

## TE NW Committee Meeting Thursday

**12 Sept 2019 1900hrs Bolton Arena**

**Present:** Dave Rigby, Karen Carter, Pete Edwards, Sue Taylor, Andy Rawley, Candice Parker-Smith

**Apologies:** Oli Heald, John Tuer, Paul Ekgren

**Minutes of Last Meeting:** Previously circulated to all, summarised by DR. Approved as accurate by KC and CPS

**Matters Arising:** 5 Defibrillators have now been purchased and maintenance costs approved as acceptable and affordable.

**Officials Reports:** Chair- Nothing to Report

Vice Chair- KC asked when information for the AGM would be made available particularly a list of who would be up for re-election. There appears to be nothing in the regional constitution regarding this. The following posts were identified: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Official's Coordinator, Motorcycle Officials Coordinator, Coaching Coordinator, Junior Series Coordinator, Senior Series Coordinator, IRC Manager, Welfare/Safeguarding Officer and Sponsorship Officer. All posts need to be nominated IN WRITING to the Secretary containing name, seconder and proposer and TE membership number of the nominee. To be received by The Secretary no later than 0900hrs 30 September 2019. ACTION: OH to publicise this to all members by e-mail ASAP. KC had nothing to report regarding TE Council as she had received no information regarding meetings etc. KC stated she would chase this with TE to rectify.

Treasurer: Previously supplied to PE who read out in full. KC requested a balance sheet for each meeting so we see the state of regional finances. ACTION: JT to supply please. KC stated she had received no bank forms to become an account signatory and stated she would follow this up. DP questioned why only 4 strategic objectives were mentioned in JT's report. DR clarified these were BTF objectives of which TE had only adopted 4.

Officials Coordinator: Report previously circulated to all. ST report on trainees completing their shadows outside the region and whether it was appropriate to reimburse their expenses as previously. After discussion it was agreed that those doing so fell outside of regional Financial policy and therefore would not be reimbursed. ST there would be no LTO courses in the region in 2020 as we now had sufficient numbers. They may be 2 RTO courses run at Loughborough if there was enough interest. ST went on to state her intention not to seek re-election at AGM Having served over 10 years in the role and contributed massively to the improvement of officiating in the region she felt it was time to move on. Formal thanks from all were offered to ST for all her past work and best wishes for all her future activities.

Coaching Coordinator: Report previously circulated. Next coaches meeting subject to sufficient interest 24 Sept at Liverpool YHA or possibly a community Fire Station. Discussion took place about to generate interest in coaches meetings ie OH to email all regional TE members

Junior Series: Report previously circulated. DR provided an update regarding use of offensive/discriminatory language in a recent report by Paul Ekgren. Following advice from TE a written apology has been received from Paul. KC questioned whether Paul's brief suspension was constitutional and whether we need to apologise in turn to Paul for acting hastily and without reason. A discussion followed around the validity and composition of any "Executive Committee". It

was agreed that ALL committee members need to be kept informed and involved in decision making. It was agreed that all messages requiring a response need to be time -limited and all communication should at least be replied to as “Noted” even if not sending a reply.

IRC Manager: Report previously circulated. AR report excellent team spirit was displayed and thanks to sponsors for supplying kit.

Skills School: DP reported no activity at all for the last 18 months. CPD sessions were being developed by TE, possibly 2 or 3 in each region. Regional leads were being encouraged to deliver coaching days at a potential cost of £17 per head which may deter some from participating.

**AOB:** TE Regional awards have been circulated to all by DR. Replies to DR by 2100hrs on 19/9/2019. KC offered to peruse the constitution and return to AGM with a new version for approval.

**Next Meeting:** AGM 10/10/2019 Bolton Arena 1900hrs.

