

## IRISH INDOOR BOWLING ASSOCIATION

The 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the 2017/2018 season will take place in Belfast Indoor Bowls Club on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2018 at 7.30 pm.

### AGENDA

1. Attendance and Apologies
2. Chairman's Business
3. Notice of Any Other Business.\*\*
4. Minutes of the previous meeting
5. Matters arising from the Minutes
6. Competitions Secretary's Reports
  - 6.1 Inter Zone Competitions Update
  - 6.2 National, Ladies & Junior Championships Update
  - 6.3 Junior Inter Zone Competitions Update
  - 6.4 Appeal to Competitions Committee
7. Proposals for guidelines for International Selection Committee
8. BowlsChat
9. Clubs / Leagues for Affiliation
10. Correspondence
11. Any other notified business

\*\* Notice of Any Other Business to be advised preferably in writing/email or by telephone to the Secretary **by Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2018.**

### **Executive Meeting Date for your diary**

8 March 2018 – Dungannon Rugby Club

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The 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the 2017/2018 season was held in Dungannon Rugby Club on Thursday 11th January 2018 at 7.30 pm.

## 1. Attendance

Mrs F McNally	A Rice	Ms C Adair	W Crawford	D Bintley
T Mulholland	Mrs R Rice	T Gribben	T Haire	S Kyne
S Carleton	E Irwin	G O'Hare	Mrs A McKiver	H Nixon

## Apologies

H Massey	W Cassells	T Morrison	Ms H Foley	D Doherty
P Eakin	Mrs J Henderson	Mrs C Cochrane		

## 2. Chairman's Business

In the Chairman's absence, the President chaired the meeting. She congratulated H Nixon on his recent engagement.

## 3. Notice of Any Other Business

- 1) Executive Dates
- 2) Executive Minutes – Proposer and Seconders
- 3) Competition Proposals

## 4. Minutes of the meetings held on 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2017

The minutes of the meetings were approved and signed.

## 5. Matters Arising from the Minutes

- i. Item 5 i The response from the International Selection Committee was issued.
- ii. Item 6.2 Club Championship request for a refund. Any request must be put in writing.

## 6. Competitions Secretary Reports

### 6.1 Junior Inter Zone Competitions Report and Updates

The Junior 2 rink took place on 6 January. There was a disappointing 9 entries from 6 Zones. The Competitions Secretary thanked S Kyne and D McMahon for running the event in her absence. The entry forms are out for the 3 rink competition. There is no entry charge for this event but menu choices and their payment should be attached with the entry form.

### 6.2 Inter Zone Competitions Update

The Competitions Secretary informed the meeting that North Eastern has withdrawn from the Ladies Plate while Mid Tyrone will host Cork on 13 January in the Men's Plate.

**Ladies Interzone Quarter-finals 13 January**

Western v Armagh @ Unionist Hall, Enniskillen  
Mid Down v Monaghan @ Killinchy  
Mid Ulster v North West @ Maghera  
West Down v Donegal @ Dromore Bowling Pavilion

#### **Ladies Plate Quarter-finals 13 January**

Foyle v Cork venue unknown  
East Antrim v Mid Antrim venue unknown  
Lisburn v Northern @ Magheragall Pres  
South Tyrone v Oriel @ Washing Bay Centre

#### **Mens Interzone Quarter-finals 20 January**

Western v Donegal @ Unionist Hall, Enniskillen  
Mid Antrim v Lisburn @ First Ahoghill  
Larne v North West venue unknown  
Oriel v Mid Antrim @ Corduff

#### **Mens Plate Quarter-finals 20 January**

Armagh v Mid Down @ St Matthew's Richhill  
Northern v North Down @ Kilrea Sports Centre  
South Tyrone v Mid Tyrone or Cork @ Washing Bay Centre  
East Antrim v South Down @ Ulster Transport

### **6.3 National, Ladies & Junior Championships Update**

The Competitions Secretary said that she had to chase Conveners regarding entry numbers. There are some queries regarding numbers submitted and she referred to the previous meeting where it was agreed that minimum numbers had to be adhered to. The Competitions Secretary agreed to email Zone Conveners whose competition entries do not meet the minimum number required.

The President had contacted Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon Borough Council regarding a venue for the National finals. Banbridge Leisure Centre was offered and it had tiered seating as well as a restaurant. The hall would cost £480 and it might be possible to obtain funding. It was proposed and seconded to go ahead with this venue.

## **7 Top Team Challenge**

Convenor said that it was a very long journey to Norfolk leaving at 5 a.m. on Friday morning and not getting to the hotel until 9 p.m. West Midlands were the winners of the competition but the weekend was marred by the unsportsmanlike behaviour of the host team. The Hon Secretary in his role as British Isles Secretary had received complaints about the behaviour of West Midlands from both the secretary of Oriel Zone and Pembrokeshire. Both letters have been passed to the ESMBA and they have assured the Hon Secretary that the matter will be dealt with at their next meeting in February.

## **8 World Bowls Update**

A party of 30 will be travelling to Sweden. The party will be flying from Dublin to Oslo on 15 March and returning on 19 March. Players will be taken by coach from Oslo to Stromsted and accommodation has been arranged.

## **9 Tournament Licence Entry Numbers for 2018/19**

The Honorary Secretary indicated that a number of tournaments recently were cancelled because they had not met the minimum number to qualify for the Champion of Champions. In order to help clubs continue to run tournaments the Hon Secretary suggested a reduction of 25% in minimum entry numbers. This would mean that in the 2018/19 season Singles would require 72 entries, Pairs 48 entries, Triples 36 entries and Fours 24 entries. It was proposed and seconded to adopt the revised figures for 2018/19.

## **10 Clubs for affiliation**

None

## **11 Correspondence**

Correspondence received from bowler requesting to change Zones. The bowler provided the necessary documentation confirming that their new residence was in their new Zone. It was agreed that the player is eligible to play for the new Zone.

## **12 Any other notified business**

### **1) Executive Dates**

The Hon Secretary indicated that three of the officers had not been available due to illness.

### **2) Executive Minutes**

It was suggested that Zone Conveners were reluctant to propose and second proposals as their name would appear in the minutes. It was proposed and seconded that no proposers and seconders would appear in the minutes. It was counter proposed and seconded that the present system remained and this was carried 7 - 5.

### **3) Competition Proposals**

Proposer asked that this item to be deferred to a later meeting.

Meeting closed 8:55 p.m.