



COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY 8th MARCH 2022

Apologies for absence :: Howard Jones; Terry Jones; Guy Scott.

Present :: Mal Brown; Chris & Annette; G S Jackson; Max Lloyd; Laura Mather; Alex Nolan; Cyril Nolan; Gary Nolan; Lee Picken; Lorna Rogers; Don Wallington; Keith Wilson.

1. **Chairman's Report** :: GSJ & TJ draft letter on Safeguarding, Equity & Diversity Policy is attached to the minutes. Terry had attended the ES Webinar on the subject which is rapidly gaining significance and prominence in all sports. Work to continue with a view to presenting the document to the AGM on 6th June.
2. **Honorary Treasurer** :: Laura reported that expenditure exceeded income because of repairs to showers etc. Sales through the vending machine have moved into a small surplus. The Committee was reminded of the probable large increases in fuel costs which would need careful monitoring.
3. **Membership Secretary** :: Membership Figures confirmed at 176. An increase of 9 this month.
4. **Club Captain/County Rep** :: GSJ gave a brief summary of team positions in the 3 Divisions outlining the probability that all teams through "A" to "E" would be involved in "Play Offs" to decide promotion/relegation issues. It was **AGREED** the prospect of 3 teams in any one division was unsustainable and not approved. It was **AGREED** to follow up Cyril's suggestion to hold a Club and Team Captains meeting as soon as possible to review the current season and plan ahead for the next.
5. **1st Team Captain** :: Alex reported by email that the Division One playing schedule has been badly disrupted by Covid-19 cases and injuries.
6. **Junior Section** :: The Primary Schools sessions have been well received with recruitment potential shown by children expressing an interest in attending Junior Club. Numbers at the extra Thursday sessions were increasing. Gary reported that a friendly fixture is programmed for 23rd April at Wolverhampton.
7. **Internal Leagues** :: The number of Squash leagues remain at 11 and Racketball 3. It was **AGREED** that everyone of us should talk to all members and encourage them to join the leagues with a view to strengthening County League teams.
8. **Website** :: Junior contact telephone number to be amended.
9. **Current & Future Events** ::
 - a) Ladies Squash for beginners and Pizza & Prosecco evenings to continue.
 - b) Sunday Open Squash/Racketball evenings to continue.
 - c) It was **AGREED** that there would be an end of season social & awards evening.
 - d) It was **AGREED** that the Club should arrange a Safeguarding Seminar for Coaches.
 - e) It was **AGREED** to arrange a Defibrillator training session. Volunteer required.
 - f) It was **AGREED** that the Club would hold its Internal Squash & Racketball Championships after the completion of the Winter Leagues. Possibly during April/May.
10. **Housekeeping Paper** :: To be re-issued with a plea for help.
11. **Maintenance** :: It was **AGREED** to replace all "Off Court" Club lighting with LED lights at a cost of £1,000 plus VAT to Specification and Quotation provided by Wilson Alarms..
GSJ to follow up the progress on the installation of a "live Streaming" facility linked to UTube to show team matches.
12. **AOB** ::
 - a) The request for provision of shower gel dispensers in M & F showers at a cost of Dispensers £33; refills £400 pa was **NOT AGREED**.
 - b) Late request for day and time of Committee meetings to be discussed at the next meeting.

Date of next meeting

MONDAY 4th APRIL 2022 at 1930 hours