



**HAMPSHIRE VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION – MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY
30 SEPTEMBER 2016**

Attendees	Bev Cooper Ashley Cullen Mark Simmons Richard Osborne Andy Edwards Dave Gunter	Junior Development/Adult Participation Chair/Finance Officer VRM Hampshire and Dorset Investment Zone Secretary/Sitting Volleyball Website Administration Coaching Adviser
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Item 1 - Welcome and Opening Remarks	Action
<p>1. Ashley welcomed attendees and explained the meeting's focus would be on the Indoor Grand Prix for 2016/17; future projects and funding; and the development plan.</p>	
<p>Item 2 – Review of previous minutes and actions arising</p>	
<p>1. Richard took members through the minutes of the last meeting, which was the AGM held in July. There were no outstanding actions from that meeting and the committee was content to endorse the minutes.</p>	
<p>Item 3 – Indoor Grand Prix 2016/17</p>	
<p>1. Ashley offered his thanks to Bev for the extensive work she had undertaken in scoping suitable venues for the forthcoming Indoor Grand Prix series and for canvassing interest from teams. He explained that the Bay Hub is very keen to host the HVA at its state of the art facility, the hire rate is very competitive and that teams will benefit from both as a result.</p>	
<p>2. Bev affirmed that 8 dates have been identified for the men's and ladies' competitions, although she is seeking to change one date in February and awaits confirmation from the Bay Hub. She was pleased to report that there are five teams taking part in each of the men's and ladies' competitions and that she has corresponded with the universities and a number of other contacts, so the final number may increase further.</p>	
<p>3. Discussion followed on the format for each Grand Prix and it was agreed that the teams need to know as soon as possible what the arrangements will be. Andy agreed to finalise the details and, having done so, will consult Dave and then pass the information to Richard for dissemination to the participating teams. The rules will be updated and also cascaded to teams. Ashley added that it would also be beneficial for a committee member to deliver a short welcoming introduction to participating teams at the start of the first men's and ladies' Grand Prix and encouraged all committee members to attend as many competitions as possible.</p>	<p>Andy, Dave & Richard</p>
<p>4. Bev stated that in past seasons the website had not been kept up to date and was a source of frustration for teams. She emphasised the importance of ensuring the website is ready for populating immediately and Andy agreed to take the lead on doing so. Bev also described the need to add photos and a report to the website and social media, which committee members agreed was essential.</p>	<p>Andy</p>
<p>5. Bev indicated her intention to send a list of team contacts to Ashley so that he could arrange invoices to be sent out.</p>	<p>Bev & Ashley</p>

Item 4 – Development Plan

1. Richard introduced this item, informing members that Year 2 of the plan had ended in July and had now entered its final year. He confirmed that he would send members a soft copy of the plan out of committee so that they can update Year 2 outcomes and begin to populate any progress made in Year 3.
2. Mark led members through sections of the plan for which he had the lead. On junior development, he reminded members that funding for satellite clubs is due to finish in April 2017 and that the creation of any new clubs will be dependent on further funding streams becoming available. He outlined his ambition to create a further satellite club at Park Community School and described work he had undertaken to promote volleyball at Further Education institutions.
3. On adult development, Mark updated members on Go Spike sessions that are taking place at the David Lloyd's in Southampton and which are being delivered by Dave over a 10-week period. Elsewhere, The Hub at Eastleigh was very keen to develop a sitting volleyball club and Richard will be seeking to deliver taster sessions in the new year with Maria Kimber from The Hub.
4. Mark signalled how pleased he was with the number of Go Spike sessions taking place regularly (28 in total) and that many of these are club sessions, so are well established and enduring. He said the Go Spike Big Weekends that took place had exceeded expectations with 6 events taking place in May and 4 delivered in August. Separately, the Workplace Challenge, organised by Sport Hampshire and Isle of Wight (now called Energise Me), had brought together several Portsmouth-based businesses to play beach and sitting volleyball in Southsea. Mark is hopeful of a follow-up session taking place with perhaps similar events taking place at other locations across Hampshire.
5. Looking at other parts of the development plan, Mark indicated that no coaching courses are on the horizon although he is active with teacher workshops. Ashley thanked Mark for a comprehensive round up and acknowledged the huge amount of work he has done and is doing.

Item 5 – Future projects and funding

1. Ashley introduced this item, confessing he did not have visibility of the available funding streams that could be utilised to finance projects and initiatives the HVA may wish to support or deliver. A general discussion ensued about potential sources of funding and members were then invited to offer any specific initiatives they wished to deliver. Mark identified a competition for the junior/school-based satellite clubs, while Bev considered referee and coaching courses to be important. Richard highlighted the need to deliver a sitting volleyball workshop, for which financial support may be needed because the cost has been identified as an impediment to attendance despite a large volume of interested participants.
2. It was agreed that Richard would distil the various options into a paper for out of committee consideration and for discussion at the next committee meeting.

Item 6 – Any other business

1. Dave stated that he is delivering a Level 1 coaching course at Solent University in Feb 2017.
2. Richard mentioned that he had met Freda Bussey recently and that she is keen

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to deliver the SEVA junior events at different locations across the South East. Richard informed Freda that the Bay Hub had potential to meet all the criteria she was looking for and Freda was very interested in pursuing the option. Bev indicated that she would contact Freda to discuss further.

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Item 7 – Date of next meeting

1. The next meeting is scheduled to take place on Tuesday 15 November from 1830 to 2030. Richard will advise members of the venue in due course.

Richard