SOUTH WEST VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2006

Minutes of A.G.M held on 10th June 2006 at Priory Community School, Weston Super Mare.

1. **Welcome.** The Chairman welcomed members and stated that he hoped to go quickly through the business items and spend a reasonable amount of time on the planning item at the end of the agenda.

2. Attendance and Apologies

Present: G. Pearson, R. Richards, K. Hamblin, D. Williams, M. Horseman, R. Sutherland, C Pearson, G Burton, P Locke, J Ward, P Gaze, S Brennand, J Brinck, M.Halse, T Smith, H Muller,

Apologies: D Robson, A. Worrall, R. Morten, D. Dingle, V Francis, R Pankhurst, S Lewis, D. Austin, G Allen, N Claire, S Pierce, M Burgess, P Adamson, S Powell, T Stocks, K Lewis, B Squires, E Carroll, S Price, B Wright, P Reed, E Nachtigall, S Spurlock.

3. Minutes & Matters arising

Minutes of A.G.M held on 12th June 2005 were approved. Post protectors purchased and in use.

Minutes of the SW Executive Meeting on January 21st, 2006 were approved. Negotiations with Wellington School have not progressed – sockets not yet in - concern expressed at waste of officers time. Agreed not to push this and leave it to Wellington to make the effort. RR to write to inform them of this.

4. Reports.

Written Reports were circulated in advance from the following officers:

- **4(a) Chairman.** Apologies from GP that he did not mention Sue Pierce's EVA Coach of the Year award or the success of the Wessex Women in NVL Division 1.
- **4(b)Secretary.** Recent EVA affiliation figures to follow.
- **4(c)Treasurer.** JW thanked officers for their help, though he urged them to pass in claim forms early. SW Championships costs will be higher this year, but more volleyball was played.
- **4(d)Competitions.** Some concern expressed at the number of matches not played in the Men's SW League.
- **4(e)Coaching.** No report received. Concern that we did not have a Coaching Secretary to administer this work. PL suggested the organisation of some

weekend suggestions with guest coaches and offered to arrange this. Very successful Level 1 course offered by City of Bristol earlier in the year.

4(f) Officials. GS congratulated Wiltshire on their officials development programmes – at all levels. Yeovil would like Level 1 course.

4(g)Junior Development. RS visited Richard Huish College who are building an Air Dome and will work in partnership with SWVA. It will be used for SW Girls Squads – including possible U19 squad. They are looking for a coach for their U19 boys squad. Next season's Grand Prix series will start with a refereeing event.

4(h)Junior Squads. Girls squads went well, though a great shame that Paul Reed had to give up his involvement after 7 years. Thanks were expressed to Paul for his help. PL hopes to organise an U19 squad this season. GS asked if there was an equity issue without a similar boys squad. Agreed that we should plan forward for a similar boys squad, but that it could not be organised in the short term.

- **4(i) Womens Development** No report received.
- **4(j) EVA Regional Commission Representative.** Report tabled on the day. GS concerned that some teams entering the EVA Cup are forfeiting the first round and going into 2nd tier cup. He will raise this with the EVA Competitions Commission.
- **4(k) Beach Volleyball** junior beach volleyball calendar available on the day.

4(m)Area Associations

Cornwall – report received

Gloucestershire – report received

Poole - report received

Plymouth – report received

Wiltshire – report received

GS thanked the areas for their thorough reports.

5. Election of Officers. 2005/6.

Chairman: Graham Pearson Officials: Andy Worrall.

Vice Chair: Henk Muller Coaching: Gary Burton

Secretary: Ron Richards. Junior Devel': Ros Sutherland

Treasurer: Jonathan Ward. Womens Devel': vacant

Competitions: Kevin Hamblin.

E.V.A.Rep.: Deryck Williams. Child Protection: Cheryl Pearson

Beach Volleyball: Mike Halse (senior) Tracey Smith (junior) Executive Members: Richard Morten, Tim Clifford, and Dave Robson.

- **6 Urgent Planning Items**
- a) Competitions. Vets September 10th, Bath Sports Centre. SW Championships May 12/13 Plymouth. SW League forms out soon, possible new entries. Possible Jersey Men entry home games played at Weymouth, unless 2 teams would be willing to go to Jersey for a weekend.
- **b) Junior Development.** SW Junior Dates Oct 14 GP, Nov 11 GP, Dec 9 GP, Jan 27 GP, Feb 3 (U15/17) Kitto, Feb 10 (SW Minis / GP event), Mar 24 GP.
- c) Junior Squads RS needs additional staff for boys squads.
- d) Coaching Dan Dingle offered to run Level 1 courses. Level 2 Coaching course being offered in Plymouth in June / July. RS can also take Level 1 courses.
- e) **Refereeing** Dan Dingle offered to run Grade 4 courses. Richard Morten nominated for Bert Williams Award.
- **f) Beach** MH July 9th 4's and Juniors at Exmouth, July 23rd pairs at Exmouth, SW Champs at Exmouth Sept 3rd. TS provided list of dates in her report. Suggested that events be better coordinated to avoid clashes.
- 7 **Development Plan.** Regional Development Plan template received from EVA. Members split into groups to discuss the various sections of the template. Sections to be emailed to RR by end of June for distribution (please add group members names and email addresses).

8. Dates of Meetings 2006/7.

Executive: Saturday September 23rd or 30th (depending on date of EVA

Regional Squads meeting) Saturday January 20th

A.G.M: Saturday June 9th.