

Minutes of Committee Meeting
24th July 2018 7pm
Conference call

Welcome

In attendance: Sean Clarke, Gill Wayland, Martin Wayland, Kim Snape, S-J Evans and Luke Dorbin.

Apologies

Apologies from Aaron Dempsey.

Minutes of previous meeting

SJ working with Beth and Jess to come up with a plan for the ground rules on funding for training and what cost is involved in running a training event.

Malcolm and Aaron to assess buying new paddles, Sean to confirm how much money is available and allocated to this.

Martin to discuss with Laura and Becky at BC about creating leaflets and posters to help engage commercial rafters into the world of raft racing.

Aaron has got the raft numbers on order should be here in a few weeks and should be able to start numbing rafts soon.

Sean to discuss selection policy during the meeting.

Sean to send out the proposed gate agreement for teams to agree to when using slalom sites.

Luke to liaise with Fieke about the agreement and to help create a good etiquette guide for slalom sites.

New raft coach awards are moving forwards. 3 levels for individuals to complete its not mandatory but good guide to help develop paddlers. During the British Open event there will be a trial run of possibly 2x90 minute sessions. To deliver the awards you need to be a qualified raft guide at the moment to help ensure safety of the crews.

Gill had the under 19 teams sign a code of conduct before Slovakia.

Sean checked the teams against the selections to ensure the attendants where correct.

Email addresses have been sorted

Finance

No new outgoings. 1 ticket for British Open purchased, money for the event comes in afterwards.

Gill and Luke to sort DBS expenses.

Welfare

Gill has been set up as a verifier of DBS documents. Before Slovakia Gill set some ground rules with the U19 teams and had them sign a code of conduct.

Sean addressed sending a welfare representative to Euro and World events as there is great value in having someone there. This is something to consider going forwards.

Events

British Open 15th-16th September. 1 ticket sold (Masters Women from Slovakia)

Needs 10 teams to break even. Bert is coming as Head Judge, Malcolm and Martin are on the Jury and Mihai is coming over as a judge also.

Conduct from Coaches

Malcolm will disclose details to Committee members and seek assistance if required

Selection Policy and associated policy

Sean and Martin to write the selection policy for the coming season. Tom Quinn to help. The policy will be sent out for review before the British Open. Key points to look at are the ambiguity in sending a team that has not attended the selection event and the self safety aspect of teams.

Other disciplines have a section strategy to help with the set up and aims of selections. Do we want to begin implementing one and if so what do we want to focus on? More teams in events or more medals for example.

Four year plan

Sean has sent out the plan for comments. There needs to be a 4 year plan in order to help secure future funding.

Bidding to host IRF events.

Cardiff are happy to help with a Euro Cup in mid summer. Gemma from BC is looking into funding possibilities to help with water fees to ensure better water times.

Sean and Malcolm have been talking to BC with regards to a R4 worlds to be held in 2022 at Lee Valley. David Joy has pre approval from the board for hosting the event. Sean to put together a costings plan for BC.

For the event Sean suggested a team to work together alongside the BR committee to organise and run the event.

AOB

Martin to arrange to discuss with Sean about the Comms actions moving forwards. Support from SJ and Kim to help with media if required.

Sean spoke about the LV duck release, good event and gave Sean an opportunity to speak to the Mayor of Broxbourne about the possibility of a small grant for an event. Also there is the possibility of a royal representative presenting the medals at the selection event.

Next Meeting

A face to face meeting at the British Open in Lee Valley on the 16th September 2018. Time TBC (early afternoon)