

Scottish Water Polo Committee Meeting 2nd March 2017

Conference Call, 18:00 – 19:00

Minutes (version 0_2 – issued)

MINUTES from meeting on 2nd March 2017

Attendees

- Alan Anderson (AA) – Chair & Secretary
- Neal Rayner (NR)
- Paul Metcalfe (PM)
- Ross Elder (RE)
- Gael Drummond (GD)

Apologies

- Ian MacCallum (IM)
- Jen Hardy (JH)

Other Abbreviations Used

- Scottish Swimming (SS)
- North Sea Cup (NSC)

Notes & Actions

1. Welcome, Apologies and Update & Actions from previous minutes - AA
 - a. Apologies received from JH & IM.
 - b. AA provided an update on actions outstanding from February meeting noted below.
2. Domestic Competition - PM
 - a. SNL 2016
There is still one match outstanding to decide the Men's league between Dunfermline and Portobello; PM \ AA agreed the availability of suitable: pools, referees and the teams other commitments were proving a challenge.
As the 2017 event will not be held until H2 2017, it was agreed to look at dates in May / June.
 - b. SNL 2017
 - Update
 - o U16 – this started weekend 25-26 February. However, there were a lack of referees for the Sunday session.
 - o U21 – due to start this weekend 4-5 March

The meeting noted the decision of previous meetings for the Men & Women event not to start until H2 \ September 2017. NR advised some clubs were unclear about this arrangement.
Action - PM will contact league co-ordinators: Women – Vicki Witko; Men – Reuben Bowman and ask them to discuss with the clubs.
 - c. Scottish Cup 2017
 - PM has written to clubs and arrangements are being made for semi-finals to be played by 15th April.
3. Development - NR
 - a. Request for Tutors for UKCC L1, a few candidates have come forward. NR will progress. NR to complete activities to allow one new tutor to complete during April this year.
 - b. Club Level Table Officials Course
NR has provided information and RE has reviewed and approved. Presentation and crib sheet for Tutors to use has been developed. RE to provide a list of candidate Tutors, and for rollout to begin with immediate opportunities.
 - c. Senior Coaches Day
 - NR is preparing a brief for this day and a date, likely to be June.

- d. West Academy – clubs are working together but are still looking for a suitable pool to host
 - e. Girls League – the view from athletes and coaches is more in favour of combined \ regional teams rather than just teams selected on the day of the event.
 - f. PVG and CPO
 - SS are giving this more focus, need to be PVG through SS, all clubs need CPO in the club. NR is progressing as part of his Development role. There are potentially two clubs who require work to fully comply.
 - This is also required for the Academy in Edinburgh and Glasgow
 - AA will ask JH to confirm the situation for all National Squads
4. Finance update - AA
- a. There are actions outstanding from last meeting.
 - b. All invoices for pool hire to end January have been processed. No abnormal expenditure.
5. Technical Officials Discussion - RE
- Delegate Training
- RE advised a SWP Delegate training session had been held on 4th February, with 5 candidates meeting successfully completing – RE to send letters confirming this.
 - Murray MacLeod was to produce updated reference material following the session – RE to chase
 - RE requested a list of games to encourage Delegates to attend and support the referees.
 - List of referees has been circulated - NR & RE to progress
 - would assist the situation
 - Getting the list of dates from U16 particularly for the 3 game sessions on Sunday – PM to email Lesley Luke, RE will assign delegates
- Referees Meeting
- NR & RE to agree date will all referees to get them together.
- Appointments, PM advised
- GBR Len Qualification event Manchester May 11-14 – both Paul & Kirsty had been invited to the Table.
 - British Championships - Jules MacKay is on list for referees
6. National Teams
- a. Reports
No Report submitted.

NR advised National team requests for NSA pool time were urgently required
 - b. Nationality considerations
AA advised the SS AGM at weekend a rule change had made the condition 12 months' residency rather than 6 months in previous 12. AA will circulate the AGM notes.
7. GBR Update – AA
- a. World Student Games
Coaches & Management have been appointed, unaware of any sessions being held since initial ones.
 - b. GBR Boys '00, LEN Qualification Event, Manchester, May 11-14
 - c. British Championships
AA advised all 3 Scottish Team had entered the event. Event planning was going to schedule.

