

YORKSHIRE NETBALL REGIONAL MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING



**MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL RMB MEETING HELD AT 6PM
ON THE 17 FEBRUARY 2021**

MEMBERS	
Lisa Woods - LW	Regional Chair
Katie Puplett - KP	Elected Member/G & FC Chair
Sian Foley-Corah - SFC	Elected Member
Kate Cox - KC	Elected Member
Mark Pritchard - MP	Elected Member
Louise Morby - LM	Elected Member
IN ATTENDANCE	
Debbie Chandley – DC	Minute Taker/ Regional Coordinator
APOLOGIES	
Nikki Shipley - NS	Treasurer

1.	<p>Welcome and Introductions: LW welcomed everyone to the meeting. DC apologised as Nikki Shipley wasn't added to the RMB circulation list and so did not get the meeting invite and therefore did not attend the meeting. KP gave a brief background of Nikki and explained that she was a qualified accountant and a netballer from Humberside</p>	
2.	<p>Conflicts of Interest: → There were no conflicts of interest</p>	
3.	<p>Governance & Finance Committee update: (Katie Puplett)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → KP informed the RMB that the AGM held in November wasn't quorate for 2 reasons a) One member left the meeting prior to any voting taking place b) The Appointed members of the Board were not entitled to vote until they were elected on to the Board at the end of the AGM → As the AGM wasn't quorate the proposed changes to the constitution that was voted on at the time may not be valid → KP advised that for the next AGM the Board should make sure there is enough member organisations and Board members present to ensure this doesn't happen again → The G & FC committee are to look at the constitutional changes and carry out a Health Check <p>Action Point: The G & FC to investigate the AGM voting for the next RMB meeting, feedback regarding the constitutional changes and carry out a Health check</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → If there was an anomaly in the AGM voting, the RMB would call for an EGM to push through any constitutional changes recommend by the G & FC once they have relooked at the whole constitution → Howden's liability insurance was due to be renewed in February 2021 and KP asked if the RMB were happy to renew <p>RMB approved the renewal of the liability insurance</p> <p>Action Point: Ask Nikki if she is happy to proceed with the renewal of the liability insurance and ask if any additions need to be added to cover Covid</p> <p>Action Point: Ask other Regions if they take out additional insurance for competition.</p>	<p>G & FC</p> <p>DC</p> <p>LW</p>

4.	<p>Website: (Mark Pritchard)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → There had not been much progress on the new website since Christmas due to MP's work commitments → The functionality to create forms isn't available at present. A development plan is needed from EN to keep the regions informed of what was being developed and when it would be available → There was a need to train more digital publishers to ensure content is quickly added and the website kept up to date <p>Action point: Look at the new website to make sure the content is what is required before closing down the old website - deadline to feedback to Mark: Tuesday 2 March</p> <p>Action Point: Send link to the YAG for their feedback to DC – Deadline: Tuesday 2 March</p> <p>Action Point: Send link to LM's sister, as a none netballer for her feedback</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Once feedback had been received and MP had made any changes, the new website to be launched on Monday 29 March 	All DC LM
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5.	<p>Leeds Rhinos Update: (Sian Foley-Corah)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → SFC had been appointed as the lead Covid officer and Team Manager for Leeds Rhinos → SFC gave an u-date on the 3 injured Rhinos players from Monday night 's match <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donnell Wallam had broken her arm. The recovery time was not know at this stage but she is expected to be back before the end of the season • Twaine Keenan and Fi Toner had their scans and an up-date was imminent → There had only been 2 cases of Covid within the squad and they were university based. Testing was thorough and regular for the players and staff → It was financially tough for all the franchises including Rhinos as they had no income coming from matches or of court activities. SFC reiterated that the whole of Rhinos, from players to coaches to all other staff involved, appreciated the partnership and financial support from Yorkshire Netball → Players want to give something back to the Region, so the RMB to think about how the Region utilise them? → Every Superleague game is accessible to viewers and YouTube viewing figures are the best that they have ever been. There has been in excess of 50 000 viewings and the feedback has been very positive. → Media coverage is better than ever 	
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6.	<p>5 year plan - update on deliverables:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YAG - LW/DC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ LW & DC had an initial YAG meeting on the 2 February and another that took place on the 16 February. There are 2 more meetings planned for the 9 and 30 March. ▪ The group consists of 15 members ranging from the age of 16 – 22 years with all Counties being represented ▪ The YAG have come up with some ideas on what they would like to work on <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Looking at the differentiation of clubs on the website to make it easy to see which clubs are geared towards performance, fun or somewhere in between to make it easier to chose where to play ➤ Look at organising a competition for 16-19 yrs to enable easier transition into open competition. Their idea was to run a series of competition days (approx 6) where teams would enter but on the day would not play within their team but would be designated a team on the day so they would be playing with players they wouldn't normally get the chance to play with. ➤ How to expand volunteers. They are looking at a survey that could be sent through the Engage system to find out what 	
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volunteers want

