

**Minutes of the Board meeting of Auckland Bridge Club Inc
held on 17th March 2020 at 6.15pm in the club rooms at 273 Remuera Road**

Present: Anthony Hopkins, Mark Robertson, Anne Barrowclough, Wayne Gyde, Sylvester Riddell

Anthony Hopkins welcomed all to the meeting and accepted the apologies of Terry Melhuish and Peter Hoskin:

The meeting was called at very short notice- due to urgency of the situation

After email correspondence between the committee members as a consequence of information coming out about Covid -19, and government directives around management of its spread.

COVID 19 coronavirus pandemic

- New Zealand Bridge has recommended that clubs close for one month
- The Club is now closed for all activities until at least 28th April 2020
- The decision will be reviewed regularly, and any changes advised on www.akbc.co.nz
- The decision focused on protecting as best we can the well-being of our staff, members and visiting players
- The Board also agreed make best efforts to retain and support its staff during the temporary closure
- Measures to keep members in contact with the Club during the temporary closure will be discussed in due course
- Upcoming Easter Congress and ANZAC Day tournaments are cancelled
- President to update club website, send email to 1000 person email list, inform ANRC and NZB Tournament Secretary with the information (done 17 Mar)
- The Board regrets the decision to close but notes that the vast majority of members are in higher risk categories, even if community infections may not yet be present in NZ. At a higher level, the Board also believes it is a national priority to minimise close social distance activities for the greater good of the wider community

Proposed All present

Seconded All present

Signed

Board member

