

London Sports Board

MINUTES

Second Meeting 2005

Held on Thursday 17th March 2005 at 09:00 in Sport England, 3rd Floor, Victoria House, Bloomsbury Square, London WC1B 4SE

Present:

Chairman
Philip Lewis

Members
Steve Hodgkinson
Sue Atkinson
Mike McFarlane
Paula Craig

In Attendance:

Regional Director
Matthew Delaney

Officers
Andy Sacha
Andy Couves
Ben Woods
Jonathan Bruck
Shirley Burgess - taking minutes

1. Apologies and Declarations of Interest

The chairman Welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Andree Deene, Cllr Lyn Brown, Karam Bhullar and Yvonne Marson. There were no declarations of interest.

2. Minutes of pervious meeting:

Minutes of the previous meeting held on 26th January 2005 were accepted as a true record.

3. Chairs Report:

The Chairman expressed his thanks to Yvonne and Karam for the work they have done over the last two years. He was disappointed that they were unable to attend today, as he would like to have expressed his thanks to them in person.

He updated the board with progress on the recruitment of new members. He is keen to have representation from a wide range of sectors and has a good selection of candidates. It is hoped that new members will be in place within the next month.

The chairman reported that the 9 regional chairs, along with Joanna Robinson and Patrick Carter were invited to a forum at DCMS to discuss measurement of increasing participation; and how sport is promoted in Health and Education. Len Jackson chair of East Midlands Region will be drafting a letter to MPs in response. SE will be looking to Public Utilities and large corporates to help fund sport. Facilities were also discussed; including the use of educational establishments.

The chairman also noted that the Budget mentioned new money for schools and the National Sports Foundation.

4. Regional Director's Report

The Regional Director reported that all items from previous meeting have been actioned. Active England questions will be answered in the investment report. The region is very



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busy and good progress is being made against operational plans to ensure delivery. This year all regions will have a common thread running through our delivery plans. The plan will be presented to the board on completion.

He introduced the single system for sport to the board; this was well received. It was suggested that thought be given to other sectors sub region. There was a concern about the message being send out, didn't seem to be a two-way flow. The chairman found postcard size diagram very useful.

Events: The board was made aware of events taking place in March and April. Members were encouraged to attend to boost SE presence. An invitation will be sent to all board members for the Brunel event on the 20th April. Local Director of Public Health will be encouraged to get involved by our Health Representative.

5. Development Team Update:

The board received the team update, and asked to note that there could possibly be a number of applications from the Building Schools for the Future programme trying to access the money mentioned in the Budget. This money is the next wave of funding. Facilities need to be for community use, more investment may help to influence. SE is quoted as lead for technical guidance. Schools that are currently being funded do not have community useage as a priority.

Members pleased to see physical activity co-ordinators post has been filled and commented on the need to join up physical activity and health.

SPAT has focussed on sub-regional working, vision, role, and how to phase out LAP and develop the CSPs. Director of LAP contract ended 27th Feb. We need to move on with the CSP. For decision on 19th May

6. Facilities and Investment Update:

The board received with an Active England update, and discussed a contingency fund for London. The board agreed in principle £20,000 for Tumbler and £46,000 for Regents Park. This is subject to a formal request from the applicants. Investment group to feedback on summary and members encouraged to visit the projects.

The board received an update on Community Investment programme. Decommitment from Kingshold to be transferred to Springhill was deferred pending further information. We are co funding feasibility study with hackney.

2 applications for grant requests were tabled for decision.

London Youth Games and b) Panathlon

Decisions: The board agree awards as set out in LSB (05) 2.8 with conditions: assist with staff member and desk space in SE offices and to seek alternative funding source. The board agreed award as set out in LSB (05) 2.9

7. London 2012:

The board received an update on 2012. The IOC visit went well and feedback was positive. The bid team are currently canvassing Commonwealth countries. Sport England should take credit for the sport development legacy that will benefit the capital, whether we win or lose the bid.

8. Royal Albert Docks:

The board received an update on this project. This is a high performance high specification centre, which is currently under utilised due to management issues. The facility can accommodate up to 36 athletes.

Newham has developed a new initiative to utilise the centre, which involves moving the water sport centre to this site. This will create some revenue for the project. Sport England is supporting this initiative.

10. Any other business:

Community Sports Coach Scheme paper was tabled for decision.

The board agreed award as set out in LSB(05) as tabled

All awards will now be for 1year, and in principle for future years. Conditions are stipulated in award letters.

11. Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Thursday 19th May 2005 at 09:00 at Victoria House.

S Burgess
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