



## BRITISH DRAGON BOAT RACING ASSOCIATION

*Founder Member of the International Dragon Boat Federation & European  
Dragon Boat Federation*

### BDA 141st Executive Committee Meeting

Date: Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2019

Location: Zoom meeting

Time: 19.00 – 20.30

#### Minutes

**Chairman:** Neil Pickles

**Present:** Neil Pickles, Dave Cogswell, Chris Bailey, Darrell Snape, David Bangs, Barbara Keenan and Andrew Menzies.

Mike MacKeddie-Haslam joined at 19:42

<b>1 Apologies</b>		<b>Action Points</b>
<b>1.1</b>	Apologies received from Mike Thomas, Jenni Henderson, Pete Money, Mick Clarke & Tim Smith	
<b>2 Minutes of last meeting and matters arising</b>		
<b>2.1</b>	The minutes of the previous meeting, the 140 <sup>th</sup> , have not been circulated a yet but will be shortly.  They will be followed up when circulated,	<b>NP</b> to circulate
<b>4 IDBF/EDBF Nominations</b>		
<b>4.1</b>	DC to send IDBF nominations as agreed at the last meeting, he had been waiting for additional information from MH which has no impact on the nominations so the nominations can be sent tomorrow and the additional info will follow.	<b>DC</b> to send IDBF nominations  <b>MH</b> to send additional info to Exec
<b>5 Banking Update</b>		

<p><b>5.1</b></p>	<p>DC has been coordinating the efforts to change the bank from HSBC to Lloyds. Not a quick process as it involves getting signatures from all BDA directors on a single piece of paper. DC needs signature from Tim Smith.</p> <p>JH is struggling to access the Team GB account due to no real handover of credentials. DC corresponding with HSBC with regards to obtaining prime user access</p>	<p><b>DC</b> to complete Lloyds paperwork</p> <p><b>DC</b> to gain access to GB HSBC account so monies can be accessed</p>
<p><b>6 Insurance Update</b></p>		
<p><b>6.1</b></p>	<p>CB has been putting together an insurance Q&amp;A and most question have been satisfactorily answered as far as what is covered and what is not by our current insurance.</p> <p>At this time there are a couple of outstanding questions around motorised launches used or training with clarification or a specific endorsement required from the insurers for this point.</p> <p>We are going to explore alternative options to make sure we are getting a competitive policy</p>	<p><b>CB</b> to finalise document</p> <p><b>DC</b> to confirm outstanding points with insurers</p> <p><b>JH</b> to organise insurance review.</p>
<p><b>7 Nationals Fee Structure</b></p>		
<p><b>7.1</b></p>	<p>NP spoke about the existing fee structure and thought it needed review.</p> <p>Costs for Nationals are rising again, RLSS Safety Boats are probably going to cost more this season due to them realigning their prices.</p> <p>Also need to decide on fees for EDBF crews for EuroCup competition and publicise on website.</p>	<p><b>DC</b> to share existing fee structure</p> <p><b>NP</b> to confirm RLSS fee for 2019</p> <p><b>NP</b> to confirm EuroCup fee expectation</p>
<p><b>8 AOB</b></p>		
<p><b>8.1 Senior A</b></p>	<p><b>MH</b> requested BNTS &amp; GB selection policy docs from <b>JH</b></p> <p><b>MH</b> gave an explanation of the position of his investigation to date surrounding the GB Senior A issue. Basic outcome was that there wasn't very much wrong with the process that had</p>	<p><b>MH</b> to conclude investigation and publish report for Exec review.</p>

	<p>followed except for poor communication in a couple of specific instances.</p> <p><b>MH</b> explained that we needed a clearer definition of what being a member of BNTS meant and a clearer policy about BNTS &amp; GB Squad selection.</p> <p><b>MH</b> expressed a requirement to involve Ally in the coaching process for the Senior A crew and will ask Jon to speak to Ally about the selected paddlers and to share benchmarks so her input could be received as to competitiveness etc.</p> <p><b>MH</b> to speak to Ally about the whole process.</p>	<p><b>MH</b> to get Ally &amp; Jon talking to confirm how we take Senior A forwards for Thailand 2019</p>
<p><b>8.2 BDA Byelaw Docs</b></p>	<p><b>DC</b> mentioned that he couldn't see on the website the BDA Byelaws. It is section 11 from the old BDA handbook.</p>	<p><b>NP</b> to search documents received to locate Byelaws section</p>
<p><b>8.3 Publish Minutes</b></p>	<p><b>CB</b> asked why don't we publish the minutes on the website? It would help with crew communication and to form better bonds with crews if we did this.</p> <p>There was some discussion around this about the whys and wherefores and it was finally agreed that we would publish the minutes, as written, except where they might be something confidential in which case that would be excluded from the web version of the minutes</p>	<p><b>NP</b> to add to website</p>
<p><b>8.4 Social Media Policy</b></p>	<p>In light of some of the social media posts following the recent Senior A issue, the BDA needs to formulate a social media policy for its members.</p>	
<p><b>8.5 Tim Smith</b></p>	<p>In the immediate aftermath of the Senior A issue, an email was received from Tim Smith possibly indicating his intent to resign from the Exec though no formal request has been received to date.</p>	<p><b>NP</b> to speak to <b>TS</b> to explain Senior A issue to ensure he has all the info before he makes any decision.</p>
<p><b>Next Meeting, Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm via Zoom</b></p>		