



BTBA NATIONAL COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes

23rd June 2019

I. Call to order

Meeting of the National Tenpin Bowling Council in Holiday Inn, Luton South

II. Roll call

Present: Terry Searle - Clerk to the Meeting (**TS**), Martin Webster - Chair (**MW**), Lisa John (**LJ**), Paul LeManquis (**PL**), Simon Herbert - part (**SH**).

Apologies: Ron Griffin (**RG**), Jo Cundy (**JC**), Daniel Bonfield (**DB**), Vicki Harman (**VH**), Mark Stoner (**MS**).

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

MW asked, and it was confirmed, that all had read the last minutes.

“Approved as read” Proposed: **PL** Seconded: **LJ** Approved: **By all present**

IV. Divisional Reports

Prior to main meeting there will be a presentation by the NAYBC, so Other Business was discussed.

MW expressed his disappointment in the turnout for the meeting.

TS presented all the vacant NC positions.

LJ will review, update and circulate job descriptions for publication:

- Communications Manager (now to be under Membership Services)
- Director of Sport Development
- Director of Membership Services
- Head of Marketing & Business Development
- Central Regional Officer
- Head of Women's Council
- Head of Equality & Diversity



NAYBC Presentation by SH with Steven Troop (ST)

There was a presentation available via Slack given to the **NC**, it showed the shrinkage of the youth division over the last years from 4000 to 700 members, and from 120 to 40 YBC's.

The new membership payment was seen as a positive step as all barriers to registering a YBC and access to competition for all members is now easier.

The survey was discussed, and **ST** felt the main requirement was for the NAYBC to do a better job for the members.

Non-registered YBC's will not have safeguarding checks or insurances in place. **TS** to remind TBPA of the service we offer to the clubs.

Club Matters is going to be presented to all clubs in order to hopefully get all YBC's registered for Club Mark. This will make access to funding possible.

Coaching Environment - all clubs must be aware of the need for coaches to be NGB qualified. **SH** to ensure all clubs are aware.

Fundraising was discussed and **SH** is to investigate a charity fundraising lottery.

Following the presentation, a discussion followed on the Junior Nationals. The **NC** agreed that it must remain the same format for at least another year. **SH** said he would like to liven up the nationals and discuss with the existing tournament team changes he will be making, including the changes to the medals to a brighter, more relevant style including the ribbons. All agreed.

MW thanked them for their presentation.

V. MW Office of the Chair

Mr. Craig Wilson is willing to develop a national database of averages this will give us the flexibility to promote the top players.

Bowlers Forum - **LJ** to set up feedback groups, north and south, the target being to get people in place by July to start in August 2019, using the possibilities of discussion groups and Facebook groups.

The results will be fed back to **NC** and **Exec** to respond.

A question was asked if you could change the number of registered ICC seniors from 7 to 9? **PLM** said you can change the team of 7 right up to the first ball of the event being bowled, so he could not see any reason for the change, only the added costs of the extra registered bowlers at the event.

ICC Adults - **JC** to confirm if the ruling is the same.

TS is to review with Team England how we should deal with trialist who do not make the team, Maybe entry into the National championship as TE?



Annual Award - Official of the Year, there is no mention of council members?

Senior awards - We should book a room for the winner and if the winner is already there with a team, we can invite a guest of Honor.

TS to review voting forms with **LJ** for her to then distribute.

Six centers have shown interest in holding midweek events, the first event should be an open event with ladies receiving a bonus.

Mr. Chris Skudder to organize and format the event with **PL** available to help if required.

Name to be finalized but 'Senior Midweek Tour' was suggested.

VI. LJ Membership

The Secretaries meeting at the AGM provided good feedback, what is needed is a full day to progress. **All Agreed.**

LJ to organize a standalone secretaries meeting.

AGM feedback:

- Please to be able to attend
- Really nice to be able to ask any questions
- Love the Tastecard

AGM for 2020 can still be the first weekend in May as the bank holiday has changed for next year, 2nd May 2020, **TS** to arrange venue.

Tastecard to be given to all **NC** members.

LJ to send crib sheet to **TS** for telephone questions.

Already a few members have rejoined. The only problem could be the administration when the bulk membership applications arrive in September

LJ to contact English Heritage and National trust for details on membership schemes.

ETBF Congress

LJ was well received by the congress members, there was discussions on having Women on the ETBF presidium.



World Bowling Congress proposals and proxy voting - **TS** to contact D Steiner and home nations to agree what proxy votes we will be taking.

ETBF proposals accepted from Belgium:

- All national team coaches at European championships must be qualified to ETBF level 2 or equivalent, from 1st Jan 2021
- The European Champions Cup has changed its name to European Championship of Champions

VII. **TS SPORT DEVELOPMENT**

PLM explained his proposal to make string bowling inclusive under the World rules - these are to go to World Bowling for consideration at the congress.

It was agreed that **PLM** should forward to **TS**, **TS** would then submit to ETBF president and Secretary for comment, then forward to World Bowling

VIII. **Next Meeting**

Date and Venue to be discussed between **TS** and **MW** and distributed.

Minutes submitted by: Terry Searle

Minutes approved by: Martin Webster