

SOUTH WEST VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION.

Minutes of a SW Executive Committee meeting held at Bath Sports Centre on Saturday March 28th 1981 at 10.30 a.m.

There were present.

Miss W Kelman  
Mrs S. Sessions.

Messrs. I Davison  
I Loke  
B Jones  
R Richards  
R Insley  
G Reynolds  
B Williams  
J Spear

1. The minutes of the meeting held on January 10th 1981 at Poole Sports Centre were agreed as a true record.
2. M/A Correction -  
Mr Bullock was in attendance not Mr Johnson (Poole rep)  
Mr Williams asked the progress re Mr Nicholls letter discussed at the last meeting. Mr Richards reported that he would be providing a copy of the regional constitution and accounts and a list of officers before the next EVA Executive meeting.
3. Apologies were received from  
D. Kinder. T Fisher.  
Mr Richards read a letter from Mr Fisher concerning volleyball in Cornwall.  
Mr Jones has heard that Mr Harvey is working on volleyball development in Cornwall. He also believes that some Boys Clubs are playing there.  
Mr Reynolds hoping to spend few days in Cornwall and will attempt to contact people for us.  
The meeting was pleased to hear of these developments in Cornwall.
4. Officers Reports
  - a) Chairman Thanked the Poole and Stroud committees and Mr Richards for their work in organising the highly successful England v Scotland weekend.  
Miss Kelman presented a report on her visit to the Bath and West show Pavilion. Mr Reynolds believed that we could probably have the use of facilities for less than their suggested cost. He also suggested that the floor may not be concrete, but of some synthetic material.  
The venue had distinct possibilities for a large open tournament but probably not for a major spectator event.
  - b) Mr Richards spoke with pleasure of the fact that we now have 85 registered clubs and that approx half of the players are under the age of 20.  
Discussion took place on the registration of players in local leagues and the need for the national body to explain to players what they got for their money.  
SWVA requests that Miss Kelman asks EVA Executive to produce a simple leaflet on what EVA provides to clubs.
  - c) Treasurer Expenses for travel and postage and printing have increased a great deal from last season. Balance will depend on eventual financial results of England v Scotland.



d) Coaching - no report

e) Centre of Excellence - no report. Mr Reynolds announced that Centre would receive a grant of £1,200 as for this year. He has also offered a 50% grant for purchase of a "Spike Master" and suggested that if it was purchased it should be hired out to clubs.

f) Officials A number of courses had been run - in Swindon and Bristol. Plans were in hand for courses at Stroud and Jersey. EVA Officials Commission would like us to run an Officials Seminar for the South and South west but as it has been suggested for September we have declined and hope that an alternative and suitable time may be offered. Mr Jones will not be able to stand as S.W. Officials Secretary next season as he will have to coach his club in national league. Mr Jones asked if the SW Competitions Committee would discuss the possibility of bringing less experienced but qualified referees in SW Leagues. Mr Richards asked Mr Jones to supply him with a list of new referees which he will pass on to the SW clubs.

g) Junior Development - entries to Junior Competitions are poor :-

Under 16 boys	Under 16 girls	U 20 boys	U 20 girls
Priory	Priory	Priory	Speedwell
Speedwell	St George	Colstons	St George
Kemp Welsh	Cotham	OBC	Whitefield
OBC	Speedwell	Whitefield	
	Poole Thumpers		

Mrs Sessions urged local reps to push for entries

ESVA handbook only recently received - we did not know who our registered schools are

Mr Richards to contact SW affiliated schools re Mrs Sessions being elected constitutionally on behalf of SW schools.

Next: ESVA Executive to take place at Poole on June 27th clash with Junior Development Camp - Mr Jones to check if ESVA would change venue to Swindon

h) Competitions - Mr Richards read out Mr Kinders report. The committee was sorry to hear that Mr Kinder would resign at the next AGM.

i) on entries for competitions - agreed to push them. Agreed to avoid Spring Bank Holiday weekend in future

ii) League entry fees - fees agreed and increased deposits agreed

iii) Final tournament for league. Discussion took place - if we do not have them then presentations could take place at SW Finals Day. Proposed by Mr Jones - passed by 3 to 1.

iv) Suggested league rules were agreed.

5. Area Reports

a) Mr Insley - Bristol - good response to coaching and referees courses. Leagues well in hand. Strong county teams selected.

b) Weymouth - the league hoped to spend next season - particularly with schools. This season had seen decline in numbers. 1st division complete - 2nd division complete next week. Tournaments to be started shortly.

c) N. Glos - Jerry Spear. 8 teams in mens league and 5 in mixed. Requests for next season from a further 9 teams. Grant aid received from Sports Council. Tournament 14 / 15th June Presentation evening 18th July.



- d) Poole - Mr Jones. Good development and hoped to go into schools again next season with a league.  
Number of clubs have asked for more tournaments of low standard.  
Mr Jones raised the problem of lack of ladies leagues and teams and it was agreed to try to promote the game for ladies.  
Suggested that SW competitions committee should run a Mixed Championship - to be discussed.

6 Grant Aid

The following to be paid to the areas.

Swindon £40      Weymouth £30      Bristol £30

Concern was expressed that Weymouth had asked for grant for coaches and referees courses - which appear not to have been planned. Mr Davison hoped that the money could be used to subsidise the tournaments.  
Agreed in principle to continue this system next season. Mr Richards to publicise Sports Council Sports Development Grant Aid for any new development.

7. Planning 1980 / 81

Requirements	Weymouth	Referees
	N. Glos	Referees
		Preliminary Coaches Course /Teachers.
	Bristol	Club Coach.

Mr Richards suggested that we should subsidise an Advanced Coaches Course in the Summer Term 1982 - Agreed - Mr Richards to discuss with Mr Reynolds.

8. Junior Development Camp

Mrs Sessions reported on progress - coaches had accepted including Messrs. Tingley, Lowczynowski and Pope and we await replies from Ken Harvey and Gerry Greer.  
Grant aid applied for - Mr Reynolds agreed to grant aid and expected to be able to 75% grant once he had received a budget.

9 Bath YMCA

At this point Mr Lee of Bath YMCA arrival and discussion took place on the development of volleyball at the YMCA.  
Agreed to support this venture and follow up with Mr Lee and Mr Reynolds.

10. England v Scotland

Finance - not yet sorted out.

Event an excellent success in terms of spectators and quality of matches.  
A pity that no TV cameras at either match.

11. Dates of Future Meetings.

Sunday May <sup>31st</sup> 1981 10.30 am. AGM at Stratford Park Leisure Centre. Stroud  
date of September /October Executive meeting to be arranged at AGM