

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE SHORT MAT BOWLS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES of a General Management Committee Meeting held at Caroline Chisholm School on Monday 29th March 2010.

PRESENT: Mr Alan Leslie (Vice-Chairman) Mrs Eleanor Winters (General Secretary) Mr Clive Younger (Treasurer) Mr Chris Weston, Mrs Irene Simpson, Mr Tom Bates, Mr Ken Harber, Mr Alan Goodenough and Ms Rachel Pedley.

APOLOGIES: Mr Chris Hopkins

MINUTES of the last committee meeting were accepted as a true record, proposed by Alan Goodenough and seconded by Rachel Pedley.

MATTERS ARISING: None

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Letter received re Child Protection Officer.
2. Letter received from Mr Basil Richards (who is taking over the running of the Earl Spencer Memorial Trophy Competition) requesting the County to help fund this competition. It was agreed that we would.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Clive Younger submitted the following report:

TREASURER'S REPORT

2009/10 Income and Expenditure Year to 29 March 2010

| | INCOME | EXPEND | NET |
|-------------------------------|---------|----------|---------|
| Bank interest | £2 | | £2 |
| ESMBA | | -£2,080 | -£2,080 |
| Match fees (NSMBA & County) | £3,929 | -£147 | £3,782 |
| Membership/Affiliation fees | £4,069 | | £4,069 |
| Committee Travel & Expenses | | -£931 | -£931 |
| Committee Postage & Telephone | | -£362 | -£362 |
| Hall hire | | -£2,826 | -£2,826 |
| Presentation Night | £1,545 | -£1,800 | -£255 |
| Raffles and Teas | £483 | -£272 | £211 |
| Equipment | £800 | -£2,133 | -£1,333 |
| Audit fee | | -£29 | -£29 |
| Hire of mats | | -£60 | -£60 |
| Trophies | £157 | -£1,292 | -£1,135 |
| Umpire expenses | | -£60 | -£60 |
| Grants | | -£100 | -£100 |
| Regalia | £55 | | £55 |
| Data Protection Renewal | | -£35 | -£35 |
| Total | £11,040 | -£12,127 | -£1,087 |

Balance

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| Opening balance brought forward | £9,666 |
| Net income/expenditure to date | -£1,087 |
| Balance | £8,579 |

Represented by:

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| Bank account @ 26 February 2010 | £8,696 |
| Plus banking | £215 |
| Less outstanding cheques | -£432 |
| Cash float (Secretary) | £100 |
| Cash in hand | £0 |
| | £8,579 |

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT: Alan Goodenough said we had 2 new affiliated clubs, Bozeat and Wootton, but for insurance purposes only.

LEAGUE REPORT: Tom said that everything had run smoothly and that the leagues were just about finished.

COMPETITIONS REPORT: Chris Weston said all the competitions were complete and that finals day would be on 18th April at Caroline Chisholm.

COUNTY REPORT: Premier team lost to Hampshire and the 'A' team lost to Essex. This was a disappointing result.

SUMMER LEAGUE: Clive said he had one extra entry. Teams are from Paulerspury, Great Houghton, Deanshanger, Pytchley, Welton, Yardley Golbion, Old Stratford and Rascals. This will start mid April and finish by end August.

CRITERIA FOR COUNTY QUALIFIERS: The minutes of August 2001 stated the following, which is still in existence today.

PROPOSALS

1. *Mr David Goldsmith proposed that we use the first twenty county point's qualifiers only, plus any county champions from qualifying disciplines (excluding mixed fours), outside the first twenty, to be automatically included in the County Squad. This would give the Manager and Captains more flexibility to judge the ability of players not reaching the first twenty, to be included in the squad. Mr Tom Bates seconded the proposal and this was carried unanimously.*

2. *Mr David Goldsmith proposed that we only use the four disciplines of Singles, Pairs, Triples and Fours – excluding the mixed fours – to accumulate points. The points would be as follows:*

2 points for participating

1 point for each game won with a maximum of 3 in the round robin stage

½ point for a draw

3 points for qualifying to knockout stage (last 16)

+ 1 point to last eight

+ 1 point to last four

+ 1 point to last two

Mr Tom Bates seconded the proposal and this was carried unanimously.

3. *Mr David Ekins proposed we use a weighting system, i.e.*

Fours points x 1

Triples points x 1.5

Pairs points x 2

Singles points x 2.5

After initial 2 points for participating has been deducted.

Mr Laurie Lawrence seconded the proposal and this was carried unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. All minutes will be published on the NSMBA web site as soon as they have been ratified and sent to Club Secretaries.
2. County Flags have been found at Caroline Chisholm School.
3. Eleanor requested help with the cost of the Over 60's coach to Norfolk. Alan Leslie proposed £150 seconded by Chris Weston and carried unanimously. Eleanor thanked them for this.
4. ESMBA Special meeting was attended by Alan Leslie and Alan Goodenough. The bottom line was that the proposal of no confidence in the ESMBA Committee was defeated 50 – 10 with 1 abstention.

MEETING closed at 9.20 pm, next meeting 27th April 2010 at Caroline Chisholm.