

South Yorkshire Athletics Network Meeting

24 September

2012

6.30-8.45pm

Athlete Lounge
English Institute of
Sport Sheffield

Attendees

Steve Gaines (SG - RH&AC & RADG)
Stuart Rogers (SR . SYS/ SYAN Secretary)
Peter Moore (PM - Coach sub group)
Marion Harrison (MH . Barnsley AC)
Kevin Doyle (KD - Kimberworth)
Terry Bailey (TB . County Officials Sec, SYCAA)
Les Outwin (LO - SYCAA)
Heidi Bradley (HB . EA CCSO)
Mike Theobald (MT . HH)
John Howley (JH . City of Sheffield AC)
Shaun Herd (SH . City of Sheffield AC)
Heidi Bradley (HB . EA CCSO)
Mike Theobald (MT . HH)
Barry Barnes (BB . Doncaster AC)
Mark Hudson (MHu . Doncaster AC)
Kevin Thomas (KT . Rotherham Harriers/SYAN Treasurer)

Action Points

| Agenda item: | 1. Welcome & Introductions | Presenter: | SG |
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SG welcomed everyone to the meeting.

| Agenda item: | 2. Apologies, Previous Mins & Matters Arising | Presenter: | SG |
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Apologies were passed on from:

Kev Lincoln. (KL - DAC & DADG)
Janette Tomlins (JT- Wombwell SAC & BADG)
Nick Duggan (ND . SRC)
Mark Benton

The minutes and action points from the previous meeting were accepted as a true and accurate record.

Matters Arising:

1. ND to speak to Kelly Riley regarding 321 routes in Sheffield.
2. Cusworth Hall in Doncaster has been identified as a possible 321 route.
3. Sheffield Athletics Development Meeting has moved to the 1st November 2012.

| Agenda item: | 3. Year 2 Plan and Finance | Presenter: | SG/SR |
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SG provided an overview of the completion of the Year 2 plan which finished on 31st September. SG also stated that the capacity of the network without Ashley should not be a problem but all clubs will need to take a more active role in the network and network projects.

SR conducted the reconciliation and has had it agreed by Alex Copeland at England Athletics. There was an underspend of £7121 which will be carried over to Year 3. SR confirmed that all Network finance has been spent.

ACTIONS:

- SR to circulate the Year 2 finance reconciliation with the action points.

Agenda item: 4. Network Structure & Officer Roles Presenter: SG

SG confirmed to the group that there is now a full committee, Kevin Thomas as Treasurer and Stuart Rogers as Secretary. Along with the dissolution clause, this enables the SYAN to be able to secure the Year 3 funding from England Athletics.

SG also confirmed that to support the Network, Jade Allen who is studying at High Melton College is looking to conduct a min of 80hrs (likely to be more hrs) with the network to support on projects etc. There are also relationships developing with Sheffield Hallam University to secure placements. There are issues around work programme and management which need to be sorted, SR also offered support from SYS.

Agenda item: 5. Year 3 Plan & Lead Roles Presenter: SG/SR

SG introduced the Year 3 Plan by saying that it had been accepted and confirmed by England Athletics via Alex Copeland and that it reflected the feedback from the clubs and the coach sub group. SR circulated the agreed Year 3 budget along with the nominated projects leads for each area. SG gave an introduction to each project line.

The Year 3 plan was not circulated in its entirety as it was 32 pages long, but would be attached to the mins electronically. There were 2 copies available at the meeting.

LO asked if any provision had been made for any placement expenses. There have not been any made although SR and SG both intimated that there is flexibility within the budget to accommodate out of pocket expenses.

LO also asked if the funding was available for all clubs, SG replied that the network was to support all clubs in SY.

Under the coach development projects:

- 60 coaches are signed up to Coachweb
- Is there are list of coaches in SY, there were some issues raised with the accuracy of Trinity (Coaches).TB commented that the Officials list was up to date on Trinity.
- PM ran through the Minimum Operating Standards and the Coach Sub Group developing an Athletics Specific poster.
- Coach Bursaries . HB stated that the number and percentage contribution could change depending on how the SYAN wanted to administrate it. Bursaries will be paid retrospectively.
- Officials will also be offered access to the first aid and safeguarding courses.
- There is an intention from the Coach Sub Group that each club will lead a CPD workshop.
- The Coach Sub Group is in a good place and set up to manage the projects effectively.

ACTIONS:

- SR to circulate the year 3 planned project titles and budgeted amounts.
- ALL . to feedback to SR on project leads and if there are any changes to be made.
- SR to circulate the Year 3 plan
- All clubs to promote Coachweb to their coaches and encourage sign-up.
- SR/SG to see if Ashley started to collect details of coaches in SY
- ALL clubs wanting to access the bursary scheme to send a list by 30th NOVEMBER detailing the coaches that have attended or are booked on a course between 1st October and 31st March 2013. (PLEASE NOTE: this will not be a guarantee of a bursary).

Agenda item: 6. Athlete Affiliation Presenter: SG

SG introduced that the item was to discuss the impact on clubs and their ability to deploy the new fees. KL has asked if a letter can be issued to England Athletics detailing some of the issues that clubs will face as a result of the affiliation increase.

Rotherham are splitting the fees 1 for clubs and 2 for Athlete Affiliation (subject to ratification at the AGM)
Hallamshire will have a flat £10 increase (subject to ratification at the AGM)
Doncaster are considering a Social Membership

Barnsley will have a flat increase across the board but it is likely to slit the club into two parts.

Main issues:

- How will it be policed
- Where will the increase in monies go?
- It will affect the number of people competing for clubs and may result in some teams not being entered.

A letter will be drafted by SG on behalf of the Network and LO on behalf of the county, which will be circulated to clubs.

ACTION:

- SG and LO to draft a letter from the network clubs to England Athletics.

**Agenda
item:**

7. AOB

Presenter: SG/SR

Hammer throwing and suitable training facilities is a massive issue and not conducive to the development of hammer throwing with young people.

ACTION . SG to raise with the new facilities development manager.

Date and time of the next meeting: 19th December 6.30pm