

# WIGTOWNSHIRE SPORTS COUNCIL

Minutes of Executive Committee held on

**Thursday 30th November 2017 at 7.30 pm in Glen of Luce Hall, Auchenmalg**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for their attendance.

## 1. In Attendance

Brian Park (Chairman)	Jim Hayes (Vice Chairman)
Ilene Park	Elaine Beswick
John Galloway	Colin Dewar
Councillor Ros Surtees	
Alison Murray - Leisure & Sport, Dumfries & Galloway Council	
Jane McDowall (Secretary & Treasurer)	

## 2. Apologies

*Action*

Rebecca MacLeod, Mark Taylor and Dot Plant.

## 3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

All agreed that the minutes of the previous meeting were an accurate record of the business conducted and their adoption was proposed by Jim Hayes and seconded by Elaine Beswick.

## 4. Matters Arising

The Chairman asked Cllr Surtees if there had been any response from Wigtown Area Committee about the request for additional information as per Area Committee meeting minutes of 13th September. Cllr Surtees advised that the Area Committee does not require any additional information at this time. The Area Committee had noted that they needed to review their processes as so few of those receiving grant funding submitted reports. Cllr Surtees advised that regular (possibly six monthly) reports should be submitted to Area Committee via herself.

Brian advised that he had attended the Community Capacity Building event at the Ryan Centre on 13th November, which had been useful.

## 5. Affiliations

Christopher McCreadie.

## 6. Treasurer's Report

Copies of the Balance Sheet up to 30th November were circulated with grant expenditure at £2,496.50 plus £2,333.14 committed. The annual grant from D&G Council has not yet been received - Cllr Surtees will follow up.

*Cllr  
Surtees*

## 7. Grant Aid

A grant acceptance form had been received from Stranraer Wheelchair Curling Club. 50% of grant to be released.

*Jane*

Jane had contacted the parents of the three netball players who had confirmed that the pupils usually travelled together when attending training and individually with family when competing. The grant awards were calculated on that basis, with cost of shared journeys split between the three.

*Jane*

## 7. Grant Aid (continued)

Jane had contacted SportScotland regarding bodybuilding as a recognised sport. SportScotland had not said one way or the other but had sent a copy of the Sports Councils' Recognition Policy document. This document defines what is a Sporting Activity as follows:

“Sport means all forms of physical activity which, through casual or organised participation, aim at expressing or improving physical fitness and mental well-being, forming social relationships or obtaining results in competition at all levels.”

The committee were unanimous in their agreement that bodybuilding fitted within this definition.

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

WSC/009	Molly McLean	Assistance for travel costs to attend regional netball team training in Dumfries and competitions across Scotland	£271.06
WSC/010	Anna Ramsay	As above	£271.06
WSC/011	Ellie Arnott	As above	£271.06
WSC/016	Christopher McCreddie	Assistance for travel and accommodation costs to attend the DFAC (Drug Free Athletes Coalition) Body Building Championships in Miami.	£295.20
WSC/012	D&G Schools Netball Association	Contribution (shared across three Sports Councils) towards Netball Scotland Affiliation, Regional Squad Kit and Training Equipment. Jane to contact.	Unable to support as not members of WSC.
WSC/013	Millennium FC	Contribution towards training equipment - 5 rebounders.	£250.00
WSC/020	Lauren Anderson	Swimming - assistance towards travel, accommodation and competition costs - November 2017 - March 2018.	£300.00
WSC/021	Amy Wallace	Ice Skating - assistance towards travel and training costs - November 2017 - March 2018.	£500.00

Creetown Bowling Club had contacted Jane asking if they could apply for funding for new benches for changing rooms. This did not fit within the criteria. Jane to suggest that they try Awards for All.

## 8. Correspondence

Brian had received information from SALSC regarding Young People on Sports Committees. This did not apply to WSC as it currently has no junior committee members.

## 9. Sports Personality Awards

It was agreed to hold the 2018 awards on Friday 23rd March in Wigtown County Buildings, committee members would seek to secure category sponsors @ £30 and ask companies if they wished to donate branded merchandise as prizes in their category. It was hoped that this would help to spread the word about the Awards to a wider audience.

The promotion of the work of sports groups and individuals in the county would also be carried out again, probably on the ground floor, prior to people going up to hall.

Jane to circulate categories to committee members.

## **10. A.O.C.B.**

Brian reported that Stranraer Ice Rink had hosted the Scottish Wheelchair Curling Pairs Championships at the weekend with 16 teams from all over Scotland, including 1 from Newcastle Upon Tyne. The event had been a great success, running very smoothly, with Douglas Dewar and partner coming 3rd overall and another pair from Stranraer winning the Low Road.

Jim reported that Ellis had been awarded the Adult Oscar at the recent Highland Dancing Awards and Struan had won the Boys Competition at Beith, as well as coming 3rd overall.

The chairman thanked everyone for their contributions and attendance.

## **11. Date of Next Meeting**

7.30 pm on Thursday 25th January 2018 in Glen of Luce Hall, Auchenmalg.

The meeting closed at 8.15 pm.

## **Sports Personality Awards - Categories**

Senior Male  
Senior Female  
Junior Male (16 years and under)  
Junior Female (16 years and under)  
Senior Sports Team  
Junior Sports Team (16 years and under)  
Disabled Sportsperson  
Sports Administrator / Official  
Sports Volunteer  
Sports Coach  
Services to Sport  
Club  
SALSC Service to Sport Award

Potential sponsors - minimum of £30.

Company branded gifts as prizes, if desired.

**Friday 23rd March 2018, Wigtown County Buildings.**