

Rugby & Northampton Athletics Club: General Committee Meeting

Date: 14 March 2016, Creaton, 7.30pm

Present: Mark Exley, Terry Akiens, Joe Horsley, Ben Townsend, Adrian White, Paul Cooper, Karen Rushton and Helen Gardner

Apologies: Angie Sumnall, Janet Wright, Stuart Carlaw and Dave Burge

1. Matters arising from meeting of 8 February 2016.

- 1.1 **Rubbish Bins:** Who empties the bins has still not been resolved. Issue with RBC as club has never paid for bin emptying.
- 1.2 **Admin Role at Rugby:** see Finance section.

2. Northampton Track

Contractors are back on site. Clubhouse will be complete Mid-April. Track should be ready by the end of May. EA looking at capital funding project to extend clubhouse.

College now putting agreement together for track. NTFC, may well get outstanding money back from 'joint' fund. The Northampton end of the club will improve immensely once all are back training at one site.

3. Rugby Clubhouse

- 3.1 **Clubhouse Phase1:** Janet Wright circulated a report showing costs of works still to be accrued out and equipment required. Cost of additional store seen as excessive and alternatives being investigated. Need to pursue alternatives such as container either by purchase or by hire.
- 3.2 **Gym Completion:** Janet has produced a fund raising calendar (see report circulated). DB was looking a obtaining quotes for alternative plasterer and electricians (but was ill and could not attend the meeting). HG said she would also look into alternative quotes. Decision on taking further deferred to April meeting when JW will be in attendance.

4. Finance

- 4.1 Subscriptions – projection to end of year now shows increased subs agreed at AGM.
- 4.2 Transactions – Noted
- 4.3 Accounts to date – Noted
- 4.4 Budget for 2016 – Minor changes made to reflect agreed changes to previous budget.
- 4.5 Coaching courses report – noted
- 4.6 2014 Annual Accounts. Auditors email discussed. Policies for issues raised to be confirmed at next meeting
- 4.7 Admin Role at Rugby – Discussion held over roles and costs of administrative support. Agree that any "Paid Position" must be ratified by the Committee before any commitment made with the individual. To be reviewed at next meeting. (note Saturday Track club payments are self-funded).

5. Membership

- 5.1 New members: 17 new members proposed and all accepted

Amelia Carlaw	Rory Gudgeon	Noah Lovell	Anne-Marie McIntyre
Emma Phillips	Nicola Bell	Phillip Eaton	Amy Hunter
Bryn Jordan-Thomas	Harrison McCarter	Elle Miller	Louise Whitehouse
Perriss Wilkins	Sally Wood	Daisy Cotter	Emily Gallacher
Elsie Kinsella	Kate Millington	Henry Sparke	Janice Abbott
Sarah Alexander			

5.2 1029 members: rugby – 607 (LRG – 171); Northampton 422.

It was noted that the club has a 33% turn over in athletes per year and the totals included 78 outstanding renewals some of whom have been registered with EA to allow them to compete.

5.3 Coaches – at 13/03/16 there were 100 Coaches, 44 Officials.

6. Competition

6.1 James Wright competed in the Heptathlon for GB (in France)

6.2 Throws ‘masterclass ‘held at Corby

6.3 **Spring Open**, will feature electronic timing this year. Also UK Women’s league co-hosting at Bedford and British League on 4 June

6.4 Midland League on 5th June.

KR and ME jointly organising officials

7. Governance

7.1 **Review of AGM/EGM.** Constitution changes agreed. New subs rate agreed. Adrian White and Stuart Carlaw voted on as Northampton members. To vacancies for Northampton members to fill. Everything in place

7.2 **Club Constitution** – Updated copy signed by Chairman and Secretary

7.3 **STAR volunteers** – no action

8. Road Races

Email has been circulated for Marshalls for the Rugby 6. Volunteer also need to take bookings at Silverstone.

9. Communication

9.1 Website

Critical that gap in helpers for website is filled. Updating isn’t being done. Needs a couple of people to pick this up. Request for help to go out to club members and parents.

9.2 PR Support & Sponsorship

Small group set up to help but hard to get volunteers. Final draft of .pdf produced to allow club to go out to local businesses. First sponsor now in place – funding equipment.

10. Welfare

Nothing to report.

11 AOB

11.1 Request from BS for club to sponsor T shirts for those going on Warm Weather Training to Portugal. Declined as should be part of fund raising.

11.2 Photos at events. Sarah F invoice for £470 received for last year. Agreed to pay and to have similar level of photographs for this year.

Meeting Closed 2140. Date of next meeting 11 April 2016 at 19.30