

LONDON TRAMPOLINING (edited)

Minutes of a Meeting of the London Trampoline Committee on Wednesday, 14th April 2010, in Pinner, Middlesex.

The meeting commenced at 7.55 pm.

Present:

John Wotherspoon (JW), Maxine O'Reilly (MOR), Sabrina Dunn (SB), Jan Harley (JH), Niki Sehmi (NS), Andrew Wood (AW), Linda Lawrie (LL), Marian Wood (MW) and Chris Geary (CG).

1. Apologies for absence: None.

2. Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, 10th February 2010 were received and confirmed.

3. Matters arising on the Minutes:

3.1 3.2 JW is still waiting for John Ransley to get back to him.

Action: JW

3.2 3.11 17.4 is still ongoing.

Action: AW, JW

3.3 LL has sent details to Liz Awde.

3.4 The Rohan Nichol Memorial Trophy has been sourced and obtained.

3.5 JW wrote to Wayne Smith. English Championships is an agenda item to be discussed this evening.

3.6 7.1 Completed.

3.7 9.3 AW has dealt with this

3.8 13.1 JW has circulated his forward planning document to Committee Members for their attention and any suggestions they wish to add.

3.9 15.2 AW to complete.

Action: AW

4. Standing Business – Officer Reports

4.1 Chairman's Report

4.1.1 MW attended the Joint Technical Committee meeting

- Sport England have appointed two Regional Development Officers for London – John Ransley (South Thames) and Jess Cappelli (North Thames). It is hoped that they will be in post for as long as the money is available. They will be called County Officers.
- The LGF logo has changed and will now be known as London Gymnastics.

4.1.2 British Gymnastics/LGF Business

- LGF accounts had been received.
- Honorariums were discussed and agreed.
- JW to circulate LGF minutes to all members of the London Trampoline Committee.

Action: JW

4.2 Secretary's Report: MOR had nothing to report.

4.3 Competitions

4.3.1 LL circulated a report prior to the meeting:

The March competition was well supported. There were some who commented about the judging and lack of people qualifying up the grades.

Programmes: As agreed at the last meeting, there were no programmes for sale at the event. The programme was put on the website and emailed to participating clubs about 4 days before the event. I had one very positive comment about this and no negative ones.

Catering: I received a couple of comments saying that it would be a good idea to list what the sandwiches and wraps are filled with. One person has a food intolerance and is therefore unable to just try things.

4.3.1 It was agreed that the question of the Catering should be addressed at the next competition.

4.4 Squad

4.4.1 NS circulated the following report at the meeting:

May Squad

- Saturday 8 May at Harlington with Donna and Steve Grist
- Clubs taking part: Queensmead, Harlington, Camden and Zenith.
- Coaches taking part: John Wotherspoon, Jenny Emerson, Marian Wood, Carrie-Ann Williamson.
- Judges taking part: Linda Lawrie.

July Squad

- Is booked for Sunday 4 July, 1.30-5.30 at Furzefield Centre in Potters Bar (Zenith's training venue).
- It is currently aimed at those that will be competing at National Finals, though depending on how May's squad runs, it might be altered to lower levels; this is TBC.

September Squad

- Is booked for Saturday 25 September 1.30-5.30 at Harlington.
- It is currently aimed at Regional D and E though may include F.

Future Planning

- I will be standing down from this position at the AGM.
- The last session I organise will be September.

4.4.1 JW has asked NS to reconsider her decision to stand down at the end of the year. The committee gave a vote of thanks to NS for what she has achieved so far.

4.5 DMT

4.5.1 LL circulated a report prior to the meeting.

The DMT sessions are running although not always full.

I do not wish to stand for the DMT Development post at the AGM. I am happy to coach at London sessions but do not want to actively try to develop the sport within the region.

4.5.1 It was agreed that a notice advising of the vacancy should be put into the next newsletter, together with the job description.

Action: LL, AW

4.6 Judging

4.6.1 LL circulated a report prior to the meeting.

Club Judge 13th & 29th February – This had 7 applicants and all passed

County Judge 10th & 17th April – this has been cancelled as there was only 1 applicant

Club Judge 19th & 26th June – this has 4 applicants so far

No further courses have been set up as yet.

4.6.2 LL advised that courses were not going particularly well at the moment. She felt she would need to try to plan a little further ahead.

Action: LL

4.7 Coaching Courses

4.7.1 JH circulated a report prior to the meeting:

I had a meeting with Liz Awde last Wednesday to discuss how we might work together in the future.

