

**WORCESTERSHIRE COUNTY TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION**  
**Minutes of a Meeting of the Executive Committee**  
**Held on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

**Present:** Richard Cullis (Chairman)  
Bernie Leech (Deputy Chairman/Bromsgrove & Redditch)  
Martin Clark (Treasurer/National Councillor)  
John Stalker (Press Officer/Kidderminster)  
Graham Collier (Malvern) Janet Hunt (Worcester)  
Maggie Shearwood (General Secretary)

**Apologies:** Luke Moffat, Mark Nicholls, Nigel Anson

**Opening remarks:**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked Bernie for his hospitality.

**21. Minutes of the last Meeting**

The Minutes were signed as a true record of the meeting.

**22. Matters arising**

Having examined the rules it was determined that the executive committee consists of the officers, the national councillor, representatives appointed by each local league and co-opted members that the officers determine have a specific role. Consequently it was determined that the rules do not give rise to appoint the President on to the committee. However it was decided that the Secretary should continue to send a copy of the Minutes to the President as a matter of courtesy.

**23. Secretary's business**

There was none.

**24. Treasurer's report**

**Income**

Since the last meeting we have received Affiliation fees from Kidderminster, Malvern, Worcester and Dudley. Nothing yet from Bromsgrove & Redditch or Evesham.

Dudley have paid a £20 fine for not sending a representative to the first Committee meeting.

We received £4.25 from TTE which was for pooled expenses from County Championships held in Birmingham. We then received an invoice from TTE for £4.25 for County Championship pooled expenses. It turned out that they should not have paid us, we should have paid them so Martin has paid £8.50 to TTE.

**Expenditure**

We have paid out £115 for Worcester Schools' affiliation to ESTTA. We paid £21 to Dudley for reimbursement of juniors' Affiliation fees.

Kidderminster claimed for last year's juniors and also for this year's juniors. Martin paid £104 to Andrea Holmes for 2 years juniors. Cadets played last November/Dec in County Championships so we paid £94.03 for last years pooled expenses.

Current Account	5,699.59
Business Money Manager Account	16.53
National Savings Investment Account	1,227.44
Scottish Widows Bank Account	7,355.71
<b>Total:</b>	<b>£14,299.27</b>
 Including Legacy Funds balance at	 £3,305.67

There was a discussion regarding the refund of junior and cadet's Affiliation fees. Martin does not think refunding fees encourages players to join the league. Richard Cullis suggested we pay the first year for them to enter the league. Martin would like to see something like paying for coaching sessions for juniors and cadets. It would be up to the leagues to organise this themselves maybe one visit per annum by Helen Lower. Bernie Leech suggested reducing entry fees for juniors County Closed. John Stalker thinks we should have different incentives to give to juniors. John Stalker said we need coaches willing to go into Schools.

**25. National Council** - Martin Clark

The last National Council was held on 29<sup>th</sup> September at Newport Pagnell

Chris Dangerfield became the new Chairman of National Council by election. The layout was changed to sitting in a semicircle. Some of the Board were present. The meeting was split into 2 parts, a morning and an afternoon session. The morning session was spent looking at the reports from the Board. Two new steering groups have been set up. One called MAG and the other Voting reviews.

The issue of financial reporting was a source of negative debate. A statement was read out based on the panels' recommendations. National Council has no need to see the reports. A speech was given by Pete Charters on performance and talent development.

It was suggested that the next meeting be on 24<sup>th</sup> November but the Board have rejected this as they are not prepared to pay for a meeting in November.

It was decided that National Council set up a sub group to make financial reporting recommendations to the Board. This would be Martin Clark, Neil Hurford plus one other.

Martin thinks that the Boards' view is that National Council has no place anymore.

**26. Cadet and Junior rankings** - Bernie Leech for Nigel Anson

Nigel Anson is definitely going to keep running cadet and junior teams. He had trials in September. Cadets played first day on 20<sup>th</sup> October. The second day is 15<sup>th</sup> December.

Juniors 1<sup>st</sup> day is 3<sup>rd</sup> November and second day is 6<sup>th</sup> April. He is prepared to keep all teams going. John Stalker has been asked to be Umpire on 3<sup>rd</sup> November at Draycot.

**27. Senior Veterans rankings** - John Stalker

**Mens' over 60's**

1. Pat McCabe
2. Chris Maiden
3. Eric Hardman
4. Tony Bartram
5. Ken Walton - Note: He has now retired from playing.

**Women over 60's**

1. Margaret Dignum
2. Janet Hodgetts
3. Lynda Reid
4. Janet Hunt

**Mens' seniors**

1. Adam Nutland
2. Jason Thompson
3. Svilen Andreev
4. Steve Horton
5. Lee Horton
6. Jamie Cartwright
7. Alex Grokhotov
8. Tom Savery
9. Chris Hewitt
10. Luke Moffat
11. Eric Hardman
12. Mark Fiddian
13. Mark Brookes
14. Wayne Chopping

**Womens' seniors**

1. Mandy Sylvester
2. Ella Parry-Reece
3. Barbara Szeligowska
4. Laura Horton
5. Beth Roberts
6. Gemma McKay
7. Margaret Dignum
8. Georgina Credland
9. Sue Horton

10. Janet Hunt
11. Lyn Davies

#### **Mens' Veterans**

1. Jason Thompson
2. Lee Horton
3. Steve Horton
4. Chris Hewitt
5. David Rogers
6. Stephane Bonnafous
7. Eric Hardman
8. Mark Fiddian
9. Wayne Chopping
10. Ken Walton - Now retired
11. Pat McCabe
12. Chris Maiden
13. Ray Dixon
14. John Collymore

#### **Womens' Veterans**

1. Mandy Sylvester
2. Margaret Dignum
3. Janet Hodgetts
4. Sue Horton
5. Lynda Reid
6. Janet Hunt
7. Lyn Davies

#### **28. Junior Closed Championships - Bernie Leech for Nigel Anson**

Nigel Anson is not going to run the junior Closed Championships anymore. Luke Moffat is prepared to take over and is prepared to run them at Warwick House but he hasn't got a date yet.

#### **29. Senior Closed Championships - Bernie Leech**

Bernie enquired about the possibility of running this at Warwick House on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2019 as a provisional date. Bernie to get in touch with Luke Moffat regarding the date. There would be a cost of £60 for Warwick House. It was agreed to try this venue.

Bernie said Luke offered to put the Interleague on at Warwick House on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2019. John Stalker to put both tournaments on the website. Entry fees will remain the same.

#### **30. League strengths**

Bromsgrove & Redditch	27 teams
Worcester	25 teams
Dudley	17 teams

Kidderminster	21 teams
Malvern	34 teams
Evesham	20 teams

**31. Development**

No report from Nigel.

Luke Moffat has asked if we want to move elite training to Warwick House. Bernie to have a chat with Nigel Anson.

**32. Communications/website - John Stalker**

There was discussion about what will happen regarding 365.com. Martin Clark thinks the TTE Board will provide something else for this facility. Chris Dangerfield may be able to provide 365 to the leagues for a small charge.

**33. Any other reports**

There was none.

**34. Any other business**

Bernie Leech to ask Nigel Anson about the badges for Steve Dorrell.

**35. Date of next meeting**

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2019**

**Chairman called the meeting closed at 9.30 pm.**

**Signed.....**

**Date.....**