NPUA Executive Meeting

Wednesday 2nd December 2020

Zoom

In Attendance - David Monger (DM), Mark Everard (ME), Sean Edwards (SE), Richard Kirk (RK), Karen Fynn (KF), Rebecca Woodcock (RW), Charles Hallows (CH), A J Small (AJ), David Ellcock (DE), Rachel Williams (RWi),

Apologies - Ed Westbrook (EW) and Jonathan Hull (JH)

Meeting Open - 19:02

- 1. External Web Site
 - i. [ACTION] SE to get the website live by 15th December. Once it is, whatever documentation is left will reside on OMS (and DM will speak to David Elworthy to understand how those documents, whatever they might be, can be uploaded)
- 2. NPUA App Content
 - i. 100+ clips have now been edited, categorised and uploaded to the app, including the clips used in the conference sessions, and the sessions themselves
 - ii. [ACTION] While SE continues to work through an issue with the Google app store, the app is now available again in the Apple app store. Therefore, EW will re-launch it to the membership by 10th December
- 3. New Appointment Secretary
 - i. [ACTION] ME will speak with David Elworthy by 10th December to publish the agreed job description on the EH site, with the expectation that applications will be forthcoming in January with interviews to be undertaken in February
- 4. 2020 Conference Wrap-up
 - i. [ACTION] RW to touch base with KF and generate a summary view of the survey feedback that the membership provided in October
- 5. 'Return to Play' Latest
 - i. [ACTION] ME to write a note for the membership, as a follow-up to the 'holding' note from earlier this week, that explains that there won't be any EHL hockey in December, and the details for a return to league play in January are being worked out
- 6. Fitness Test for 2020-21 Season
 - i. All NPUA umpires, bar 19 individuals, successfully completed a fitness test for the 2020-21 season
 - ii. Five of the 19 umpires applied for an extension to the allowed timeframe. Three were granted a oneoff extension until 30th November. Two of them subsequently completed the test and one has not
 - iii. As both umpires whose application for an extension was declined are on the same panel, I made the panel lead aware of the outcomes, plus the reasons behind them. In both cases the lead was comfortable with the outcomes and the rationale that drove them
 - iv. Of the remaining 14 umpires, 8 provided a reason why they would either not be undertaking the test or were currently unable to
- 7. Finances
 - i. EH have paid for the games that have been played to date, and all expense claims that have been submitted (bar three late ones) have been paid
- 8. AoB
 - [ACTION COMPLETED] The Executive agreed that NPUA would look to appoint to the additional Conference division that is planned for next season. However, there will need to further consideration of how the 20 additional appointments will be facilitated
 - ii. [ACTION COMPLETED] The Executive agreed that NPUA would continue to liaise with Scottish Hockey to help ensure that all BUCS matches in Edinburgh are appointed to

Meeting Close - 19:44