

THE YORKSHIRE SQUASH & RACKETBALL ASSOCIATION www.yorkshiresquash.com President – Dr. Assem Allam

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD VIRTUALLY ON 22 JUNE 2020

PRESENT: Matt Stephenson (Chairman), Mike Clemson, Stephen Widdowson, Nicky Horn and Hugh Mannerings. Also present, but unable to participate for technical reasons, Peter Keen and Andrew Tressler

APOLOGIES: received from Billy Hawes, Steve Ridge, Dominic Pegg, Richard Antcliff, Derek Norris and Martin Roberts

MINUTES of the meeting held on 16 March 2020 were approved

FINANCIAL REPORT Peter's report as at 12 June was noted and accepted, with thanks as always to Peter

DEVELOPMENT OFFICERS REPORT Nicky and Hugh spoke to their circulated report on their activity before and during lockdown, including their work in assisting clubs to prepare for the reopening of their courts, and sharing good practice in this regard. The report also led to a discussion about our Junior strategy, and the need to be clear about the various roles involved

BUDGET PLANNING 2020-21 The meeting reviewed the existing and proposed criteria for the allocation of funds, and agreed –

- (a) Travel and accommodation expenses for ICC matches should remain as is, with the addition of mileage being paid for up to 4 cars for away matches not requiring overnight accommodation (or up to 3 cars for three person teams)
- (b) T shirt arrangements were approved
- (c) Coach support at events involved players representing Yorkshire should be paid at £15 per hour for up to eight hours a day. If two Coaches are involved, and girls teams are playing, one of the Coaches must be a woman. For away matches, Coaches can also claim for travel

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and accommodation at the rates applicable to players

- (d) Projects financially supported by YS should include a contribution from participants and hopefully support such as the free use of accommodation from the host venue. YS will contribute up to £15 per hour for up to six hours of coaching
- (e) Any requests for exceptional expenditure not allowed for or specifically included in the criteria above or the budget, must be approved in advance by two of the Trustees not directly involved in the application

BUDGET 2020-21 The circulated budget was approved without amendment, with the proviso that it must be reviewed at regular intervals during the year, and adjusted as necessary to ensure that we always have an agreed reserve (currently £5000). This included agreement that the contracts of the Development Officers should be extended to 30 June 2021, subject to the above proviso

OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) It was understood that Billy Hawes had declared the Yorkshire League 2019-20 season null and void, thus avoiding any issues of promotion and relegation consequent upon the truncating of the season
- (b) It was agreed that the AGM scheduled for 14 September should be postponed until later in the autumn, and planning for it should be on the agenda of the Committee meeting due to be held on that date (provisionally at Pontefract Squash Club at 7.30 pm)
- (c) It was agreed that, should further information about the resumption of squash justify it, a further Committee meeting would be convened before September

The Chairman then declared the meeting closed

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