

**HKNA Executive Council Meeting
Minutes
Tuesday 16 December 2014
Olympic House**

Present:	Absent
Sherryn Hancock (SH) Lorraine Pak (LP) Emma Gregory (EG) Shafin Azim (SfA) Leesa Youl (LY)	Ellen Tong (ET) Lisa Twinley (LT) Lauren Zervos (LZ) Shammin Azim (SA) Jo Reed (JW) Shirley Yuen (SY) Karin Loorim (KL)

ACTION ITEMS & OWNERS

#	Action Item	Owner	Due Date
1	Respond to members on issue raised regarding qualification for COO to sit on Executive Council	LY	31 December 2014
3	Follow up with LCSD on post padding.	LP	UPDATE to end February 2015
4	Umpiring convener to look at recommended payment for umpires (to be updated in or removed from by laws).	EG	Early February 2015
6	M&A update clause 26 to make provision for 13 Executive Council members (to be done at AGM)	LY	February 2015 (for review by Executive Council)
7 (Nov)	Lorraine to notify LCSD when new Admin Assistant starts (within one month)	LP	January 2015
8 (Nov)	Asian Youth Championships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Special application to ASDF on funding before committing to the event - Call Sirius to give a heads up that we are thinking of doing this in 2016 	LP SH	[TBC] Completed.
9 (Nov)	Identify other suitable sports management systems to consider three quotes	SH	Completed (3 quotes obtained, pending final notification from LCSD on funding approval)
10 (Nov)	Respond to Ladies League complaint made re younger players.	SA	COMPLETED

11 (Nov)	Reminder on Code of Conduct By Laws to Junior and Senior league	SA	January 2015 (when Junior League starts back)
12 (Nov)	Follow up on badging emails with clubs who have not responded.	EG	COMPLETED
13 (Nov)	Review umpiring fixture for the second half of the season in 2015	EG	COMPLETED
14 (Nov)	Assess whether to retain the D badge for HK	EG	February 2015
15 (Nov)	Respond to National Squad player who withdrew from squad	JW	COMPLETED
16 (Nov)	Notify national squad of alternative escalation channel	JW/CW	January 2015
17 (Nov)	Sign and acknowledge review of HKNA Office Manual	All	January 2015
18 (Dec)	Post "Sport without boundaries" webcast on HKNA website	CW	January 2015
19 (Dec)	Email clubs about Lisa Beehag availability	SH	December 2015
20 (Dec)	Umpiring courses to be advertised on the HKNA website	EG	January 2015
21 (Dec)	Follow up with KL (HKFC) regarding use of Football club as a venue for the finals	SA	January 2015
22 (Dec)	Revert on whether national squad positions will be re-advertised after the tri-nations	SH	January 2015
23 (Dec)	LP to give EG the times when courts are free during the tri-nations for possible workshops	LP	January 2015
24 (Dec)	LY to follow up with clubs not represented on Executive Council	LY	January 2015

MINUTES OF MATTERS DISCUSSED

Presidents update:

- Netball featured in a Cantonese radio broadcast with Metro- "Sport without Boundaries". Interview was conducted with players Anna Wong, Ada, Rita and Justine. A total of two episodes of 30 minutes were recorded which were played the last two Sundays. The purpose of the broadcast was to introduce netball as a sport and explain its history and development. HKNA is permitted to post the broadcast on the HKNA website
- Lisa Beehag will be in HK for the Tri Nations and has three nights availability for workshops. Courts have been booked on Tuesday and Thursday night which can

be utilised. Cost AUD250 (2.5 hours)- HK1,800. or AUD\$300 per hour plus cost of one night's accommodation for the evening of booking. HK\$4000 for workshop. Accommodation and airfares covered. Clubs have to cover accommodation for evening that she is booked HKD1,200 per night.

- The Executive Council meet the new Administrative Assistant, Hayley.

League:

- SA is finishing off the fixtures for the second half of the season which will be sent out by Friday. Some reworking of the umpiring schedule is required to ensure that lower divisions are not put down to umpire the top divisions.
- The current scheduled date for the finals is 25 April. Whilst this is one month after the end of the season, it is not possible to bring the season forward because of the possibility of wet weather games. Different options were discussed to finish the season earlier such as playing some semi-finals outside or playing the finals across two days. However the Committee prefers to continue with one day for finals covering all divisions. This will mean that 9 games need to be played (7 divisions, with divisions 1 and 2 having a plate final).
- LP has tried to secure alternative venues for finals but Football club is looking like the only viable option for 7 divisions. 9 games. As in previous years, cups will be given right after the matches. Idea of holding a function afterwards (with a cash bar) was approved by the Committee and SA will reach out to KL about HKFC venue.

Umpiring Update:

- So far for 2015 there are two courses in February with 20 people enrolled. These will be advertised on the HKNA website to get more attendees, as the last few courses were not full.

National Squad:

- Endorsement of appointments. Appointments were selected from on people that applied for the positions. Where no one applied, people were approached. Appointments are:
 - Connie Wong- National Coach
 - Jo Reed -Assistant coach
 - [Jane Echaluze]- []

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- Melissa Atkins
- Mairie Prebble
- A question was asked whether the positions were advertised. Confirmed that the positions were only advertised for the Tri-Nations.
- Further query as to whether the positions would be reopened after the Tri-Nations. SH to check as through to 2016 is a long commitment.

Technical managers report

- No questions on report.

Tri Nations

- Chinese Tapei confirmed.
- Thailand is looking positive, pending final approval on their budget which should be confirmed by the end of the week.

Office Manager Update:

- LP to contact INF and then Singapore re Umpires for the tri nations. Neutral umpires needed.
- EG to consider umpiring workshops during the Tri Nations. Felt that a B and C workshop would not be necessary and noted that a development course is already being run.
- LP to give EG times when courts are free to see what times are available for possible workshops. Depends on who INF sends as umpires.

AOB

- Aussies still don't have anyone attending the meetings. Need to give their representative. Have asked them to provide someone. SA to send the details of the Aussie and HKU team to LY.
- It should be reinforced that when individuals are unable to attend committee meetings, they must send an alternate from the club. Failure to attend three consecutive committee meetings is an issue.
- HKNA will be selling whistles for HKD20 (buy for HKD8), as proper Fox umpiring whistles are too expensive for many of the umpires in the league. The HKD20 whistles are adequate. .