



TABLE TENNIS WALES

Minutes of TTW Board Meeting 14th July 2022 via “Teams”

Present- Nicki Arthur (NA), Peter Francis (PF), Mostyn Lewis (ML), Owen Rodgers (OR), Andrew Thomas (AT), Steve Heydon (SH), Ben Rose (BR), Neil OConnell (NOC), Dennis Bromage (DB),

Apologies - Ben Stirling (BS), Susie Osbourne (SO).

NA opened the meeting welcomed all present and introduced the new TTW CEO Owen Rodgers.

Action Points – NOC confirmed that the action points from the previous meeting had been completed.

Declarations of Interest – NOC confirmed that he had received no declarations of interest.

Financial Update – AT had previously circulated his notes on the current budget situation. He confirmed that following the adoption of the new articles, there were no other governance issues that would prevent Sport Wales funding. This was confirmed, so now TTW can revert back to the operational budget.

AP1.- Meeting of the Finance sub group with OR to be convened in next 2 weeks.

AT outlined the situation where a TTW coach had to use his own credit card to pay TTW expenses. He recommended that he order 3 new cards to prevent this reoccurring (it would take up to 3 months to obtain the cards).

The meeting decided to follow the recommendation, OR to retain the cards and not issued until guidelines on their use had been drawn up.

AT reported that TTW was in a good cash position, due to recent financial prudence over the funding threat regarding the articles. He recommended proceeding with the Swansea Project on the basis suggested.

BR also reminded the meeting of the Merthyr Project and development funding for Simon Oyler which could now proceed.

Byelaws – PF reported on the inaugural meeting of the Byelaws sub group. It was attended by PF, ML, DB and some VMs. He stated that there were some potentially contentious and non contentious sections of the byelaws that needed to be addressed and estimated an (at least) 3 month timeline to complete.

PF requested that Simon Oyler attend the next Byelaw meeting (Thursday 21st July) to advise on the non contentious issues.



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Governance and Leadership Framework (GLF) – NA reported that she would pick this up with OR. Most bases were covered but some points needed action.

A.P. 2 – NA to set agenda and arrange a meeting.

A.P.3 – ML to circulate GLF document and action plan.

Mediation – NA reported that Neil Emberton would manage the process on behalf of Sport Wales. The Board decided whether all VMs should be included. PF suggested that OR call a meeting with VMs to gauge take up.

Strategy Goals and Objectives – NA reminded the meeting that TTW Strategy will shortly need to be renewed. OR suggested using “MENTI” which allows everyone to input ideas and identifies common themes. PF agreed that this was a good way of including the views of VMs. OR stated that he would share system with the Board.

A.P.4 – NA/OR to look at the structure

AOB – NA reported that a newsletter was being completed, there will be 1 every quarter. NA asked which directors were nearing the end of their term. NOC explained the process which TTW had used to appoint elected directors previously. The position of vice chair was discussed and it was decided that if the Chair was an appointed director, then the Vice Chair must be an elected director. PF reminded the meeting that a Communication Director was also required.

DB reported on the position regarding the TTW Charity. PF, DB and Ron Davies are currently trustees, an independent trustee is required.

BR reported on the development work of Simon Oyler and what he has planned with competitions and the calendar. The issue of non members playing in leagues was discussed. NA stated that there was a need to communicate the benefits of membership

A.P.5 – OR/Simon/Marc to meet and compose message

