

## TE NW Committee Meeting Tuesday 12 July 2016

**Present:** Pete Edwards, Rolf Cooley, Terry Bates, Gavin Biggs, Andy Rawley, Oliver Heald, Ian Barnett.

**Apologies:** Sonia Carty, Sue Taylor, Danny Parr, Eric Brooks, Dave Rigby, Mike Myers.

**Minutes of Last meeting:** Previously circulated and Agreed

**Matter Arising:** i) An open water swimming rep has been appointed by BTF who will link in with RLSS to put on a course soon. TB will look to organise the same if there is no progress from the BTF rep in the near future. OH is already pushing this course for which 8 names are required. IB said he would identify suitable dates.

ii) First Aid kits. TB has identified suitable kits at a cost of £30 each which represent very good value. RC recommended all coaches should attend a first aid course. TB will write a letter to be circulated by OH to all coaches in the region. It was resolved to buy 15 of these kits in time for the next season in April 2017.

**Officials Reports:** Chair- Regarding ITU Leeds, it was reported that compensation will be paid to athletes who suffered very poor organisation. OH will report back to BTF that athletes want a good event guaranteed in future rather than a refund.

Training course profits should not be paid to BTF in return for a 9<sup>th</sup> part rebate. Any profit generated by the region should remain there.

Coaching – TB proposed a further CPD course for coaches. He reported further dates were available at Edge Hill but funding would be needed to run a course in November. TB reported a potential 10-15% increase in costs. Following discussions it was agreed that committee would underwrite the cost up to £1250.

Regional Manager- OH reported a new region website would be launched at the end of August. He indicated each committee member would have the option to view and amend anything in their area of business. These recommendations should be relayed to RC.

IRC- This year's team will be announced by AR on 16<sup>th</sup> July. He reported that kit offered by VO2 was too expensive ie £32 for a kids hoodie and was looking to return to last year's supplier. Katie Hewitson has expressed an interest in coaching the team but will need accommodation and kit supplied. This can be accommodated through savings elsewhere in the IRC budget.

Treasurer – GB reported £7750 in the bank with a further £395 in cheques to be deposited.

Officials – The kit purchase proposed by ST was approved. OT to enquire with BTF whether extra shirts could be supplied to officials for multi-event weekends.

Children's Series – Nothing to add to published report.

**AOB:** AR reported that 4 Academy members had finished in the top 8 at European qualifers with a best finish of 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Hungary.

Presentation Night: It was agreed to hold this on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2017, details to be discussed at next meeting.

Open Water Swimming: IB to write best practise guidelines following discussions with Canal and River Trust who are the only body to allow the same in their waters.

**Next Meeting:** Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2016 – Lancashire Manor Hotel 1900hrs