10.1 The Board considered a request from the Napier Sharks to use the IHNZ portable rink equipment. The Board:
 - (a) **Noted** the benefit of assisting clubs with IHNZ assets where this would be strategic to the development of the sport in that club's region.
 - (b) **Noted** that there would be detail to discuss around transport, costs, term of the loan and maintenance.

Resolution: That IHNZ and the Napier Sharks enter into a written agreement regarding the loan of the portable rink equipment.

(c) Action points:

(i) Pete to liaise with the Napier Sharks.

11. INSURANCE

11.1 The Board reviewed the insurance arrangements for 2018.

Resolution: That the Insurance renewal be finalised as presented.

(a) Action points:

(i) Henry to finalise insurance renewal.

12. Asset Register

12.1 The Board noted the need to review the Association's asset register.

Resolution: That the IHNZ assets stored with the retiring General Manager be relocated to a new storage venue where a stocktake and consolidation can take place.

- (a) Action points:
 - (i) Alison to liaise with the retiring General Manager regarding the relocation of IHNZ assets to a new storage location.

13. OPERATIONS TRANSITION

- 13.1 The Board discussed the progress of handover from the retiring General Manager. The Board noted the need to review its communications channels, including handover of the Association Facebook page.
- 14. FINANCES
- 14.1 The Board noted that there are several outstanding debts owed to the Association that need to be enforced.
 - (a) Action points:
 - (i) Pete/Mark to follow up on debt collection.

15. GENERAL BUSINESS

15.1 **Next meeting**: The next meeting of the Board of IHNZ will be held on 16 December 2017, 10:00am in Auckland. Venue to be determined.

These minutes have been accepted as a true and accurate record by the Board of IHNZ.

Signed:

Date: _____

Chairperson