



Quarterly Board Meeting

Centre81, Clydebank

10:30am – June 30th 2019

Present:	Lisa Tausney	President/ West Scotland
	Jennifer Boyle	Vice President/ Central Scotland
	Victoria Bichener	Secretary
	Sarah McNeill (via telephone)	Treasurer/ Director At-Large
	Jennifer Greer	Glasgow
	Leanne Wrench (via telephone)	Highlands and Islands
	Stacy Greer	At-Large Director
	Madeleine Jamieson	At-Large Director
	Nicola Hamilton (via telephone)	At-Large Director

Item	Topic
1.	Welcome and Introductions
	Victoria Bichener (VB) welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2.	Apologies
	The Chair noted that apologies had been received from Leanne Caird, Emma Davies and Lynsey MacKenzie.
3.	SportCheer Scotland Update
	Jennifer Boyle proposed eight roles to be undertaken by the Board to assist in the development of SportCheer Scotland (SCS). These would be lead roles but the officer can delegate or consult with any suitable person.

	<p>1. Membership Officer Responsible for drafting a membership scheme for SCS including structure, cost and duration.</p> <p>2. Technical Officer Answer any legality queries on behalf of SCS and liaise with event producers to promote consistency at all Scottish competitions.</p> <p>3. Adaptive Abilities and Special Olympics Officer Responsible for progressing inclusivity across member organisations.</p> <p>4. National Team Officer Support the National Team Committee in organising Team Scotland 2020 and act as point of contact between the committee and the Board.</p> <p>5. Athlete Development Officer Responsible for drafting a SCS award scheme and oversee the management of the system including registration, payments and examinations.</p> <p>6. Education Officer The officer will coordinate courses beneficial to member programmes including, but not limited to, ICU credentialing, coaching and first aid.</p> <p>7. Ethics Officer Work with the Ethics Committee to uphold the policies of SportCheer Scotland and resolve any disputes raised with the organisation.</p> <p>8. Communications Officer Responsible for communications with SCS members and wider cheerleading community.</p> <p><u>Discussion</u></p> <p>Nicola Hamilton (NH) contributed that some coaches would appreciate if the Technical Officer could provide clarity on the cheerleading safety rules.</p> <p>Stacy Greer (SG) added that an awards scheme would help develop grass roots cheerleading.</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p>Annual General Meeting</p>
	<p>VB discussed plans for the upcoming Annual General Meeting (AGM). According to the statutes of governance the meeting is open to all members, however until such a scheme is launched the organisation does not have a membership.</p> <p>A provisional membership will be advertised at £30 that will permit a representative to attend the AGM.</p> <p>The AGM will be held on Saturday 14th September in Glasgow from 11am – 1pm and the closing date to confirm attendance will be August 1st.</p> <p>The following seats on the SCS Board of Directors will be elected:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Glasgow ○ Lothian ○ North Scotland ○ South Scotland ○ Director-At-Large x2 ○ Athlete Representative 																
5.	Treasurer's Report																
	Sarah McNeill (SM) disclosed the current SCS bank balance as £841.29 with a payment due to the ICU of \$2941. The full breakdown of transactions was provided to the Board.																
6.	Committee Updates																
	The committees have nothing to report.																
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	<p>On the 22nd – 23rd April LT, JB and VB attended the International Cheer Union (ICU) Annual Conference, attending presentations by Paracheer International, Special Olympics International and the regional meeting for federations of Eastern and Western Europe.</p> <p>The ICU Technical Committee communicated a change to routine length from 2:30-2:15 to reduce the potential for athlete injury.</p> <p>Clearidium outlined the anti-doping procedure adopted by the ICU, a signatory of the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA). Random checks are made on athletes attending the ICU World Championships with penalties including permanent disqualification from the event. Should an athlete have a medically sanctioned use of a prohibited substance she/he can apply for a Therapeutic Use Exemption.</p> <p>VB and JB attended the ICU AGM, alongside a delegate from SportCheer England, as the United Kingdom. The ICU introduced their main objective as the increased inclusion and participation of cheerleading at multi-sports games including the CSIT World Games and FISU World University Championships.</p> <p>An update to the ICU age grid was introduced:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="496 1554 1160 1767"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="4">Proposed Change to ICU Age Grid</th> </tr> <tr> <th></th> <th>Senior</th> <th>Junior</th> <th>Youth</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>2021</td> <td>15+</td> <td>15-18</td> <td>12-14</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2022</td> <td>16+</td> <td>15-18</td> <td>12-14</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The motion was voted upon and approved.</p>	Proposed Change to ICU Age Grid					Senior	Junior	Youth	2021	15+	15-18	12-14	2022	16+	15-18	12-14
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7.	SportCheer UK 2020 Age Grid																

	<p>LT distributed the age grid for 2020 as proposed by SportCheer UK (SCUK) and discussed the possible implications for Scottish programmes. The proposal intends to limit the total number of disciplines that an athlete can enter at one event to 6.</p> <p><u>Discussion</u> Stacy Greer contributed that it was common for Scottish athletes to enter multiple age categories across divisions and often alongside solo routines, easily surpassing 6 total entries.</p> <p>JB enquired whether SCS had had input on drafting the age grid. LT responded that the organisation was consulted after the age grid's completion and that feedback was not taken on board.</p> <p>Action: -SCS will not enforce the rule requiring a maximum of 6 routine entries per athlete at Scottish competitions.</p>
8.	A.O.B.
	<p>LT proposed that bids to attend the ICU European Championships as Team Scotland be advertised to Scottish programmes. Application would be made by video entry to be judged by an impartial panel including a representative of SCS.</p> <p>Proposal #1: To advertise bids to enter the 2020 ICU European Championships.</p> <p>Proposed: Lisa Tausney Seconded: Jennifer Boyle <i>Proposal #1 was approved.</i></p>
9.	D.O.N.M.
	The next meeting will be the Annual General Meeting on September 14 th 2019.

The meeting ended at 12:30.

