

Minutes of the Bridport Rugby Football Club Committee Meeting held on Monday 13th June 2022 at The Clubhouse

Present: Peter Brook (PB), Julian Hussey (JH), Simon Hussey (SH), Ayo Fraser (AF), Allan Staerk (AS), Louis Browne (LB), Dan Butler (DB), Guy Livingston (GL), Jasmine Hussey (JH)

1. Apologies

Stuart Briggs, Kathy Briggs, Kevin Hart, Andrew Livingston, Noel Gregory, Sam Petchey

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes were approved. Proposed by Simon, Seconded by Guy and all were in favour.

3. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

4. Chairman's Report

- Julian thanked Dan and his team for a fantastic Club Dinner.
- Julian explained the comments from Irwin Mitchell and all were happy for them to be added into the constitution. **Action JH.**
- AGM – the first item on the agenda will be taking on the running of the bar and the second will be agreeing the revised constitution. Anyone who attends the AGM can vote.
- It was confirmed that the Club and the bar will run as two separate entities.
- Prior to the meeting Stuart sent "Sky booked, card in the machine, I will confirm 30 days' notice of cancellation on 24th June by email. Allocation of tickets for NZ and South Africa all sold. Tickets available for Japan and Argentina. Sponsorship - From Juniors one hoarding Swains agreed awaiting anymore details from Noel. Emails sent out this week to all of last year's entrants in the shirt draw (38). So far 10 replies for £1500. In addition, Hoardings for Mac Builders, Highlands End and Tropical Decorators, who also sponsored warm up tops £690 and donated £500 towards junior's French trip. Very generous! Will monitor emails while I am away and go for a final chase up 1st week July. Bar - Some issues at the 21st Party, linked mainly to numbers and choice of drinks, vodka not wine/beer! Spoke with the parents on the Sunday and no issues. For the future we need to control this type of event so that we have the appropriate stock levels and Rachel is prepared. I just spoke to Rachel, and she said she hasn't yet had the numbers for 1st July. Please check with Noel/Simon that this will be done and if possible, type of event. Rachel also suggested getting some more plastic glasses say 24 half pints and 24 pints. If in agreement can this be organised. Email to VPs and sponsors re Eng v Aus sent bar and breakfast from 10am on 2,9 and 16th July."

5. Treasurer's Report

- Current figures - £54,765.91
- The last big payment was for the Club Dinner food.
- Ayo is preparing the initial accounts to send to Simon Hartley. The accounts should be ready for the AGM.
- The date of the AGM will hopefully be Wednesday 20th July. Simon will check with Rachel. **Action SH.**

6. Secretary's Report

- Nigel, who runs the fencing club, had to move to the LC on the weekend of the French Tour. He wants to book every Saturday morning, 10am – 12noon, from the beginning of September onwards. He is happy to move if we have an event on. He is currently paying £8.80 per hour. We will need to work out a price taking the cost of gas, electric, etc into consideration.
- There is still some cross over with the LC. Exeter Chiefs and Bath have asked for the Clubhouse on their training days, but the LC already have it booked for their summer activity days. Allan will speak to the LC. **Action AS.**

7. VP report

None to be reported.

8. Fixtures

- Prior to the meeting, Kevin sent "Re- Tens Tournament: I have sent invitations to Dorchester, Wheatsheaf Cabin Crew, Weymouth, Lytchett Minster, Poole and Wimborne but have not yet had any response. I will extend the invitations further and the last 2 vacant places can be filled on a first come first served basis. I am still awaiting authorisation of the tournament from Gerald Burden."
- Guy is happy to continue as the RFU Liaison.
- Wimborne will be asked to either swap to a home match or rearrange the match due to Dave Cutting's wedding.
- Senior Tour – Prior to the meeting, Reinier sent "Just wanted to touch base (as we are less than 2 months away from our potential tour) - 1) Dates: is 2nd - 4th Sept OK for you? 2) Accommodation: what would we need to bring to camp on the BRFC grounds? 3) Has the RFU been informed and will they sign/approve in time? We have looked into flights, and things still seem possible, but we need to decide over the next few days really."
- Guy and Allan will investigate camping at the Club and report back. **Action GL & AS.**

9. Coaching Report

- The players feedback from the season was to try and recruit coaches to support Ayo. An advert has been publicised and there has been some interest.
- The amount coaches are paid is unknown. Louis will ask some of his contacts. **Action LB.**
- Wednesdays Touch session are going well.
- Ayo asked Sam to put together a plan for the gym. Sam is working on a proposal and will email to the committee.

10. Team management Report

- Dorset and Wilts have sent through documents that need to be circulated to each age group.

11. Captain Report

None to be reported.

12. Junior report

None to be reported.

a) Colts Report

- Proposed French tour for October. A meeting will be held after the colts have finished their GCSE's.

13. Social Report

- Dan thanked the committee for helping with the dinner.
- Dan will see if the paintballing is still valid. **Action DB.**

14. Ground Maintenance

- The ground is not being used for car parking.
- Noel is sorting the painting of the Junior Pavilion. Peter to Liaise with Noel. **Action NG & PB.**

15. Business Development Report

Covered in the Chairman's report.

16. Club Development

a) Safeguarding

None to be reported.

b) School Liaison

None to be reported.

c) Publicity

- The committee agreed that the publicity has been brilliant this season.

d) Volunteers

- This is ongoing, volunteers are still needed.

e) Development Plan

- Chris Burton still hasn't replied. Allan to chase. **Action AS.**

17. AOB

- The kitchen is still being used by someone outside the club. Allan to liaise with the LC. **Action AS.**
- There will be a work party on Monday 20th June to thoroughly clean the kitchen.
- We will be using the same cleaning company as the LC and the cost will be the same.