

## **Somerset County Bridge Association**

**Woolavington on 13<sup>th</sup> march 2015**

Present: Gina Howard ( Chairman), Joe Patrick, Sheila Coda, Tony Russ, Caroline MacPherson, Ken and Ann Bawdon, Eric Cummings

**Apologies:** M. Whittaker

Minutes of the last meeting were approved

### **Matters Arising**

1. EC to produce an appropriate club questionnaire as a precursor for a 5 year plan **action EC**
2. County league. The new rules were accepted by the committee and GH would circulate to the committee **action GH**
3. The SCBA has received in writing the go ahead for the West of England Congress for this year.
4. The draft timetable of events to be tabled at the next meeting **action MW**
5. Chair trolley for Woolavington was needed. GH will approach their committee on the basis SCBA would purchase and store it at Woolavington who would have the use of it if required. **action GH**

### **First for bridge Sponsorship**

It was agreed MW would approach FFB with proposals drawn up by TR based on the committees discussion aimed at education ( café bridge) **action TR**

### **Treasurers report**

There will be a balance between competition costs and income.

It is preferable for clubs to pay by cheque or online next year

### **Selection Report**

There was a problem in the Counties of players not being enthusiastic for the Western league - the "A" teams in particular. There was no answer at this stage. TR will keep the committee informed of developments. **Action TR**

The committee agreed TR should continue as chairman of the selection sub committee.

### **Education Report**

The seminars run by Paul Bowyer had “died a death”. It was agreed not to offer next year but leave until 2017.

### **Tournament Secretary’s report**

Calendar of events too bunched . Also should be more scope for novices. CM to prepare proposals for consideration. In the mean time committee members should send CM any ideas they may have to be included. **action CM**

### **Chairmans report**

The County working groups appear to be fading. The western has ceased to meet.

The benefits for affiliated clubs to be circulated to the committee **action GH**

### **AOB**

The Michael Coda event to be arranged so that it does not clash with the schools half term **action AB**

There was only one Australian M/C for duplimating boards. The SCBA needs cover for the M/C so will help fund if a club buys an Australian M/C

Date and venue for the next meeting will be **29<sup>th</sup> May 2015 at the house of GH**