

# **WBU Management Committee**

## **Minutes of Meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> December 2012**

Skype/Telephone Meeting, 2pm to 3.30pm

### **1. Present**

PM: Paddy Murphy (President), Chairman  
NR: Neville Richards (Chief Executive)  
JH: Jean Hand (National Tournament Organiser)  
MT: Mike Tedd (Mid Wales nominee),  
BA: Bob Alderdice (West Wales nominee)  
JK: Jill Knight (North Wales nominee)  
PB: Phil Bowers (East Wales representative)

### **Apologies**

FN: Fiona Noice (Treasurer)

### **2 Review of Actions from Previous Meetings**

April 7      Behaviour Paper. An edited version should be complete for review by MC next month. After discussions with major contributors we should decide how it should be implemented or rolled out

***Action: MT***

May 8      No response from Admiral or Principality. Tata. Declined in the current financial climate and will review next year. Anyone with personal contacts in potential sponsors contact BA

***Action BA***

24<sup>th</sup> July:      Future Team sponsorship will be reviewed after our detailed financial review in Jan/Feb 2013.

### **3 Chief Executive's Report**

*3.1 Llangollen Congress.* Another successful congress. The venue has been booked for the event next year for weekend of 30<sup>th</sup> Nov/1<sup>st</sup> Dec 2013.

A disappointment was that the majority of teams were from England with only 6 Welsh Teams participating. The Welsh Areas require advertising and encouraging more entrants to the vent.

*3.2 EBU.* The EBU are still reluctant to meet the SBU and WBU regarding reciprocity of MP gained in the Celtic Sims by EBU participating clubs. The SBU are leading in trying to obtain such a meeting. It appears that at present the EBU will only recognise MPs gained in simultaneous pairs events that they have licensed.

In the meantime the Celtic Sims will issue prizes as well as MPs with the aim of encouraging participation while we aim to resolve differences in an amicable manner.

***Action: NR***

*3.3 EWBA.* There is still concern that the EWBA have not filled some of their major office positions.

***Action. EWBA***

The WBU is awaiting a copy of the EWBA proposals for TD fees for >27 board competitions as we wish to adopt the same policy across the WBU

***Action: EWBA***

### **4 Treasurer's Report**

We need to understand the position with regard to corporation tax. Neville will talk to Linda to clarify what has happened about this in the past.

***Action: NR***

It was agreed that discussion will take place with the newly appointed auditor with a view to perhaps asking an alternative auditor from 2013/14 who would be more conveniently located for the Treasurer ***Action: NR***

## **5. NTO Report**

*5.1 National Mixed Pairs Qualifier.* There have been difficulties combining the scores from different areas due to formatting differences and failure of all areas to use “Jeff Smith’s programme” rather than Scorebridge. These have now been resolved and the results have been completed and will be published on the web-site within 24hrs.

Mike Amos is preparing a simple guide for scoring ahead of the National Open Pairs Qualifier with the aim of overcoming all such difficulties.

*5.2 Graded Masters.* The MC decided that there will not be any interim Graded Masters in spring 2013 and that a well organised event will be prepared for 2013/14

The President will come forward with a proposal for this competition probably mirrored on the EBU with a central event for the Higher Graded players and a Simultaneous Pairs for others at a limited number of Area venues with stratified winners dependant on their MP grades

***Action: PM***

*5.3 2013/14 Fixture List.* A Final Draft Calendar has been prepared.

## **6 Internationals**

Senior Camrose. The MC on behalf of the WBU have appointed Patrick Jourdain as Match Manager for the 2013 event

The WBU will pursue discussions with the other Home Unions about naming the Seniors Trophy as the Teltscher Trophy in recognition of the sponsorship that has cemented the continuance of this event

## **7. Selectors Report**

There was no report.

## **8 MP Secretary's Report**

*New Master Point Book.* A new EBU Master Point Handbook has been produced. It was agreed that we should amend the WBU book in line and consistent with the EBU. When published we should initiate discussions with the EBU showing such consistency with the aim of encouraging full reciprocity for all events

***Action:* PB/MT**

## **9 Newsletter and Journal**

*9.1. Newsletter.* Jill Knight has intimated that she will not be able to continue as editor beyond April 2013 and a nominee is required.

The President will discuss the matter with a potential editor ahead of our next meeting

***Action:* PM**

*9.2 Journal.* The President will look at the Journal and the issues many people have raised with the aim of proposing amendments and timescales for areas, clubs etc. to provide accurate updated information on office-bearers etc. such that it will be published in a timely manner next year.

***Action:* PM**

## **10 Next Meeting**

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2013 Skype Meeting

BA 04/12/12

**Other Actions to be reviewed at later date**

Logged	Action	Review
Mar.'12	University Contacts: Some made review again	Jan
Sept'12	Review New Master Book with PB	Jan/Feb
Sept12	On-line MP registration. Scope Software developments PB	
Sept'12	Club Computer Capability. Audit and report PB	
Nov'12	Financial Reports for MC Review in Jan/Feb 2013 FN	Jan/Feb