

WIGTOWNSHIRE SPORTS COUNCIL

Minutes of Executive Committee held on

Thursday 29th January 2015 at 7.30 pm in Glen of Luce Hall, Auchenmalg

The Chairman welcomed those present to the first meeting of 2015.

1. In Attendance

Brian Park (Chair)
Cllr Graham Nicol

Jim Keenan - Sandhead Bowling & Community Club
Jane McDowall (Secretary & Treasurer)

2. Apologies

Action

Jim Hayes, Alex Whiteside and Alison Murray.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

All agreed that the minutes were an accurate record of the business conducted and their adoption was proposed in principle. To be adopted at the next quorate meeting.

4. Matters Arising

Dumfries & Galloway Council had contacted the Secretary in early January to invite the Sports Council's involvement in the Administration's discussion on draft budget proposals for 2015/16 and 2017/18 by mid January. The chairman had contacted Harry Hay, Head of Improvement and Engagement to discuss the budget as it related to the Sports Council and Brian's letter to Harry making representation to the Council was read out to the meeting.

5. Affiliations

Kian Carnochan (boxing), Stranraer & District Angling Association and Merrick Mavericks Swimming Club.

6. Treasurer's Report

The second half of the grant from Dumfries & Galloway Council had now been received - £4,723.50.

The income and expenditure statement up to 29th January was circulated showing grant expenditure of £3,880.00 plus £1,000 committed in principle.

7. Grant Aid

Bowls Coaching - Laura Irwin, Regional Development Officer - West for Bowls Scotland had now confirmed that there were no qualified bowls coaches in the area and no national coaches willing to travel. Laura was planning to organise an Introduction to Bowls Coaching Award in the area at the start of the season to allow local bowlers to gain a coaching qualification. The Sports Council would be able to assist with funding this course and it was hoped that as many bowlers as possible would take up this opportunity. Laura will advise Jane of the details as soon as they are available and Jane will circulate to all Bowls Clubs in Wigtownshire.

Jane

Second grant payments were now due as follows:

Tyler Jolly (boxing) - report awaited (due October) - Jane to follow up.

Jane

Robbie Smith (football) - report received and read out to meeting.

Lewis MacLeod (swimming) - report on way.

Josh Mitchell (swimming) - report awaited (due January) - Jane to follow up.

Jane

7. Grant Aid (continued)

The draft Guidelines relating to Distribution of Grant Aid were referred to during the decision making process to assist in finalising the guidelines.

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

WSC/18	Euan Kyle - curling	Travel, accommodation and entry fees for U17 and U21 national competitions	£500
WSC/19	Kian Carnochan - boxing	Boxing equipment for competitions	£83.70

The draft Guidelines to be reviewed at the next meeting.

Agenda

8. Correspondence

Renfrewshire Council had sent copies of their Sports Strategy Documents and a copy was given to the chairman and a copy will be passed on to Alison Murray at the next meeting.

Clone Motor Sport had sent a copy of their calendar.

9. Sports Council Grant Awards - Review of Criteria

To carry forward to next meeting.

10. Sports Personality Awards - Recent Local Sporting Achievements

Brian advised that Hugh Nibloe had been selected as 5th man for the Scottish Wheelchair Curling Team and they had won a silver medal at the British Championships recently. They will now go out to compete at the World Championships in Finland.

The arrangements for the Sports Personality Awards were discussed and agreed.

10. Website and Facebook

Jane enquired about promoting the Sports Personality Awards via Facebook for a small cost and this was agreed.

11. A.O.C.B.

None.

12. Date of Next Meeting

7.30 pm on Thursday 26th February 2015 in Glen of Luce Hall, Auchenalg.