



Minutes of meeting held on 04.02.16

Present: Kevin Maughan, Dave Bartlett, Ken Winchester, Mike Newlove, Ying Lee, Christine Adey, Jo Clark, Jackie Ward, Barbara Lewczynska, Cris DeGesaro, Alison Searle

		Action	Due By
1.	<p>Apologies for Absence</p> <p>David Brown, Lucy Goddard, Nick Goode, Hitesh Shah, John Stobo</p>		
2	<p>Minutes of Committee Meeting on 24.11.15</p> <p>Accepted</p>		
3	<p>Matters Arising not covered by an agenda item</p> <p>Shires League restructuring – Herts voted for status quo. Current voting 9-9 with 1 abstention. Looking like a close run thing.</p>		
4	<p>Visit by Spanish juniors to Herts</p> <p>Sub county standard; end of July – team of 2 boys & 2 girls. Suggested that the games could be run as an inter-club format tournament to be held at Birchwood.</p>		
5	<p>Centre for Herts Badminton at Birchwood</p> <p>No new information.</p>		
6	<p>Birchwood Summer Booking</p> <p>We are being asked by Birchwood to sign up to a 3 years contract. Agreed unanimously</p>	KW	
7	<p>U13 Coach</p> <p>Due to family commitments, for next season Jo doesn't want to commit to full time U13 coaching, although she is prepared to stand in occasionally. Meeting of Nick/Kelly/Mike required to organise cover. May be possible to fill in with level 1 coaches as assistants.</p>	NG/MN/KMat	
8	<p>Satellite Club Application</p> <p>Hatfield Leisure Centre is driving the application – DBa has just been notified that it has been approved.</p>		



9	<p>Junior League</p> <p>BE Junior Leagues – first round has been played with very positive feedback; Welwyn Hatfield won. Herts format is for U14 non-county players. The next 2 rounds will be held on 14th Feb & on 8th May respectively. League players permitted to wear “Herts League” on the back of shirts at finals. Thanks were again noted to John for organising this new BE initiative.</p> <p>National Finals on 11th & 12th June – JS suggestion that county trials should be 2 weeks after this date to encourage the better league players to attend – date & times to be agreed with all squad managers.</p> <p>Each district is set up as a club, so there may be a cost to affiliate players that don’t currently play at a club (expected to be a very small number). If necessary it may be possible to run this from the grant, but Matt Hammond from BE looking into whether this can be resolved.</p> <p>BE has offered Gail Emms to run a brief master class for the Junior League player – 14th February at 16:30 (event starts at 14:00).</p>	SQUAD MANAGERS	
10	<p>Finance</p> <p>All up to date apart from the recent RIO invoices.</p> <p>a. County tracksuits 17 ordered by DB at £39 each for U17. Orders required from other age groups. CA has volunteered to manage them to avoid damage/loss – to be discussed with DBr.</p> <p>b. Review of spending alternatives for this season:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sessions for younger age groups (U8 etc.) –still waiting for BE plan, so that we can align our own county focus - DBa has contacted BE. Will be presented at BE AGM in June, but then requires various discussion/agreement and won’t be finally released until Dec. • Discussed regular sessions for non-team county players. • Discussed setting up ad-hoc half day coaching sessions at Birchwood. One option is to use ex-internationals that are coaches –Suzanne Rayappan has been approached and has agreed in principle. • U18 B tournament suggested – DBa will organise. • U19 squad suggested to try and keep players once they have left the U17 squad – maybe possible to hold a session at Birchwood on available Sunday 	CA DBa BL DBa	
11	<p>Vacant Committee Positions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Player Representatives Discussed options and suggested that a player rep should be elected amongst the squad and that they would discuss ideas/suggestions with the parent representative, to bring to the committee. Has been communicated back to the initiating parent. • Vice Chair • Minute Secretary – still vacant • College Club Representative – no colleges this season but HBA trying to get colleges involved. <p>Suggestion that we should include a school teacher to provide a link with schools</p> <p>MN has prepared an email to be sent to squad parents about skills that could be useful to HSBA. To be circulated to committee prior to sending.</p>	MN	
12	<p>Child Protection Policy</p> <p>Link required to BE Policy for web site</p>	BL	



13	<p>Tournaments</p> <p>a. Closed Last one held, apart from the Primary School Tournament on 7th. Being run very efficiently by BL. Need to insist on prepayment to try to minimise late dropouts, late entries and reduce the tournament administration involved.</p> <p>b. Open 5/3/16 - next tournament is an U15 Silver. Summer tournaments – looking at running 2 in June. Try and avoid the Junior League finals.</p>		
14	<p>Website</p> <p>Graham has everything under control, with our thanks.</p>		
15	<p>Welfare Officer</p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>		
16	<p>Manager's Reports</p> <p>The U13, U15 and U17 managers' reports were received. Mike reported that some U11 players are going to the Victor JOT tournament over Easter</p>		
17	<p>HBA</p> <p>Latest newsletter circulated.</p> <p>Licence to run a leaders course held by Welwyn Hatfield runs out in September. Suggested that we should organise a leadership course for U15 players. Need to communicate to U15 and U17 players – DBa to send to details to KW.</p> <p>Herts Sports Village on 22nd March (0930 – 15:00) – several sports presenting to 240 children – children choose a sport and there is funding for 6 after schools sessions.</p> <p>17 -20 tournament 2/3rd April at York RI – details to be passed to Liz Austin, Andy Walden and DBr.</p>	DBa	
18	<p>Newsletter</p> <p>Thanks to John for the issue of the latest HBA newsletter</p>		
19	<p>A.O.B.</p> <p>Jo – U17 squad not getting friendly matches – DBr to be contacted Jackie – problems with U15 still experiencing court congestion. Jackie – thanks to all who supplied the prizes for the bowling evening</p>	KW	
20	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>Next meeting will be held on Thursday 21th April, starting at 20:00 prompt.</p>	KM	