

Minutes of BSAACT Committee Meeting  
7<sup>th</sup> December 2022

1. **Meeting:** opened at 7.36 pm
2. **Present:** Eneasz Sokolowski, Loraine O'Bryan, Ian Rayson and Leigh Condon  
**Apologies:** Nick Payne, Shreyas Kumar and Rod Saclier
3. **Previous Minutes:** Minutes of 26 October 2022 were moved to be accepted by Leigh Condon, seconded by Loraine O'Bryan – **carried**.
4. **Business Arising:**
  - Grant acquittal completed.
  - The electronic software is still to be investigated especially the competition formats.
  - Bookings have been arranged at the Burns Club for 2023 Committee Meetings.

At this point in the meeting Eneasz Sokolowski acknowledged the contribution made by Leigh Condon and Loraine O'Bryan in organizing the Pizza Night and Presentation Night which was very well received by all attending Members. Leigh Condon acknowledged the work undertaken by Shreyas Kumar in organizing the trophies for the night.

5. **Correspondence:** ACT Sport and Recreation course information to be sent to the President.
6. **Treasurer's Report:** Ian Rayson reported the new Bank accounts with Bendigo Bank were in place. Leigh Condon reported that the Treasurer would need to be a signatory to the St. George accounts to enable the transfer of funds from the St. George Bank accounts to the new Bendigo Bank account. The Secretary advised committee that she needed to be reimbursed \$800 for the Pizza Night and \$150 for annual phone charge and Eneasz \$80 for flowers purchased for Mark O'Neill's funeral. These costs are to be refunded when the Association's Bank account situation is rectified. There needs to be urgent attention given to the payment of the outstanding invoice for the Association's trophies.
7. The Secretary raised the matter of the **Annual Membership Fee** being able to cover the Association's operating costs. After discussion it was decided to retain the current fee of \$120 per annum. The President suggested that a limit of \$2000 be placed on the purchase of trophies for 2023. **This was agreed to by committee.**
8. **Competition Director's Report:** Ian Rayson reported that all competition for the year had been completed.
9. **Competitions for 2023:** There was a lengthy discussion on how and when competitions were to be presented for the benefit of members. Eventually the following formats were agreed to:
  - The Team Competitions were to be in the same format as 2022 with longer duration for the summer and winter competitions. The short Billiards Competition will be assessed when Eneasz Sokolowski reports back to committee after contacting all Billiard Players on their preferences for this competition. The short 6 Red competition is to stay the same.
  - Individual Championships were heavily debated with the final decision being made that the Snooker Championships be held over a longer timeframe in the September to November period, and that the Billiard Championships be held in the first half of the year.
10. The special prize to **celebrate BSAACT's 75 years** was discussed. The suggestion of a Dinner was not agreed to by Committee. Eneasz suggested a keyring be given to each member. Other ideas to be brought to the next meeting for consideration.

11. The **digital Membership Application Form** prepared by Shreyas could not be properly explained as Shreyas was not in attendance.
12. Leigh Condon presented a draft **Calendar of Events for 2023**. While it was agreed in principle the start times for all competitions need to be confirmed. Other activities not currently noted on the draft calendar should be added before the Calendar is placed on the website.
13. The Committee was informed of the **Junior Development Program for 2023** and Committee was asked to assist with promotions. It was suggested the organizers use BSAACT's Facebook page to publicise the Coaching Clinics. Rod Saclier has been asked to re-design a flyer for the Come and Try Day and Registrations for the Junior Development Program.
14. The Committee felt that a **Publicity Officer** for the Association was not necessary at this stage.
15. **Other Business:**
  - The President reported on the last ABSC Meeting. The 2 main items of interest were:
  - the bid to have Snooker and Billiards as a program sport for 2032 Olympic Games to be held in Brisbane
  - the ongoing discussion regarding transgender issues.

The President asked the Committee to seriously consider the issue of transgender and how BSAACT should manage any issues in relation to transgender players and bring their considerations to the next meeting.

- Leigh Condon raised the issue of BSAACT's historical Glass Mirror which needed upgrading. Approval was given in general for the mirror to be upgraded but a quote needed to be obtained. Whether or not the refurbishment of the mirror should take place would be discussed at a future meeting.
  - Leigh Condon and Loraine O'Bryan met with the General Manager of the CSCC in relation to whether the CSCC would support BSAACT to have Snooker and Billiards included as a sport in the forthcoming 2025 Masters Games to be held in Canberra. There is some concern that the existing snooker tables may not be available for the Master's Games but we were assured that the CSCC would provide a venue suitable to organize and run a program for the Masters' Games.
16. The **meeting closed** at 9.13 pm.
  17. **Next meeting:** 1 February – Burns Club commencing at 7.30 pm