We decided to run a level 2 course over the summer at Kingston and are hoping that Tony Roberts will take it but the dates have yet to be finalised. We also decided to run a level 1 course starting in September so the exam could be before Christmas. However, I am having the usual problem with the availability of the tutors and dates clashing with AGMs and tutor conferences etc, so it looks like it might be more like October with the exam in January. I am speaking to both Tony and Robin to see who is available to take the course but I am hoping to take the course myself so I can get assessed and accredited as a level 1 tutor. However, this means that both of us have to be available on the dates we agree and it doesn't help that Tony has never done a generic day so wants Robin to take that day!!!

Liz said that if we can get a venue for £50 per day that she will give us some money back and with 12 candidates on the course this would be £40 each. However, she said that the money could only go back to the candidates and not to London Trampolining.

She said we could continue to run the level 0 courses ourselves but that we would need to let her have the information and dates so she could publicise the information and we would have to register the course through her to BG.

She said she charges £50 for affiliated club members and £55 for non. The tutors MUST get paid £30 per hour. £15 per candidate goes to BG. She said she charges £5 admin fee per candidate and suggested we did the same.

We can continue to run teachers courses independently.

The Tutors training courses for May and September have been booked and confirmed.

Overall, it was a very positive meeting and I think we can work well together in the future.

4.7.2 A matter was discussed.

4.7.3 If we can benefit young coaches, so much the better.

4.7.4 We need to liaise with Liz Awde.

Action: JH

4.8 News and Communications

4.8.1 AW circulated a report prior to the meeting:

News Letter

I would like to suggest merging the news letter and program together and making it fully accessible via email and from the web?

Printers & My Patience

The printers that we currently have I am afraid to say are on their way out. However I will use them until the toner cartridges are used up.

I would like to propose that we thinking about getting them replaced. However instead of buying 2 smaller cheaper laser printers; buy one faster bigger printer that will last. This wont be cheap... we are looking in the £250.00 - £300.00 for one.

Swescore Course

I set a course up for Saturday 10th April 2010, I emailed it out, posted it online and put it in the news letter and.... no one has signed up.

I might have to think of a way of making this more accessible over the net. As that I feel is the major set back is the location of the course.

Maidenhead Competition

As I promised to Mike, I ran the scoring system for his friendly competition. He was impressed how quickly and how easy it is manage. He is now possibly looking at hiring the system for his synchro comp later in the year.

A Box

Can I have permission to buy a plastic storage box to put all my random loose computer stuff in for competitions? I am currently using a cardboard box which is falling to bits.

4.8.2 It was agreed that AW could buy the plastic box needed but he was advised that he did not need the Committee's permission for the spend as agreed at a previous Committee meeting.

Action: AW

4.8.3 Another Swescore Course should be set up before the summer holidays.

Action: AW

4.8.4 It was agreed to print less newsletters and send it together with the competition programme via email.

Action: AW

4.9 Annual Budgets and Finance

4.9.1 SD had circulated the monthly report prior to the meeting.

4.9.1 The Committee requested that only the current year's finances be circulated on a monthly basis.

Action: SD

5. **Special Orders (to include Committee issues and issues from London Clubs)**

None.

6. Unfinished Business and General Orders

None.

7. New Business

7.1 Forward Planning

JW previously circulated a first draft with his own thoughts and requested that Committee members read and make their own comments on the draft.

**Action: All
Committee**

7.2 English Championships

7.2.1 The Committee had previously decided not to send a team to the competition this year, if there were insufficient changes to the previous format.

7.2.2 An email had been received from Sarah Silvester expressing her interest in this year's competition. It was agreed that JW should contact Sarah to discuss.

Action: JW

7.2.3 We need to decide whether it would be in the best interests of London Trampoline to attend or not.

7.2.4 Should we decide to send a team, the scores obtained in the June Cup may be taken into account.

It was proposed by JW, seconded by LL, and agreed unanimously by the Committee that the door should be left open to attending this year's English Championships, pending discussions between JW and Sarah Silvester. The Committee would meet at the next Squad Meeting on 8th May to make a final decision.

**Action: All
Committee**

8. Any Other Business

8.1 The purchase of a new printer was agreed. A budget of £300 was confirmed.

Action: AW

8.2 Anne McNeil has accepted an invitation to attend the June Cup competition. She hopes to attend on both days. It is expected that the full Committee will be at the competition and it is hoped that Anne may make some of the presentations over the two days. Any suggestions regarding Anne's participation to be sent to LL via email.

8.3 Some of JW's GCSE candidates wish to make a DVD showing the processes of trampolining competition over the next couple of competitions. The Committee expressed their agreement to the suggestion.

9. Date of the Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Wednesday, 23rd June 2010, at 7.30 pm in Cheshunt. Agenda item: DMT Development Officer.

The date of the AGM was confirmed as Wednesday, 1st September 2010, at 7.30 pm at Harlington.

The meeting closed at 9.45 pm.