

## Minutes of the Committee Meeting 25<sup>th</sup> September 2014

Present: Gav Robbins, Rob King, James Hardy, Helen Johnson, Michelle Spillar, Ian Boutle, Alex Rose

Apologies: Stephen Pring, Matt Milum

### 1. Actions from Previous Meeting

- 1.01 MS to pass the e-mail about business cards to AR – COMPLETE
- 1.02 SP to add to the newsletter about video cameras – COMPLETE
- 1.03 MS to speak to Clifton Hill about the trolley – OUTSTANDING
- 1.04 SP to get a quote for the posts – COMPLETE
- 1.05 JH to remind people about payment for August – COMPLETE
- 1.06 MS to mention pay as you play fees for matches in beginners e-mails - COMPLETE
- 1.07 SP to put out in the e-mail about poster locations – COMPLETE
- 1.08 JH to chase the SWKA league fixtures – COMPLETE
- 1.09 GR to contact uni's about mini tournament – SUPERSEDED BY FRIENDLY
- 1.10 SP/JH to send across the constitution to SWKA – OUTSTANDING
- 1.11 AR to gain access to the club website for updates – OUTSTANDING

### 2 Under 18's Policy

Discussion was held about the next steps towards deciding whether the club should extend itself to cater for 16/17year olds. RK has been sent the EKA child protection policy. There are several things the club would require for 16/17year olds to be able to play. These are:

- A child protection officer
- CRB checks for all the coaches (with a CRB checked attendee at every session). The EKA may cover the fee for this.
- A child protection policy
- Parental consent for 16/17year olds to travel in cars with drivers and proof of appropriate vehicle cover.
- 16/17year olds must always travel with more than one adult (must not be alone in a car with one adult, even for pick up/drop off).
- Agreement from SWKA that the Senior league is extended to 16/17 year olds.

It was agreed that the committee are in favour in principle of extending to 16/17year olds, however approval of the SWKA league and the coaches is necessary before a final decision can be made.

**ACTION – 2.01** RK to speak with SWKA about extension of the league to 16/17year olds.

**ACTION – 2.02** RK to check at the coaches meeting whether all coaches are happy to undergo CRB checks.

### 3 Members

There was a discussion about who can play for the club and whether they need to pay direct-debit to be an insured member and allowed to play. It was agreed that anyone either attending training or registered through fixtures live for games is insured and allowed to play in games. Normal selection criteria apply to all. No actions.

#### **4 Thunder Match**

It has been raised that the 4<sup>th</sup> January may not be a good time for the Thunder Match as many people may not have returned from Christmas holidays. It was agreed that it may be a good idea to move the match.

**ACTION- 2.03** SP/JH to ask Bristol Thunder if they are able to move the match to the dates of either the 29<sup>th</sup> November or the 6<sup>th</sup> December instead.

#### **5 3<sup>rd</sup> Team**

GR mentioned that it has been hard to find a weekend for a 3<sup>rd</sup> team game due to the league structure this season. The Uni have suggested the 9<sup>th</sup> October, however the committee agreed that this is not a favourable date due to being the final training session prior to our first game and we should decline this.

**ACTION 2.04** All to review calendar and suggest potential options for 3<sup>rd</sup> team match.

#### **6 Beginners**

Nineteen beginners have attended with a few staying and a few not returning. In general it was felt that the activity with the beginners was going well. It was also agreed that the poster social worked well and should be repeated.

**ACTION - 2.05** AR to repeat the postering session/social in January.

**ACTION – 2.06** RK to mention at the coaches meeting for coaches to formally mention in their training spiel that people should approach them if they would like any help.

**ACTION – 2.07** RK to remind people that the next coaches meeting is 28<sup>th</sup> Oct.

#### **7 Selection Committee**

The selection committee for this year was discussed. RK said that it would comprise himself and SP as per last year, however a 3<sup>rd</sup> member was required.

Deadlines for availability were also discussed. It was agreed that this would be broadly as per last year, with selection closing 10 days before a game and sent out to the club on the Monday, so everyone has plenty of notice. The selection criteria will be the same as in 2013.

**ACTION – 2.08** HJ to send out an e-mail requesting a new member of the selection committee.

**ACTION – 2.09** HJ to send out an e-mail to the club to re-affirm the selection policy.

#### **8 AOB**

- **Referees** – Were discussed. SWKA will still be asking for the referee bond of £75 this year. As it stands the club may not get this re-funded because Rob O'Brien and Tony are withdrawing from refereeing this year.

**ACTION – 2.10** RK to speak to the referees to establish the final position for 2014/15.

- **Development** – AR mentioned that business cards were now available, despite not arriving quite in time for the poster social.

**ACTION – 2.11** AR to bring business cards to training so that people can stash a few in their wallet to scatter wherever they may go.

- **Fixtures Live** – HJ mentioned that this needs more editors from the committee.

**ACTION – 2.12** HJ to become an admin on fixtures live and then make others on the committee admins too.

- **Logo** – MS asked when this would be sorted. JH said this would be complete by 2015.

**ACTION – 2.13** JH to finalise for 2015 start.

- **Thunder Tournament** – Due to late drop outs we now do not have enough players despite paying for this tournament already. Hopefully this is a one off, however the committee will have to keep an eye on this as it is costly for the club.

**ACTION – 2.14** HJ to withdraw from Thunder tournament if enough people are not found by 19:00 Friday.

- **Christmas Social** – IB mentioned that this is all booked for the 13<sup>th</sup> December at the City Gate. There is also a pub quiz for the 25<sup>th</sup> October after one of our games.

The date for the next committee meeting was set for 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2013.