



Committee meeting 14/1/18

Venue; Cambridge University Sports Centre

Apologies: Andrew Aistrup, Sarah Jones, Ann Harvey.

Present: Nicki Weller, Karly Good, Phil Dodson, Dave Kingaby, Pat Dodson, Tony Fagelman, Neil Pike, Rachel Parker

Agenda

- Last meeting minutes approval.
 - Minutes approved via email after distribution following previous meeting.
- Committee reports approval and matters arising from.
 - Comments from AA report that some positions on the judge allocation (welfare officer and competition organiser) should not be on the form. It was felt that the allocation was valid as these were specialist and necessary positions. It was requested that these positions should be added to the officials list so these are recorded and visible to all clubs.
 - Clubs not sending required representation on the day – due to illness for example – It was agreed that a fine should be imposed and this should be down to the judging coordinator to impose – Action NW to discuss with AA. Decision is that the onus is firstly on the required club to provide a replacement, if they can't then there should be a fine. Next, the reserves should be used (and that club fined if they are not available), lastly if an official is asked to step in on the day then they are given a 'credit' towards the next competition. Need to send out a reminder to all clubs that this will be the case.
 - Agreed that as Andrew A will not be available for the Brentwood NDP competition that he should ask Jerry Broda to oversee judges on the day, although committee were not sure if Jerry would be attending.
- Regional team finals – expenses, T-Shirts, ECGA funding, Judges, Coaches etc.
 - Understanding is that t-shirts would need to be self-funded this year (as discussed with ECGA in 2016). Discussed being more closely aligned with

tumbling, so having same leotards/t-shirts (at the suggestion of tumbling regional coach, Carmel Shillito). NW will discuss details Carmel and look into submitting a joint funding bid from ECGA. NW to discuss coach expenses, chaperone role and positions also with Carmel next week.

- DMT/Matting – getting extra equipment in permanently at CUTC
 - Competition at Cambridge is still not making money, although some expenses have been put against just the first competition rather than atomised across the season. Also more computers have been purchased which will add to costs.
 - Can we have up to date itemised list of expenses of the day? Action AA.
 - Need to give ECGA a list of what the requirements are for competitions, and what is not currently at CUSC. Biscuit mats are not required for trampoline. Clubs are not prepared to lend out equipment any more as these mats are getting too damaged and the logistics of getting the mats to the venue is prohibitive.
 - Priority is a DMT rather than matting - £4800 plus £3500 for matting approximately.
 - We need a shopping list (DMT/Matting/Staging?) – Requests to NW who will go to ECGA.

- Zero scoring.
 - (a) Can we get rid of that at competitions for CLB grades on the basis that we can do as we please regionally for these as they don't progress to anything outside the region? Action – Yes.
 - (b) Can we ask BG to remove it for NDP grades as well? – NP to put proposals in an email and circulate for discussion/debate.
 - Software to be changed to accommodate team scores. If 3 people jumped (even if they scored 0) then they should still get the medal.

- R&C
 - Participants should be in competition attire. This will be made clear in the notes for R&C on the next competition entry form.

- Regional team manager election.
 - This was done via email prior to the meeting. Regional team manager role has been added to the committee as a position and Pat Dodson has been nominated by the committee for the 2017/8 year, and has accepted the position.

- AOB
 - Schools competition – Should we be charging the Schools committee for the provision of IT equipment? Agreed that from 2018 schools a cost will be required for this support – suggested £2 per participant. NW to take up with schools coordinator.
 - Today's competition – positive feedback but absence of marks at the time of the routine has again been commented on. 2 options – paying extra for a TV screen at the back of each panel to display scores, or we go back to

scorecards so that judge marks can be seen. Longer term, larger tablets with display screen for score would be great but this is not a short term or cost effective solution. Next competition at Brentwood will run with scorecards anyway. Agreed to have scorecards only in March, no other scoring system. Need to check that this is not being charged for – or if it is then a reduction is given in March.

- BG updated policies specifically state that club should avoid using personal devices for taking pictures to place on social media. Several coaches were seen to be using apparently personal devices to record performers (e.g for medal winners)
- BG have been made aware of a person falsely representing themselves as a BG national coach. Please ensure that any new visitors to a club as asked for ID. Clarification is available from safeguarding and compliance team at BG.
- There is an additional level 1 course scheduled in Norwich in June. Additional level 3 dates are also now in the diary. TF to circulate latest dates.
- Do we need an 'on the floor' judging person to oversee the competition, fill roles and deal with any issues if AA is busy with managing competition itself? AA please look into – either to allocate a floor manager, or an alternative judging coordinator on the day, whichever may be easier to fill.
- Brentwood competition will run with presentations ongoing during the day rather than a march on and two presentations.
- Club grades agreed to be able to compete at the March competition but we need to make it clear that they cannot go further within NDP structure.
- Next meeting was set for 18/3/18, following the March competition at Cambridge.

Meeting closed 18.45.