

# WIGTOWNSHIRE SPORTS COUNCIL

Minutes of Executive Committee held on

**Thursday 25th January 2018 at 7.30 pm in Glen of Luce Hall, Auchenmalg**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for their attendance. Brian hoped that everyone had enjoyed a pleasant festive season.

## 1. In Attendance

Brian Park (Chairman)	Jim Hayes (Vice Chairman)
Ilene Park	Elaine Beswick
Rebecca MacLeod	John Galloway
Mark Taylor	Dot Plant
Colin Dewar	
Alison Murray - Leisure & Sport, Dumfries & Galloway Council	
Jane McDowall (Secretary & Treasurer)	

## 2. Apologies

*Action*

Councillor Ros Surtees.

## 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 Mark Taylor and seconded by Colin Dewar.

## 4. Matters Arising

None.

## 5. Affiliations

Bravehearts Boxing Club, Chloe McElrea (netball) and John McClelland (disabled wheelchair curling and sailing).

## 6. Treasurer's Report

Copies of the Balance Sheet up to 25th January were circulated with grant expenditure at £4,190.69 plus £1,984.19 committed.

The annual grant from D&G Council has still not been received and funds are very low as the historical reserve is now being utilised to make grant payments.

Cllr Surtees had made enquiries about payment of grant and Wilma McKeown, Area Committee Administrator has now sent through paperwork for signature and a monitoring report form for completion. On receipt of these documents the grant payment for 2017-18 of £9,447.00 will be paid.

## 7. Grant Aid

Grant acceptance forms have been received from Anna Ramsay (netball), Amy Wallace (ice skating), Millennium Football Club, Lauren Anderson (swimming) and Christopher McCreadie (natural body building). 50% of grant awards have been released.

*Jane*

Grant reports, receipts and press cuttings received from Lewis MacLeod (swimming), Galloway Pony Club, Josh Rennie (football), Millennium Football Club and Christopher McCreadie (bodybuilding) were circulated.

*Jane*

## 7. Grant Aid (continued)

Jane raised a query about Christopher's report which stated that flights and hotel were paid for by a sponsor - GPWA. Wigtownshire Sports Council had awarded 30% funding towards travel, accommodation and entry costs (£295.20). The members agreed that a letter should be sent to Christopher thanking him for informing the Sports Council about the sponsorship awarded to him after the grant had been awarded. In addition, Christopher to be advised that the Sports Council was unable to double fund expenditure and the final 50% of grant award would not be paid.

Dumfries & Galloway Netball Association application in November - no response to message enquiring about payment of affiliation fee.

James Dunion of Stewartry Sports Council had contacted Jane to enquire about Dumfries & Galloway Netball Association as they had also made an application to SSC. The Association had not affiliated to SSC either.

James had advised that the criteria for Stewartry Sports Council stated that they only support a maximum of three individuals in each sport per annum.

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

WSC/018	Gregor Reid - Go Kart Racing	Application for funding towards Practice Day fees, race day entry fees, engines, kart chassis, tyres, kart consumables, kart fuel, safety equipment and fuel for travelling.	Further information required.
WSC/019	Wigtownshire Bowling Association	Hamilton Trophy County Team transport and players meals.	Further information required.

Jane had sent e-mails to Anthony Reid and Wigtownshire Bowling Association on 11th January requesting additional information but none had been received by time of meeting. Jane to send letters requesting the additional information - more details were required about dates, costs, etc. WBA to be advised that food is not covered under WSC criteria.

Enquiry from D&G, Dumfries about an application that had been received for purchase of golf clubs. It was agreed that the season was due to start in March and an application for a grant would be considered.

Wigtown Bay Sailing Club - enquiry about funding for running of training courses. Agreed that WSC could fund individuals under coaching criteria but not for club to run courses.

Jane to respond to the enquiries from Caroline in Dumfries and Gary Pilling.

*Jane*

## 8. Correspondence

Brian had received information from SALSC regarding funding opportunities which he will forward to Jane for passing on to WSC members.

Brian had responded to SALSC regarding cancellation of Curling tournament advising them about likely reasons for lack of support.

## 9. Sports Personality Awards and Awareness Session - 23rd March 2018

Brian, Colin, John and Jim had secured the following sponsors: Caignelder Hotel, Ellis Hayes, South West Scotland Pest Control, The Pheasant Restaurant, Sorbie, R&S Window & Door Centre, Penkilm Timber and Builders Merchants, Stranraer Mobility and Care Centre and North West Castle Hotel.

**9. Sports Personality Awards and Awareness Session - 23rd March 2018 (continued)**

It was agreed that Lord Lieutenant John Ross should be invited to present the awards, Councillor Surtees to give opening remarks, and Councillor Nicol to give the vote of thanks.

No display would be organised. Wigtown County Buildings and Caroline's Catering were booked for the evening.

**Awareness Session** - display boards to be used again. Photographs and reports will be passed to Jane as follows (by 22nd February):

- Brian - golf and curling
- John - Bravehearts Boxing Club and Newton Stewart RFC
- Colin - sailing
- Dot - curling
- Mark - Millennium Football Club
- Alison - Active Schools
- Jim - Ellis and Struan and Amy - ice skating.

**SALSC Services to Sport Award** - Jane to make an application to SALSC as per discussion at meeting.

*Jane*

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

Alison advised that 2018 was the Year of Young People and there was a request from D&G Council to include a paragraph within the Sports Council's criteria prioritising young people in the awards decisions. This was unanimously agreed for 2018.

The chairman thanked everyone for their contributions and attendance.

**11. Date of Next Meeting**

7.30 pm on Thursday 22nd February 2018 in Glen of Luce Hall, Auchenmalg.

The meeting closed at 8.45 pm.