8. AOB

a. SS AGM

Meeting was held 25th February, AA had been unable to attend. IM attended and represented Water Polo.

AA advised IM had been awarded Life Membership in recognition of his contribution as a Scottish Swimming Board member for 12 years, which came to an end in November 2017. AA offered his congratulations and noted the support IM has given Water Polo during his time on the SS Board, and continues to give as a member of the SWPC.

It was noted at the meeting the passing of ex-Scottish Water Polo internationalist David Grieve snr

AA noted previously advised rule changes to Sporting Nationality rules; and changes to the Complaints procedure. The meeting notes will be circulated, and are available on SS website.

b. RE - LEN Referees – expressed his disappointment at the lack of any candidates who wished to take up this opportunity.

c. NR - Girls league \ tournament

NR advised 14 girls identified to date, to look for more in order to create composite teams potentially based on regions

d. GD - Scottish Cup finals arrangements – plans are progressing

RE advised he would appoint Neutral referees & other referee appointments.

e. GD – advised SS Commentators \ Announcers training had been attended by Paul and Jamie.

f. NR - Scottish Schools tournament

Planning underway - dates to be announced soon, June

g. AA - RCP Pool Hire

AA advised Edinburgh Leisure were causing issue with Warrender club time. AA & NR are working with Warrender and SS to understand and resolve the situation.

NEXT MEETING

1. Thursday 6th April 2017, Conference Call

Summary of Open Actions

#	Action	Owner	Due	Update
AGM1	The Development Plan will be circulated to all clubs	AA	End 2016	
AGM2	The Girls Team Manager role will be advertised	JH	Jan '17	Mar '17 - Applications have been received and are being considered.
AGM3	NSC - Chair to contact other home nations regarding Scotland hosting junior North Sea Cup in 2017 and to enquire who is hosting the senior competition	AA	Jan '17	Feb '17 – contact has been made with Ireland, Wales & Denmark although no decisive responses. Wales have suggested to hold the Senior Event. Mar '17 - Regarding date 21-22 October. Our teams have advised:

				Girls potential clash with GBR '00 weekend. Boys have competition following weekend in Lithuania, and concern regarding BWPL dates.
AGM4	Technical Officials - Prepare a role description for the "Technical officials co-ordinator"	AA	Jan '17	Mar '17 - Outstanding
1701/01	Finance - YE 2015-16 had been successfully closed off. While overall the WP finances balanced, there was still some offsetting between the 4 National teams. AA will advise on actions to be taken.	AA	Mar '17	Mar '17 - Outstanding
1701/02	AA suggested SWP support those athletes who are challenging for GBR representation. JH to collate the list of athletes and suggest a funding model.	JH	Mar '17	Mar '17 - Outstanding
	New Actions			
1703/01	SNL 2017 Senior - The meeting noted the decision of previous meetings for the Men & Women event not to start until H2 \ September 2017. NR advised some clubs were unclear about this arrangement	PM	Next Meeting 6/4/17	Mar '17 – PM will contact league co-ordinators: Women – Vicki Witko; Men – Reuben Bowman and ask them to discuss with the clubs
1703/02	Club Level Table Officials Course - NR has provided information and RE has reviewed and approved. Presentation and crib sheet for Tutors to use has been developed	NR \ RE	Action immediately – update next meeting	Mar '17 – RE to provide a list of candidate Tutors, and for rollout to begin with immediate opportunities.
1703/03	PVG & CPO Check all officials for all National Team squads have (correct) PVG	JH	Next Meeting 6/4/17	Mar '17 – AA to discuss with JH
	Actions Closed at meeting			

Summary of Decisions

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AGM1	Clubs are requested to identify an individual who will lead on technical officials. This will include the recruitment, training and support of table officials.	Clubs to Action.

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