



Minutes of meeting held on 26.02.13

Present: Malcolm Fraser, Ash Kejriwal, Kevin Maughan, Ken Winchester, Mike Newlove, Barbara Lewczynska, Zoe Weaver (U17) , Simon English (part time)

		Action	Due By
1.	<p>Apologies for Absence</p> <p>Sangeeta Dhall, Hitesh Shah, David Brown, Alison Searle (U11), Sue Meehan (U13), Sue Clarke (U15), Andy Gall, Tracey Shirvell</p>		
2	<p>Minutes of Committee Meeting on 08.01.13</p> <p>Accepted</p>		
3	<p>Matters Arising not covered by an Agenda Item</p> <p>Contact all schools, particularly those that entered the Primary schools tournament. School details to be sent to MF.</p>	BL	
4	<p>Strategy for Promoting Badminton in Primary Schools</p> <p>Target age year 3 – age 7</p> <p>Primary Schools tournament – this weekend - some new schools have entered. Ideally should have a flyer to be handed out to parents with county squad details. If SD not available, get player contact details.</p> <p>Email to all school to determine interest in development – could offer taster sessions</p> <p>Flyer to be sent to all clubs about the schools tournament & trials</p> <p>Herts Youth Games – problem with funding training. Uncertain how it is going to be managed.</p>	BL MF BL	



<p>5</p>	<p>Committee Vacancies / Covering the Roles / Sport Makers</p> <p>Vice Chairman Needed to help with clubmark etc</p> <p>Fixtures Secretary Still vacant – work currently being handled by individual managers</p> <p>Schools/Clubs League Organiser MF trying to organise a tournament at a school hall – little response</p> <p>Fund Raiser Still vacant</p> <p>Website Manager Replacement for KM still required.</p> <p>Tournament Helpers Generally successful in asking parents of Herts players participating in the tournament</p> <p>MF has affiliated HSBA, but there is a list of players that have been affiliated not on the squad lists which has been circulated to squad managers. Only DB & MN have replied. SD/HS to be chased.</p>	<p>KM</p>	
<p>6</p>	<p>Review of Child Protection Policy</p> <p>BE changing their child protection policy – we will align with that.</p> <p>Link to BE child protection policy on the web site to be investigated</p>	<p>BL</p> <p>KM</p>	
<p>7</p>	<p>Review of Working Party Report</p> <p>Numbers of Performance Centre players & how many gold/silver/bronze players have yet to be sent to AK. Email to be sent to the squad managers.</p> <p>The option of recognising achievement to be investigated. Option of reimbursing based on end of season gradings to be costed. Only U13s received by AK so far.</p> <p>MF has met with Nick Brooking over whole hall booking. Rapidly approaching date that Birchwood needs to be booked; NB to be chased.</p> <p>Clive Palmer (U11 Nat coach) to meet with squad manager. MF has left a message for him. Convenient date yet to be organised.</p> <p>Working Party review to be taken forward to next meeting</p>	<p>KM</p> <p>AK</p> <p>MF</p> <p>MF</p> <p>KM</p>	
<p>8</p>	<p>Constitution Update</p> <p>To be considered in parallel to the review of the HBA constitution. Sub-committee to be set up including Gill Bartlett – meeting to be organised. Objective to present new constitution at next AGM.</p> <p>Constitution Update review to be taken forward to next meeting</p>	<p>MF</p> <p>KM</p>	



<p>9</p>	<p>Finance</p> <p>Finances looking positive.</p> <p>Agreed that for the U15 Shires League playoffs in Derby there should be no match fees collected and that up to £150 would be offered for a meal on the journey home. JS/HS to be informed.</p> <p>Online account now set up – in future we will be insisting on it being used for paying squad and tournament entry fees – no cheques, unless exceptional circumstances.</p> <p>Newsletter emailed to all squad members – 100 still sent by post, but significant reduction in postage costs.</p>	<p>KM</p>	
<p>10</p>	<p>Welfare Officer</p> <p>ICT – email DB to check who is going as management & make sure all CRB checks are up to date.</p>	<p>BL</p>	
<p>11</p>	<p>Schools/clubs league</p> <p>Schools/clubs league review to be taken forward to next meeting</p>		
<p>12</p>	<p>Tournaments</p> <p>a) Closed</p> <p>U13 – U18 handicapped mixed tournament has been run – everyone enjoyed it & considered a success – to be repeated next season.</p> <p>Tournaments have run very well this year. Court space usage has been more effective, & probably made slightly more money.</p> <p>Proposal to change the eligibility rules to include players that do not live within the county boundaries but play at a club affiliated to HBA. Agreed unanimously.</p> <p>b) Open</p> <p>3 open tournaments - £2k profit</p> <p>The open tournaments were discussed and changes for next season agreed. We will aim for U13 Bronze, U17 Bronze & either U17 Silver or U15 Bronze – go for separate dates - BL/MN/SE to meet to agree preferred dates & then check with Stevenage LC for availability (or possibly Habs Boys School). 4th & 5th December already booked at Stevenage LC.</p>	<p>BL/MN /SE</p>	
<p>13</p>	<p>Website</p> <p>New Web site manager still needed. Option to use offshore website developer at a very reasonable rate to be considered.</p> <p>Publishing minutes of the committee meetings the website has yet to be implemented.</p>	<p>KM</p> <p>KM</p>	



<p>14</p>	<p>Squad managers' reports</p> <p>a) U11 See report.</p> <p>Match costs against Sussex – normal practice is to not share costs, but to alternate home & away for alternate seasons. This to be suggested to their manager.</p> <p>b) U13 See report.</p> <p>Positive campaign required to nurture girls for the U13 squad</p> <p>c) U15 See report.</p> <p>d) U17 See report</p> <p>e) Squad Trials Look at HSV availability for 23rd June.</p> <p>Discussion with JS/HS/SD/DB re number of courts and convenient dates required.</p> <p>Downloadable form to be available on the web site.</p>	<p>SD</p> <p>MN</p> <p>MF</p> <p>MN</p> <p>KM</p>	
<p>15</p>	<p>HBA Rep</p> <p>BE have started an initiative for after school badminton for 13-16 year olds.</p> <p>New fee structure published. £3/Junior (will have an impact on finances as HSBA will need to pay for any junior that has not affiliated through another club)</p> <p>BE Eastern Region & London region have been combined. Staff have been cut significantly to match budget. Government has set participation target for 14+ –failure to meet this target in year 1 will result in funding being cut.</p>		
<p>16</p>	<p>AOB</p> <p>Newsletter – thanks to John Stobo. Deadline for next edition 29/03/2013</p> <p>AGM – provisional date June 19th. Availability of Birchwood to be checked.</p>	<p>MN</p>	
<p>17</p>	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>Next meeting is 16th April 2013 at The Barberry, Bracken Lane, Welwyn AL6 0RB.</p>	<p>KM</p>	