

Netball South

Minutes and Actions

Attendees:	Matt Clifford (MC), Sarah Feast (SF), Phyllis Avery MBE (PA), Jan Johnson (JJ), Julie Arnold (JA), Lucy Farrell (LF) Scott Connors (SC) via Skype		
Apologies:	Julie Tucker		
Date:	14 th January 2020		
Venue:	The Holiday Inn, Farnborough		
Subject:	RMB Meeting		
Distribution:	Attendees and apologies		
Item	Description/Action	To be acted by	Target date
1	<p><u>Review of Minutes</u></p> <p>The feedback regarding the new strategic plan is that it is a bit generic and could be improved by explaining HOW the region will achieve the aims stated. This detail is needed for the counties to feed off from and develop their own. We will carry on working on it but it is important to remember that the direction from EN may change in the next funding cycle.</p>		
2	<p><u>Reports:</u></p> <p><u>Chair (MC) – link to report</u> We need to make it clearer how the region will support EN's performance programme vision. Some Franchises are more established than others to begin with so we need to structure how we can support.</p> <p><u>Officiating (JA) – link to report</u></p> <p><u>Competitions (JJ) – link to report</u> In regards to the national schools competitions it was raised that the Isle of Wight should be merged into the county rounds rather than straight to the regional round by default. The benefit of this would be to give the IOW a more competitive standard of play as we are concerned this is not currently the case and may negatively affect the children as a result.</p> <p><u>England netball (LF) – link to report</u> Twice in the last 12 months level 2 coaching courses have had to be cancelled in Oxfordshire due to low uptake. As a result it has meant that no level 2 courses have run there in the past year. It is important that the county doesn't get overlooked or unsupported to the region has decided to budget for future courses and potentially fund the remaining vacant spaces so that the course is viable and allowed to run. Proposed – MC, all board in agreement.</p>		

3	<p><u>Goalden Globes 2020</u> The regional event will take place on Friday 15th May. Venue TBC but will aim for the Reading area again as this was a good central venue last year.</p> <p>We would like to encourage more nominations across the categories this year. Although the application forms have been edited and are now slightly shorter than in previous years, they are still lengthy. For the 2021 GGA we may consider bringing in separate regional awards which are easier to meet the criteria for.</p>		
4	<p><u>Developing coaches in the region (SF)</u> Following on from the coaching for coaches initiative led by Julie Tucker, Sarah Feast approached Surrey Storm to see if they could propose a similar structure to that offered by Wasps.</p> <p>Storm responded to say that they do not have the structure in place to offer something on such a large scale as that offered by Wasps but they would be happy to offer drop in sessions throughout the counties. This would be aimed a little more at grassroots coaching so it would provide an opportunity to roll out both structures as the wasps programme was geared more towards performance coaches.</p>		
5	<p><u>RMB objectives</u> Matt Clifford approached all board members to identify what aims the RMB should adopt in order to ensure the strategic plan encompasses these aims. The following points were raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have great leagues and officiating but otherwise we have no ties with the counties. Closer working with the counties is needed. • Having better visibility with members. • Get a feel for what leagues are running in which counties and what standard they are and build an overall picture of the region. • We should be doing more for grassroots players. • Feel like the counties could run without the RMB. • We need to be more proactive than reactive. • What do the counties need from us? In terms of funding/providing a voice. • We used to have county chairs on RMB. • County rep Skype in for first 20mins or have points to raise at RMB meetings to open the door of communication. • Clearer picture of performance 		

6	<p><u>AOB</u></p> <p><u>Woodley World record funding request</u></p> <p>Due to take place on 12th March at the Abbey School. We are expecting about 500 U11 kids to set a new world record for the largest netball lesson. The aim is to raise the profile and engagement in netball and all money raised will go to sport relief. The session will be a minimum of 45 minutes long. We will need to source some independent adjudicators and volunteers to help on the day. Berkshire netball have been approached for funding as well as local businesses.</p> <p>Region agreed amount of £200 but if they have incurred a higher loss after the event then they can reapply.</p> <p><u>L2 funding request</u></p> <p>Some further details are required before this request can be approved. Going forward we will use the new funding request form as amended by SF</p>		
	<p><u>Date of Next Meeting</u></p> <p>Tuesday 24th March at The Village, Farnborough, 6.30pm</p>		
13	Actions		
	Speak to other regions about additional GGA categories	LF	
	Attach bursary forms to coaching forms	LF	
	Check age banding for EN competitions ie. U14/U16 or U17/U17	LF	
	Retrieve additional information from L2 bursary request	LF	
	Gain formal coaching structure from Surrey storm	SF	
	Inform Wasps we are interested in coaching programme but can we amend costings?	JT	

Date:

Approved and signed:

(Chair)

