

Board Update December 2016

The Board has met twice in the last three months on 14 October and on 26 November. The main focus of the October meeting was to undertake further work on the Strategic Plan.

Strategy

The Board undertook final work on the Strategic Plan, facilitated by Shayne Blake. The finalised document was reviewed in November and will be communicated to the Sport ahead of its inception on 1 April 2017. The process undertaken by the Board was very robust over three meetings, involving both stakeholder and staff participation and engagement.

Finance and Membership

Year to date membership income continues to remain on track with membership numbers up in some membership categories. The Board has been considering recommendations as to how it can move to online registration as a means to ensure that members are registered whilst also passing on the benefits that this provides for clubs and members.

Whilst membership income is where it should be, the budget remains under pressure. This is as a result of Rotorua income being down and commercial opportunities not being realised despite our Rio success. Commercial activities remain a priority with a number of opportunities initiated, staff are still being asked to act prudently with their expenditure. The new Finance Manager, Debrah Breedt, was in attendance at the November meeting for the financial reporting section.

Membership Fees

As a result of membership income tracking in accordance with budget the Board was pleased to agree that the membership fees will remain unchanged for the 2017 year.

IAAF Governance Review

The CE and Chair will attend the Special Congress in Monaco in early December. The Board approved that NZ support the proposed reform changes.

High Performance

The CE updated the Board on the HP presentation for HPSNZ. Linda advised that HPSNZ praised Athletics for the alignment of the High Performance strategy through the business, lead from the Board, Chief Executive and High Performance Director. It was felt that our Strategy presentation was well received and we should receive improved funding.

The World Youth Championships

A number of federations have already indicated their withdrawal from the 2017 World Youth Championships in Nairobi. The HP team will provide a recommendation to the January Board meeting regarding the participation of a New Zealand team at these Championships. The recommendation would be based on whether the Championship would be considered safe for participants, support staff, friends and family.

Governance

The Board has undertaken to achieve the Governance Qualmark for the Sport and Recreation Sector. Graham Nahkies and Steve McDowell from BoardWorks International joined the October meeting to provide feedback on Athletics NZ results from their initial framework review. Overall they noted that Athletics NZ had a good governance framework and with some areas of adjustment could achieve the Qualmark.

Records noted by the Board

NZ Records approved since the last meeting

Name	Achievement	Event	Measure	Venue	Date of Performance
Tomas Walsh	Men National	Shot Put	22.00m	Paris, France	27-Aug-16
Tomas Walsh	Men National	Shot Put	22.20m	Zurich, Switzerland	1-Sep-16
Tomas Walsh	Men National	Shot Put	22.21m	Zagreb, Croatia	5-Sep-16
Laura Langley	Women U19	10km Walk (Road)	50:26	Masterton, NZ	3-Sep-16
Olivia McTaggart	Women U17	Pole Vault	4.22m	Mt Smart Stadium, Auckland	5-Nov-16

Para-athletes

Name	Event	Result	Venue	Date of Performance
Anna Grimaldi	100 - T46/47	13.13 (0.5)	Gold Coast, Australia	21-Aug-16
Anna Grimaldi	Long Jump-T46/47	5.62m (0.6)	Rio De Janeiro, Brazil	8-Sep-16
Liam Malone	100 - T43	10.90 (0.1)	Rio De Janeiro, Brazil	9-Sep-16
Jacob Phillips	200 -T35	28.78 (0.9)	Rio De Janeiro, Brazil	11-Sep-16
Liam Malone	200 -T43	21.33 (0.0)	Rio De Janeiro, Brazil	11-Sep-16
Anna Grimaldi	100 - T46/47	12.88 (0.7)	Rio De Janeiro, Brazil	11-Sep-16
William Stedman	Long Jump - T36	5.35m (-0.5)	Rio De Janeiro, Brazil	12-Sep-16
Holly Robinson	Javelin Throw - F46	41.22m	Rio De Janeiro, Brazil	13-Sep-16
Liam Malone	400 -T43	46.20	Rio De Janeiro, Brazil	15-Sep-16
William Stedman	400 - T36	55.69	Rio De Janeiro, Brazil	16-Sep-16
William Stedman	800 - T36	2:11.98	Rio De Janeiro, Brazil	17-Sep-16

Regards
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Board Chair