CORNWALL COUNTY SHORT MAT BOWLING ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the 176th Management Committee Meeting held at Ladock Village Hall on Monday 8th January 2018.

Present: Chris Roberts, Elise Daniell, Peter Hore, Nigel Nicholls, Nick Truscott, Brian Garfield, Yolanda Featherstone, Paul Murphy

176.00 Chairman's welcome:

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.28pm and welcomed everyone present.

176.01 Apologies for absence:

Dennis Shorthouse, Dianne Shorthouse, John Worton, Steve Williamson, David Stokes

176.02 Approve and sign minutes of the 175th committee meeting:

The minutes were taken as read and approved by those present.

Proposer: Nick Truscott Seconder: Yolanda Featherstone

176.03 Matters arising from previous meeting:

A) **Safeguarding –** Updates to Safeguarding section of the CCSMBA's Information Pack have now been completed and will be forwarded to Club Secretaries.

176.04 Correspondence:

Email from David Millington-Jones (ESMBA Administration Officer) attaching the main bullet points from the ESMBA's December committee meeting. The minutes for the ESMBA's committee meeting in September were also attached.

Email from David Millington-Jones (ESMBA) providing details of the proposed changes to the ESMBA's Constitution in order to remove the position of Administration Officer, amend the title of the Committee Secretary to General Secretary and to introduce two new officers. The committee discussed the proposed changes and agreed that this would enable the ESMBA to run more smoothly by spreading the workload more evenly throughout the committee. It was therefore unanimously agreed that the delegates in attendance at the ESMBA's AGM should vote in favour of the proposed changes.

Letter from Roy Duke (ESMBA Development Officer) enclosing the newly produced tri-fold leaflet and details of other material that is being designed to promote short mat bowls.

Letter from Peter Hore (CCSMBA Competitions Secretary) proposing the amendment of section 5.1 of the CCSMBA's Constitution to allow the AGM to be held on an alternative date should a date not be available in April due to clashes with ESMBA and/or international competitions. It was explained that the CCSMBA would always aim to hold the AGM in the month of April but the change of wording would allow a small degree of flexibility due to the increasingly congested calendar. The committee discussed the contents agreeing that it was a fair proposal and therefore it would be circulated to Club Secretaries so that it can be voted on at the CCSMBA's AGM.

Proposer: Peter Hore Seconder: Nigel Nicholls Unanimously agreed.

Letter from Sutton Winson providing details of the CCSMBA's insurance policy renewal. The committee agreed that the current policy was sufficient and would be renewed with Sutton Winson.

176.05 Treasurer's report:

No Report.

176.06 Membership Secretary's report:

The handover of information is yet to be arranged with the outgoing Membership Secretary but I am hoping that this can be done shortly. However, I am dealing with the new membership requests as they are received and will arrange for the cheques to be handed onto the Treasurer as soon as possible.

176.07 Competition Secretary's report:

The group stages for all competitions are now complete and the finals list will be circulated to clubs shortly. The finals will take place in March. The final Inter Area League matches take place on 21st January with all 4 teams still in contention.

176.08 Team Manager's report:

No Report.

176.09 Social Secretary's report:

Since our last meeting I have run three raffles and have made a profit on each one totalling £204.20. As yet, I have had no feedback on the Presentation Lunch but it is still early in the year.

176.10 Press & Promotion Officer's report:

I am working on a project with the Sunday Independent and have contacted the top three clubs in each area's league to provide team photos. Again, the website views have increased and the league results are the most viewed.

176.11 Area Representatives' report:

Central Area: At the half way stage of the 2017-18 winter season we find Withiel Oaks leading the Premier Division with 31 points which is 8 points ahead of newly promoted Truro City Golds. There is a tie for 3rd and 4th as both Ladock teams are on 21 points. Division One is being led by St Newlyn East with 36 points followed by Goonbarrow on 28 points and Luxulyan Maroons on 25 points. The second round of the Inter Area was played on 19th November; Central played the East Area and were well beaten on the day by 13-27. The result was thoroughly deserved by the East Area. In the other fixture the honours were shared 20-20 between the North and West. The next round will be on 21st January and sees the Central Area playing the West. The first round of the Central Area Knockout competition is almost complete with one game still to be played with the second round due to be played by the end of January. Sadly, Gordon Smith from Treviscoe recently passed away and I would like to send my condolences to Jenny and their family.

East Area: At the halfway stage, the Premier Division is topped by Dobwalls on 37 points followed by Landrake and Saltash Blues. In Division One, Liskeard lead with 43 point and Callington Falcons are in second with 36 points.

North Area: No report.

West Area: Newlyn Trinity Jowsters lead the Premier League followed by Holmans in second and currently there is lots of harmony in the area!
Nigel Nicholls thanked Paul for all of his hard work in the area.

176.12 Items for discussion from correspondence (if necessary):

None.

176.13 Any other business:

Social Media Policy: Deferred to next meeting.

Spare Date in Calendar: As discussed at the last meeting, there is now a spare date on the calendar and following a discussion with Carnmoggas Indoor Bowls club it was decided that a challenge match between short mat and indoor bowls could be held. A team of 18-24 bowlers would be required depending on the interest from Carnmoggas IBC and it was agreed to ask Gill Cawrse if she would be prepared to organise a team as Team Manager. If not, then Peter Hore agreed to take on this role as he would have been running the competition that was meant to be on this date originally. The committee agreed to ask each player to pay £5.00 towards the day to

help cover costs/fund raise.

County Team Travel: Following the most recent County Team fixture some members from the West Area have raised a concern with the committee regarding the timings and route for the coach. The pickup times for the coach seem to have been incorrect for each fixture this year as the coach has left Redruth much earlier than usual and has arrived at each pickup point prematurely which has meant that it has had to wait at each point. Due to this, and the route taken by coach (A38 with a pickup in Saltash), players from the West of Cornwall are on the coach at least two hours prior to those at the last pick up. Complaints have been raised with the committee regarding the length of the day for these players and it was agreed that this matter should be added to the open forum at the AGM for further discussion. It was also agreed that the start time for each fixture should be confirmed prior to the booking of coaches so that the timings can be scheduled correctly.

176.14 Date of next meeting:

The next meeting will be held on 12th March 2018 7.30pm at Ladock Village Hall.

176.15 Close meeting:

With no further business to discuss, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.22pm.

These are a true record and representation of the minutes taken at the above meeting.

Signed……. (Chairman) Dated…….

Hon: Secretary: Elise Daniell Dated: 26th January 2018