

WIGTOWNSHIRE SPORTS COUNCIL

Minutes of Executive Committee held on

Thursday 28th January 2016 at 7.30 pm in Glen of Luce Hall, Auchencmalg

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. In Attendance

Brian Park (Chairman)

Colin Dewar

Jane McDowall (Secretary & Treasurer)

Ilene Park

John Galloway

2. Apologies

Action

Jim Hayes, Raymond Smith, Alison Murray and Susan Caulfield.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

All agreed that the minutes of the November meeting were an accurate record of the business conducted and their adoption was proposed by Ilene and seconded by John.

4. Matters Arising

Colin had met John McNaught to discuss the closure of the minibus account. Jane passed over a copy of the e-mail sent to John on 1st April 2014 with all the necessary information for the Bank, which Colin would deal with.

Colin

5. Affiliations

None.

6. Treasurer's Report

The Balance Sheet up to 28 January was circulated showing grant awards of £4,650.50 to date although only £1,914.54 had been paid out due to non return of grant acceptance forms.

7. Grant Aid

Grant acceptance forms received from: Connor McCurdy (boxing), Alex Higgins (indoor bowling), David Kelly (indoor bowling), Stranraer Wheelchair Curling Club, Amy Wallace (skating).

None received from West End Bowling Club (April 2015); Stranraer Ice Rink Curling Club or Nigel Magee (indoor bowling).

It was agreed that acceptance forms should include the wording that they should be returned within 30 days of date of letter or the offer will be withdrawn.

Brian will speak to the Stranraer Ice Rink Curling Club contact. Jane to write West End Bowling Club and Nigel Magee.

Jane

No response had been received from Stranraer Bowling Club regarding supplying supporting evidence in the form of receipts or photos / press reports. It was agreed that Jane should write to the Club advising a deadline of 29th February for receipt of supporting information or the first payment must be returned as Club has not met conditions of grant award.

7. Grant Aid (continued)

The under-noted grant applications were considered and decisions made as follows:

WSC/18	Lewis MacLeod (swimming)	50% contribution towards travel costs to training and competitions.	£500.00
WSC/19	Josh Rennie (football)	30% towards eligible costs for training at Kilmarnock Football Club.	£300.00
WSC/20	Millennium Boxing Club	50% costs towards travel to Irish competition and Intermediate Championships.	£500.00

8. Correspondence

SALSC - vacancy for Finance Director. If anyone hasn't received the e-mail with information and would like a copy, please let Jane know.

SALSC - Andy Kelly from sportscotland highlighted that there is still funding available to sports clubs and sports councils from the Awards for All pot. Anyone thinking about applying to do so should contact Andy before submitting an application as he or one of his team will give you advice and support to make sure your application is as strong as possible. You can contact Andy and his team through the Glasgow sportscotland office on 0141 534 6500. More information: <https://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/awardsforallscotland>.

Jane to circulate Awards for All info to clubs and members.

Jane

SALSC had requested date of Sports Personality Awards and this would be done after tonight's meeting.

Jane

SALSC had circulated a request prior to Christmas for bowling clubs willing to host the SALSC Bowls events and this had been circulated to member clubs. Stranraer Bowling Club had indicated they were willing to host. Jane to advise SALSC.

Jane

9. Website and Facebook

The website is now being regularly updated and Facebook page has 56 likes.

10. Sports Personality Awards

It was agreed to hold these on the evening of Friday 25th March in the County Buildings, Wigtown. Alex Fergusson, MSP to be invited to present awards with Lord Lieutenant John Ross as reserve.

John proposed Bobby Cloy for the SALSC Service to Sport Award and this was unanimously agreed. John will supply background information to Jane for the nomination form in the next couple of weeks.

John

It was agreed that the method of selecting winners would be the same format as that used last year.

Jane suggested adding a new category of Club of the Year to recognise a club that has made a contribution to the development of their club's sport at local, regional or national level and this was agreed.

10. A.O.C.B.

Brian posed the question: "How can we go about encouraging new members for the committee?".

There was a good discussion on the topic with suggestions including writing to Clubs with the Agenda for the AGM emphasising it is about helping to support Clubs and individuals. There is only one evening meeting per month and a Club can send a different representative to different meetings.

Brian will also raise the matter at the Awards Ceremony.

Another possibility is to amalgamate the AGM with the Awards Ceremony although an adjustment to dates would be required.

Promote in press reports.

Colin suggested members of the committee could be given a small number of Clubs to contact and go and knock on doors and speak directly to people.

11. Date of Next Meeting

7.30 pm on Thursday 25th February 2016 in Glen of Luce Hall, Auchenalg.