→ LW asked the RMB if they would agree to allocate a budget to the YAG to enable them to carry out their tasks

RMB approved the allocation of funds to the YAG providing they completed a formal proposal

→ LW asked the RM if they would agree to consider a hardship fund for some of the YAG to complete some of their qualifications as they are doing work for the Region

RMB approved a hardship fund for the YAG but would need them to fill in a formal proposal

- Education & Training LW/DC
 - Level 1 courses are now totally virtual and are already being rolled out
 - Level 2 courses are now blended and their role out is imminent
 - Officiating courses are to be virtual and their role out is imminent
- On-line Coach Development – SF
 - This is in 2 phases

Phase 1: This is a generic programme to compliment the EN on line coaching offer. The workshops would consist of 6 linked sessions tailored to what Yorkshire Netballers want. The first webinar would be a Q and A with Dan Ryan with Dan giving them some information on his journey to where he is now and a little background on himself. Evaluation forms would be sent out after the initial webinar and this will form the content of the following sessions. There will be segment workshops to split the coaches into their preferred coaching areas ie performance coach, junior coach etc
 - This would be a free offer to Yorkshire members and would need to be marketed to ensure members know that this is being rolled out and funded through their membership fees
 - MP advised rolling out these sessions on a professional webinar platform to make sure that the quality of the sessions are of a high standard

Action Point: Check if Rhinos i have a professional webinar platform

LW asked the RMB if they would agree to financially support these sessions

RMB agreed to support Rhinos financially to run these sessions

Action Point: Email Dan Busfield and Dan Ryan and cc LW in to ask them to cost up the sessions

Phase 2: This is more of a long term plan and a more focused approach. It aims to develop performance clubs through quality coaching. It will give coaches the tools to deal with aspiring athletes to develop a wider talent pool of clubs, coaches and players. This will hopefully retain players within the Region. Information will be used from phase 1 to develop these sessions.

Clubs and coaches will be invited to apply

CAPS clubs to be targeted and asked about their aspirations.

Involve NDOs and the North PM

Dan Ryan was keen to include a diverse representation

- Consideration needs to be given to when the courses can be delivered

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	<p>face to face and what would that look like</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A hardship fund would be needed to pay for quality coaches to go into clubs that need support but cannot afford it ▪ LW met with LM and KP to put together a survey regarding equality and diversity and this touched on digital poverty ▪ EDI needs to permeate every person in every role and needs a presence on the website. Training to be given to RMB members ▪ EDI needs to be a RMB agenda item and needs a WG in the short term until it is embedded into every WG ▪ Marginalised groups need to be encouraged to join the RMB ▪ LM informed the group that UK Sport and the alliance of home nations sports councils have launched a campaign to address racial inequalities and encourage people to share their own stories #Tellusyourstory <p>Action Point: To ask LM's university students to do a#Tellusyourstory for Yorkshire netball</p> <p>→ LM told the RMB that if they write a wish list her university students would work on it for free as part of their degree</p> <p>Action Point: pick up the EDI survey and draw up an action plan</p> <p>Action Point: Send out the EDI survey to RMB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Club Development – LW <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ LW had mapped 193 netball clubs and drew a 10 mile radius around each club ▪ The smaller clubs have now been deleted to leave the larger clubs and CAPS clubs of all levels 	<p>LM</p> <p>LM</p> <p>LM</p>
7.	<p>AOB:</p> <p>→ KP asked for an up-date on Board recruitment.</p> <p>Action Point: To relook at Board recruitment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The meeting was brought to a close at 20:10 by the Chair LW 	<p>LW</p>

Dates of Next Meetings:

Monday 17 May 2021

Monday 9 August 2021

Monday 8 November 2021