



Pétanque England Board Meeting – June 17th 2023 at Connaught Rooms Holborn

Present: CR, CB, TSW, JE, MH, RKR

Minute taker LW

Apologies: KM

LW acting as temporary secretary. LW was asked to leave the room whilst The Board considered her permanent appointment to The Board. The Board agreed it would be prudent to advertise the post on Sport 80 with the appropriate person specification and job description along with other specific vacancies to be decided. **Agreed.**

Presently there are only 2 board appointees and 6 members' appointees.

Potential posts could include:

- Marketing and Promotions
- Sponsorship
- Sport development
- Representative of elite players

Minutes approval

Deferred until later in the day.

Financials and Budgets year ending March 23

Review presented by CB to send to auditors.

Analysis of competition expenses – shirts etc

Consideration was given to the possibility of the need for payments of VAT and Corporation tax in the future.

MH to pursue charitable status. **Agreed.**

Members legacy suggested as another revenue stream.

Budget proposals 23/24 to be finalised.

MH thanks to Carey, TSW seconded. **Agreed.**

Multi-tiered announcement

TSW proposal to launch on Monday June 19th through Sport 80 amended by the board to July 1st.

No retrospective data is kept by Sport 80 which could present potential issues.



TSW introduced a document of regions and contact details.
Need for clarification of those eligible for the reduced £10 membership and its limitations.
Suggested this be done through a 'frequently asked questions' section. Board members to send in suggestions or other questions.

Marketing budget

TSW presented a draft budget for discussion. CB confirmed there is money available from the Development Fund.

Pétanque England need for business account to run through Facebook.

Suggested marketing strategies to include banners, plaques for each club, reward for introductions.

Need for control of PE Logo. **Recognised.**

Minutes Approval

April 26th Minutes

Proposed JE.

Seconded CB.

Approved.

Actions completed.

May 23rd Minutes CONFIDENTIAL

This issue was not minuted due to its confidential nature.

Matters arising

Discussion re complaints/discipline policy and procedures and inconsistencies causing problems.

MH expressed the view that it is not for the Board or PE's Resolutions process to take a stance on matters relating to alleged libel. This is a matter for civil proceedings and not a sport National Governing Body.

MH felt that investigations should be Independent of The Board. **Noted.**

Minutes Approved

Actions outstanding.

CR to follow up with KM (confidential).

Mike Pegg and TSW to review Discipline and Complaints policy with KM.



Events, UK and International

JE outlined forthcoming events and progress.

CR suggested that team kit for Home Nations include baseball caps for the top teams, each nation a different colour. **Noted.**

National Championships Ferndown generally a success but there is a need to consider other ways of organising the shooting event.

The Veterans are 11 teams down on last year. MH suggested that incentives and subsidised events work well, not just top prize. Coach will be Ian Barnes. There is a need to review runners up prizes.

Coming events including inter regionals – rules updated. Fines to be imposed on squads not having managers. TSW suggested this be put on the website and in a newsletter. **Agreed.**

Need to promote the new Juniors Championships July 1st at Oxshott. JE to email members to get more entries. **Agreed.**

RKR raised his concerns over the need for more recognition of winners. Lack of an audience at prize presentations is disappointing. **Noted.**

The Chair of Events reported that in comparison with last year at this point, the level of entries for the Inter-Regionals appears to be about the same.

No further details on the women's world championships in Thailand.

CEP – PE umpire approval

2 umpires invited to assist European umpires and take international exams. John Edmondson & Gareth Sullivan **Approved.**

PART B CONFIDENTIAL

The Board also discussed other confidential issues.

Meeting closed 4.40pm