

**HKNA Committee Meeting
18th August 2015, 7.30pm
Olympic House**

Present:

Jenny Chadwick (JC)
Sherryn Hancock (SH)
Victoria So (VS)
Christina Yue (CY)
Lorraine Pak (LP)
Emma Gregory (EG)
Emma Wall (EW)
Carol Chan (CC)
Danielle Taylor (DT)
Kalani Brown (KB)

Apologies:

Shammin Azim (SHA)
Shafin Azim (SA)
Jo Reed (JR)
Kate Wood (KW)

MINUTES OF THE MEETING DISCUSSED

1. Minutes of last meeting accepted as the true Minutes from July's meeting
2. **Umpiring update (JC and EG)**

Need umpires for Asian youth champs. We have 9 interested. Need to focus on these for training in this part of the season and then after Christmas, we can then work with other umpires for support and training.

SH said we are aiming for level 2 course just before Asian champs in December.

Venues are confirmed for theory part of umpiring courses. August 30th is the first umpiring course. HKNA Office to notify clubs that first course is going ahead.

SH Proposed to increase umpiring course fee to \$200 per person which includes rule book. All agreed

The umpiring guidelines and level 1 course have been updated.

JC proposed that we no longer run a D badge course. This was agreed by all.

SH suggested that all clubs ask for an update for all registered umpires.

JC suggested to change some game's venue from HKFC to Western. This will allow each week, umpires we need for Asian's to umpire at western, but still leave some games to play at football club. JC to write up first and present it before confirm with all clubs. JC to liaise with KB.

3. Laxton presentation:

All agreed it was an excellent presentation and happy for SH and EW to contact them and follow up.

4. Div 1 league revamp (KE)

Krystle Edwards met with all Div 1 and 2 reps and came up with the simplest methods to divide the league. Proposal: 1st round Div 1 and 2 play each other once. After xmas, both division split. Div 1A becomes the 4-5 top teams and have a cup final. Div 1B becomes the bottom 4 teams and play each other twice and play for plate final. Same replicated for Div 2.

HKNA to decide how to divide Div 1.

Krystle also proposed that there is 2 Grand Final days. The benefit is that there won't be such a big break for Div 1 and Div 2 after round games. This may also help to get more people to come to both finals and get more spectators. It will also allow more availability for umpires and coaches. All reps in Div 1 and 2 were in favour. The committee agreed to this proposal.

It was also proposed by Krystle for next year that Div 1 games be extended to 15 min quarters for 2016/17 for next season.

5. Sponsorship/ marketing (EW)

EW presented the event management proposal for Laxton

Laxton have 3 staff so EW suggested we still need to recruit other staff for the tournament. Laxton can help with signage, etc. Although video and photos to be r/v with EW.

EW has already written sponsorship strategy and will work with Laxton. EW suggested we could use the HKNA reserve fund to pay for Laxton's fees?

SH also mentioned that Gilbert would like a presence at the Asian championships.

All approved with appointing Laxton as long as budget permits (80k).

CY mentioned that HKNA has to be careful how we spend this reserve as we may be audited this year.

6. Presidents update (SH)

Been at Netball World Cup to attend the INF conference & Observer 3 day course. All a very good learning experience on how countries work. Africa now has a full time development officer. SH pushing to get a full time Dev officer for Asia as well.

Development Officer is funded by the INF

Umpiring changes have been approved. SH to send out to everyone.

Update on World Youth Champs in Botswana in 2017: top 3 countries from Asian youth go to 2017 world youth champs. HK to host first qualifier for this which is the Asian Youth Championships being held in December.

Sri Lanka has a new President for netball.

Liverpool, England 2019 to host next world championships.
Gabby from Singapore is our new INF rep for Asia and will be up in HK at the Asian Youth Championships in Dec.

7. OM report (LP)

A. Asian Youth's

LP still chasing countries for payment of Asian Youths and confirming they are coming. Haven't heard from Afghanistan about payment yet.

Teams have complained that hotel costs are too high so LP have negotiated with hotel to get lower price without b'fast. Some teams are staying at hostel as it is a cheaper price.

SH suggested to get Liaison officers for each team.

B. Reorganization of LCSD

A letter has been received that HKNA will now be under Sports Dev office instead of LCSD.

Handover process not yet completed.

C. Tournament dates

League venue and juniors league confirmed for both seasons.

Interschool only A grade confirmed on Nov 8th.

8. TM report (Connie Wong)

Need to advertise for manager and physio appointments for youth team.

Uniforms to be done by Laxton and then ordered ASAP.

Connie requested for 2 funding tours to Auckland and Singapore for 16 players.

EW suggested we save money by not taking a physio to NZ and asking for a volunteer physio down there.

SH suggested we give U/21's \$60 000 budget for the NZ tour and for CW to try and reduce costs. KB suggested to try for group flight packages to also reduce costs.

CW also requesting to take 20 players to Singapore for a sports school invitation.

CW asking \$15K extra from HKNA to go. CW requesting 5 officials to go.

This was agreed and approved by all however, to also to see if we can reduce costs by seeing if we can get a physio over there. Will also look at group airfares to reduce fares.

9. COO report (EW)

Developed an ad for social media (short and long version). Working with Laxton to bring in new phase.

Suggested to do a Chinese version with the ad.

Created a sponsorship proposal with Laxton.

Need more hits with social media.

EW suggested she approach Panda to be the recognized/ preferred photographer and Mel Potinger as the preferred physio services.

Following up on Instagram comp from the world cup. Getting increasing numbers each week.

Revamp website: EW has gone to a web designer to create a landing page for our website that promotes Asian Youth Champs. Will cost \$8000HK. 17K to complete the full website.

EW suggested we go just with landing page first. LP asked if it could also be in Chinese. EW to check for price for both languages.

EW also to get a verbal quote for the loading page.

Ticket prices for Asian Youth championships to be decided later.

Meeting finished 10.32pm

A. Accounts report (CY)

CY to be confirmed as Treasurer at Captain's meeting

On budget for this month

SH to send out more info in a few days

Prepared by



Approved by

