**Minutes for Committee Meeting**

**Monday 13th June 2022 7.00pm**

**Present:** Ken Littlejohns (KL), Anna O’Neill (ACO), Leigh Henderson (LH), Carol Quinn (CQ); Ian Byett (IB), Terry Wegg (TW)

**Apologies:** Edward Thomas (ET), Felicity Edwards (FE), Jackie Tobin (JT), Jo Breeds (JB), Ann Henderson (AH)

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|  | **PART 1** |
| 1 | LH welcomed the attendees and thanked them all for attending. AH confirmed that the meeting was quorate.  **Minutes of the last meeting (10/05/2022)**  The minutes of the meetings were discussed and agreed as true and accurate records. |
| 2 | **Matters arising from the last minutes**  The Committee Tracker was reviewed and updated. |
|  | **PART 2** |
| 3 | **REPORTS**  The Reports were issued in advance of the meeting via email and additional comments are noted below.  **Treasurer**  The Treasurer was unable to attend the meeting.  IB referred to a previous meeting where the Committee agreed that the Club would provide funds for athlete travel and accommodation at the NAL meeting in Manchester. IB advised that he paid out £35 per hotel against an agreed budget of £50 per hotel. This covered 27 athletes and 8 officials. IB has paid all the invoices and are they are being send to ET, for reimbursement.  **Coaching**  LH reported that the 3 As standard scheme going well and confirmed, with the support of the Committee, that competitors will only be given one certificate per grade performance.  LH advised that there is a trend towards using Andover whilst the track is out of action so block bookings have been made until the 28th June. A decision will be required as to whether to extend the booking once progress has been clarified at a meeting with the Council on Friday 17th June.  **Membership**  TW confirmed that he is chasing up any outstanding road running payments. CQ advised that payments received are about £3k short of budget at £32k but additional memberships are expected in September.  IB highlighted the successful performances being seen across the Club within all age groups and disciplines. This led to a discussion about the number of members who are not competing for the Club and how some competitions are showing disappointing numbers.  **Competition Matters**  The Committee heard about the great success of the Hampshire Hoppit and the impact of the work of the Committee and volunteers.  **Action**: LH to write formally to the HH committee thanking committee and volunteers for their hard work |
| 4 | **DECISIONS AND UPDATES**  **Stand Update (Rolling item)**  Things have been slow due to holidays, Quotes have been forwarded to Ben and he has been asked for feedback on value for money. FE arranged a zoom call with FE, IB and Ben where it was agreed quotes were good but like for like quotes should be sought as the ones presented were for different sizes. Further discussion will take place on Friday 17th with the Council to agree timescales and determine what funds are available for the base pad, which may be able to be bigger than expected. Discussion also to take place on whether services should not be connected from underneath but rather from the back as suggested by Ben. It is hoped to get more information at the meeting on Friday about the photo finish and the time needed for the track curing.  **EA awards**  In referring to the reports, it was agreed that AH should send the link to all members allowing them to make nominations for EA awards.  **Care for Calais**  It was agreed that any spare trainers and sports kit, in the Cabin, can be donated to this cause. Donations will be collected at the Club on a Tuesday and Thursday of a chosen week. LH and AH to confirm their preferred date. ACO offered to assist in collecting donations on the agreed dates.  **Vets League Second Claim Membership**  It was agreed that it would be a good goal to aim to introduce this at the next AGM but it will require further consideration. This relates to a specific new class of membership for competition only and would apply only to the Vets League.  **Action**: ACO to add to the tracker for discussion at a later date.  **Track and Field Novices Group**  It was agreed that, too, requires further discussion  **Action:** LH to check whether the new Constitution allows for members to be on the track without a coach  **Athlete Support Policy**  A question has been raised about the athletes going to the National Championships and what support the Club is able to provide. The Committee discussed this at length and agreed that only first claim athletes could claim financial support.  For this championship it was agreed that £0.20p a mile, car sharing would be encouraged and hotel contribution would be capped at £50 per room.  The attendees noted that the budget is not without end and there needs to be further consideration of what the budget can support for athletes and coaches. There may need to be discussions on whether the budget is large enough balanced against the increasing number of athletes who may want to seek assistance. It was noted that the needs of all members should be factored into discussions on potential increase to this budget.  **Hardship**  LH presented a case for support from the hardship fund whilst maintaining confidentiality. The intention to provide support was agreed and this will be taken forward for further discussion with the welfare officer. |
| 5 | **AOB**  TW reported that entry numbers were down for the Hoppit and a loss was made. This was despite mitigating costs and taking an additional £1k on the day from entries and t-shirt sales. Caroline Wegg will produce a report to explain the final numbers.  Tim Fowler is considering ways of encouraging local clubs to support each other when arranging and running events.  Ideas were proposed for how potential grants from England Athletics could be spent. Further ideas can be shared with AH.  Hampshire Cross Country – KL explained that both Bracknell and Windsor, Slough & Eton have requested to join the league. The capacity of venues for the League, in particular Popham, are too small to cater for additional clubs so their request has been turned down.  Lisa Hedderly has offered to co-ordinate athletic events across Basingstoke schools to ensure that Club athletes are being invited to events including trials. This is a liaison type role and she is already in contact with the Hampshire co-ordinator. |
| 6 | **Date of next meeting**  Monday 4th July 2022 |