SCBA MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING Held online on Friday 2nd June 2023

PRESENT:

Tim Warren (Chair); Trevor Hobson; Jackie Hawkins; Shirley Pritchard; Gail Norman; William Clennell; Tony Cherrett.

APOLOGIES: June Middleton

	ACTION
This meeting was called to discuss the following topics separately from the normal committee meeting.	
 What entry fees should we charge for our competitions, e.g., do we simply seek to cover our expenses, or do we try to generate surpluses? Do we reintroduce P2P from the 23-24 season, or should we wait a further year? Should we levy the full 2p, or start from 1p? Do we continue to underwrite the costs of representative teams in national events? In FY22-23, this cost us c.£1.1k. If we do this, the cost will have to come out of reserves, or we will have to achieve surpluses on county events. In addition to our funding for the Surrey Schools' Cup, do we agree to Kent's request to increase our contribution to this year's Junior Bridge Camp to £1000? In FY 22-23, our contribution was £500, but we also paid £480 as sponsorship for Will Battersby to attend the European Championships. 	
 After discussion the following decisions were taken: To reinstate the 2p UMS county rate which was suspended in 2020 to assist clubs during the pandemic. This increase will fund our continuing investment in junior bridge. Gail will contact the EBU to find out how this can be actioned. Entry fees for the Lady Rose and Leagues will be reinstated at their 2019 level i.e., £20 per team. The fee for the two-session County Pairs event next year will be £10. The county will donate £1125 to the 3 Surrey players Aman Parekh, William Battersby and Maksimilian Blicharz who are representing England at the World Junior Championships in Veldhoven the Netherlands in July. It is hoped that these players will participate in County events in the next year. It was agreed to donate £750 to the Autumn Junior Bridge Camp on 21/22nd October at Tunbridge Wells Bridge Club. This is an increase of £250 on last year's donation. 	Gail
 would confirm to the next meeting the likely cost of representative events in the current financial year. It was agreed to go ahead with the Green Point Swiss Teams event at Godstone on Saturday 23rd September. The minimum number of teams for this event is 15. 	Jackie
