

SOUTH WEST VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Executive meeting held at Poole Sports Centre on January 10th 1981 at 10.30 a.m.

There were present

Messrs	R Richards	Mrs S Sessions
	B Jones	Miss W Kelman
	R Insley	
	B Williams	
	J Brehaut	
	N Neville	
	V Pugh	
	R Abbott	

81/1 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on October 4th were agreed as a true record.

81/2 Matters Arising There were none

81/3 Apologies

Dave Kinder	George Reynolds	Eileen Pratt
Ian Cooper	Meith Nicholls.	

Miss Kelman announced that Mr Allen had resigned his post on the Executive Committee

Mr Jones introduced Mr Johnson the Secretary of the Poole Association.

81/4 Officers Reports

(a) Secretary Mr Richards reported his pleasure that there were now 74 affiliated clubs and that he hoped this figure would rise to at least 80.

(b) Officials Mr Jones reported that the course run in the area since last meeting had been successful i.e. Swindon and Guernsey.

There are definite plans for courses in Bristol (Jan 17/18) and Poole (mid Feb)

There had been complaints that referees were receiving nothing for their additional referees registration fee. Mr Jones said that his had been put right and in future more will be available.

A new rule had been prepared and would be on sale from about July with new Moscow Commentaries

Mr Jones hoped to help organise a referees association in the S.W. in the coming years. He hoped to set up a regional seminar/conference for next season - perhaps at the time of a special event - referees and coaches could be invited.

Miss Kelman to check at EVA meeting why regional share of referees fees had not been paid

Mr Jones had been selected to referee both the England & Scotland matches. Mr Jones and Mr Brehaut had been selected to referee ESVA finals.

Upgrading - Mr Brehaut had applied for upgrading to Grade 1 and Messrs Williams, Downer and Jenner had applied for upgrading to Grade 2.

(c) Competitions

The competitions committee had met and competitions seemd to be running smoothly.

Miss Kelman reported that the ladies league fixtures were up to date with the exception of those concerning Exeter University due to vacation date problems.

Mr Jones was concerned that the dates for S.W. ladies league clashed with ESVA under 16 girls training, there was sympathy but it was felt that little could be done at present O it might be possible to take account of this next season.

S.W. Senior Championships dates are now - both Men and Ladies at Whitchurch Sports Centre, Bristol on May 3rd.

(d) Junior Development

Mrs Sessions spoke about the Junior Development Camp to be held at Ridgeway School, Wroughton near Swindon on June 26/27th. Players not already involved in the Hambro tournament will be entered as course teams on the Sunday.

Agreed to approach Mr Nicholls, Mr Tingley and Mr Harvey re coaching at the camp

Mrs Sessions to establish a budget for the camp and apply to Sports Council for grant aid.

Discussion took place on the attendance of Mrs Sessions at ESVA meetings. Concern was expressed that the ESVA seemed to do little to promote development of regional schools associations.

(e) Coaching

The meeting approved the submission to the EVA Technical Commission of Arthur Mosley as Regional Coaching Administrator.

The report for the Centre of Excellence was discussed by the meeting. Support was given for the proposals put forward by Mr Nicholls re a Coaches Conference at the Commonwealth Tournament. The meeting hoped that the local committee would be kept informed of development on this.

(f) Finance

Mr Brehaut spoke of the financial position. The EVA grant had arrived and there is approximately £900 in the bank. He hoped to have approx £200 left of this when all bills were paid by the end of the season.

81/5 Grant Aid

Stroud - all clubs affiliated O £40 grant paid

Bristol / Swindon - receive money when all clubs are affiliated.

Weymouth - no representative present again - RR to write - held open to next meeting

N.Glos - had received Sports Council grant - Mr Richards reported.

81/6 Area Reports

- (a) Bristol - Mr Insley reported on progress - particularly in improved administration and increase in number of clubs at lower levels.
- (b) Poole - Mr Jones - 23 teams - all affiliated. Introductory Referees course ad been run and Grade 111 to follow. England v Scotland March 21st. Poor response to coaching course.
- (c) Stroud - Mr Pugh - well in hand - thanked S.W. for grant - difficulty of increased costs - hoped to co-operate closely with N.Glos area. Two major events to come - England V Scotland March 22nd. S.W. Finals May 31st.

81/7 Regional Plan

Requests received for the following for 1981/82

Taunton - referees and coaches courses

Poole - referees course will be organised locally

Stroud - " " " " " "

Bristol - will wait to see on response to current courses.

Mr Richards suggested that the region should run a club coaches course in 1981/82.

81/8 England v Scotland

Mr Richards reported on progress of Poole and Stroud internationals.

This matter was discussed further in the afternoon.

81/9 Commonwealth Tournament

Committee had been selected and Mr Richards felt it was a strong committee

Discussion took place on need for special events to aid publicity and for need for practice event - perhaps an international club match in July/August?

81/10 EVA Executive

Following points to be raised at meeting on 17/1/81 by Miss Kelman :-

EVA Magazine (lack of)

Poor EVA sales service.

Regional position of referees and coaches exam fee.

Cost of referees to clubs - proposed that officials should be allowed to 2nd referee matches involving their own clubs (by EVA appointment).

Discussion took place on Mr Nicholls document on Regional Associations. Mr Jones concerned over inaccuracy re Officials Commission and objected to financial control of local associations. Agreed that it was difficult to adopt common approach at this meeting - only one copy of document available - received only that morning. We would welcome an EVA regional policy document.

81/11 Dates of further meetings.

Executive - Saturday March 28th 10.30 a.m. - Bath Sports Centre.

A.G.M. - Sunday May 31st 11.00 Stratford Park Leisure Centre Stroud.

81/12 A.O.B. Newsletter items to Mr Richards by end of January.

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