



West Wales Bridge Association

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Minutes of the short Committee Meeting held at 5.00 p.m. on the 27th October 2015 at the Carmarthen Quins RFC

Members present:

Beryl Warner (Hav); Judith Graham-Jones (Hav); Jennifer Wardell (Secretary); Bob Alderdice (Chairman); Frances Williams (Llandybie); Tony Hawort(Porthcawl); Irene Delahunty(Tenby); Rosemund Nelson(Carmarthen); Rory Gibbons (Port Talbot); Irene Thomas (Bridgend); Teresa Griffiths (Bridgend); Tony Disley (Swansea); Chris Overton (A.T.O.)

Apologies for absence:

Keith Davison, Steve Burgoyne, David Newman, John Jamieson, Geoff & Julia Griffiths, Cindy Middleton

Before the start of the business of the meeting:

- BA welcomed the people who were representing their clubs at the committee for the first time, namely Teresa G, Rory G and Tony D
- BA reported that he had been told that Gareth Jones' operation had gone very well on the previous Saturday.

1. Minutes of meeting held on 7th July 2015

The minutes of this meeting were approved.

2. Matters arising

No matters were raised at this stage. It was agreed that Draft minutes should be placed on website after approval by the chairman.

3. Confidentiality of Meetings

BA reminded members that discussions within a committee meeting were confidential and only the outcomes should be reported back. Some incorrect information regarding a discussion in the July meeting had reached a Club member causing unnecessary upset to that person.

4. WBU Presidency

- Following Gareth's resignation as President due to ill health the WWBA had been asked to nominate another President for the rest of the year.
- It was proposed by BW, seconded by FW, and unanimously accepted by the Committee that JGJ should take over.
- BA would have informal discussion with the North as to whether Judith's Presidency should extend into next year.

5. Area Competitions 2015-16

- Good start to the season with both Men's and Ladies' Finals running for the first time in several years(3.5 and 5 tables respectively)
- Vince Bevan ran with 12 tables
- Committee members to encourage more people to play in events. Effort needed in Swansea in particular where only small percentage of membership play.
- Still looking for Hall for 17th Jan. JW/BA investigating.
- Lunch will now be provided for Mixed Pairs.
- TH prepared to help train directors. This year he is prepared to set up and score but next year directors should manage on their own.
- David Newman and Kim did good job of directing the first two events. It was their first time at Area level.
- Area needs new laptop. CO/TH to determine what is needed.

6. Teams League 2015-16

- Western Area Teams League running this year with 7 teams in Championship and 6 in First Division.
- 1 team had been promoted to Premier League and 1 team promoted from Division 1 to Championship.
- Tumble booked for matches on 1st November and 28th February

7. Porthcawl Congress 2015

Committee members asked to promote the Congress at their clubs, in particular the Novice and Social Pairs for players with less than 25MP

8. Perry/ Spickett/President's Cup at Tumble 2016

A sub committee comprising BA, JW, CO and Eleanor Price was set up to organise this event.

9. Wexford Congress 2016

No Celtic Congress in Fishguard in 2016 but it is hoped that several people will travel to Wexford as last year.

10. AOB

- BA had drawn up a questionnaire for clubs on the expectations of the MC
- TH had 2 places left on next TD course
- TH pointed out that existing users now have to pay for updates to JS scoring programme