



## **Board Update February 2016**

The Board met on Friday 5 February 2016 in Auckland.

### **Health and Safety**

An update on the Health and Safety Development and Implementation Project was provided. We are awaiting an update on the Sport NZ online tool kit and Athletics NZ role in the pilot planned for February.

An update on this will be provided to members during the road shows.

### **Finance and Membership**

The financial statements were reviewed and the forecast is still a considerable deficit.

The CE continues to review all opportunity regarding reducing expenses. These are limited though due to the closeness of year end.

Discussion took place on the optimal financial year end date. The Board wishes to determine what would be required to change to a date that will allow us to better understand our financial position earlier in the financial year. This is related to the fact that under the revised levy collection model, the large portion of membership fees will be paid during November to February. As this is towards our financial year end it gives little opportunity for the administration to change the financial forecast should there be a problem.

#### The 2016/17 draft budget

The draft budget had been set with the minimum of operational expenditure and conservative but realistic revenue from partnerships. A large portion of programme work is reliant on funding being approved and the activities did not occur without the funding being approved by the various gaming and charitable trusts. The Board agreed it is not their position to set a deficit budget or to have a budget that does not have a buffer, particularly in light of the current deficit forecast.

It was agreed that management needed to have the ability to put in place programmes that increase our value proposition to the sport, and the budget needed further revision to reflect this.

#### Membership Levy

Feedback was provided to the Board from the first road show in Canterbury.

There was an in-depth discussion on the increase of the membership levy with the Board asking the CE to put together appropriate options for them to discuss and approve at the March meeting. By this meeting there would have been two further road shows and the Board acknowledged the need to set the fees for the 1 April 2016 winter season.

A paper was presented on Mandatory Online Registration and it was felt that at this time the sport was not ready for this move. Having the new membership coordinator position will allow a proactive approach to educate and assist clubs and hopefully result in more clubs taking up online registration. This staff position is being funded for one year by NZCT.

### **Strategic Matters**

#### Run Jump Throw Business Case

Amie O'Brien, Community Manager, made a presentation in support of the redevelopment of Run, Jump, Throw. The business case outlined the cost of redevelopment along with the significant benefit to the wider athletics community and potential to attract new younger members. The Board supported the business case subject to funding for year-one being secured first.

### Operational Plan review – Commercial

Paul Scoringe, Commercial and Marketing Manager made a presentation on operational activities related to the Commercial Department. The presentation included an overview of the Club Value Proposition and Member Benefits Programme along with work in progress related to securing partnerships for our products and services.

### Event Strategy Feasibility

The second phase report had been received and discussed with the internal working group. The project is on track for their recommendations to be tabled for the March Board meeting.

### Regulations Project

The Regulations are coming together with Maria Clarke having provided a number of components to form the entire project. The Membership and Data Regulation is being drafted now and will be referred to the Rules Committee for their continued oversight.

### **Records Noted by the Board**

Men National U20: Hammer - 71.11m - Matthew Bloxham – 21 November 2015, Hamilton  
Men National U20: Hammer - 71.61m - Matthew Bloxham – 29 November 2015, Hamilton  
Women Resident: Hammer - 67.19m - Julia Ratcliffe – 29 November 2015, Hamilton  
National Women: 20km Race Walk – 1:32:50 - Alana Barber – 13 December 2015, Melbourne  
Men National U20: Hammer - 73.41m - Matthew Bloxham – 8 December 2015, Dunedin  
Women U20: 5000m - 15:52.10 - Rosa Flanagan – 15 December 2015, Auckland  
Women Resident: Pole Vault - 4.64m - Eliza McCartney – 19 December 2015, Auckland  
Women National U20: Pole Vault - 4.64m - Eliza McCartney – 19 December 2015, Auckland  
Women National: Pole Vault - 4.64m - Eliza McCartney – 19 December 2015, Auckland  
Women Allcomers: Pole Vault - 4.64m - Eliza McCartney – 19 December 2015, Auckland

Regards

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