



London Sports Board

MINUTES OF THIRD MEETING

Held on Thursday 19th May 2005 at 09:00 at Sport England, 3rd Floor, Victoria House, Bloomsbury Square, London WCX1B 4SE

LSB(05)
Third Meeting

Present:

Chairman
Philip Lewis

Members
Steve Hodkinson
Sue Atkinson
Ros Potts
Murad Qureshi
Mohni Gujral
Andree Deane
Paula Craig
Alex Welsh
Mike McFarlane
Colin King
Neil Taylor

In Attendance:

Regional Director
Matthew Delaney

CEO
Roger Draper

Officers
Andy Sacha
Melanie Rodrigues
Holly Woodford
Ben Woods
Shirley Burgess – taking minutes

1 Apologies and Declarations of Interest

The chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and especially to the new board members. Congratulations were given to LB on her success at the recent elections, as she is now Labour MP for West Ham. Apologies for absence were received from Rosi Prescott and Lyn Brown. There were no declarations of interest.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting:

Minutes of the meeting held on 17th March 2005 were agreed as accurate record.

3. Matters arising:

London Youth Games – The Regional Director attended the London Youth Games Launch. This was held with the 50 days to the 2012 decision launch and Jonathan Edwards, Jo Fenn and Nell McAndrew were present. Media coverage was very good with MD giving interviews for Capital radio and Choice FM.

AS is now the regional champion for the Youth Games and has held several positive meetings with LYG. Sandy Craig, a consultant being employed by LYG is now undertaking a full review of the Youth Games with a view to restructuring the

organisation as well as the event itself.

4. Single System Funding:

Roger Draper introduced himself and gave an up date on events he was currently engaged in. He mentioned that he had done a number of radio interviews this morning for the re-launch of Sporting Champions in Hackney this afternoon. He noted that we now have a much better product that he hoped would inspire and sustain participation. He hoped that the LSB members would also become champions/ambassadors – getting out and about engaging partners and being role models.

He went on to explain the Sport England journey so far and how we arrived at our strategic priorities.

The Regional Director then gave a presentation on the single system for community sport and reinforced the need for the board to adopt and invest into this system as well as the need to invest in performance management and campaigning.

It was noted that the Local Strategic Partnerships would be vital in helping to join up work (especially around health) and was where officers should focus their attention.

Investment Implications:

It was reinforced that the board are accountable for investment into the single system. The system needs funding if it is to contribute to the delivery of a 1% rise in participation.

Collective Purchasing Decision: A discussion was held around what % of the regional funding allocation should go towards a national campaign and performance management budget.

The 3 options presented were discussed. Option 2 appeared to be more advantageous. (% Allocation based on demographic/deprivation indices with 75% equal shares of baseline)

Decision: the board signed up to the single system (as tabled)

- a. Noted and endorsed the content of the delivery plan
- b. Endorsed the single system, as the delivery framework for London
- c. Endorsed and committed to the financial allocations
- d. Consider the preferred funding formula and give feedback (option 2)
- e. Develop a regional investment strategy.

The board agreed that option 2 would be their choice.

5. Chair's Report:

The chairman informed the meeting on the appointment of the new members. There was a good cross section of applications from all sectors. Changes were due to some members coming to the end of their appointments. It was agreed that we could have a larger board so we now have 14 members.

Olympic: if London wins the bid we will have a wealth of investment opportunities, if we loose there will be the legacy of the infrastructure which is now being put in place.

5. Regional Director's Report:

The board was asked to note the work of the regional team and review both the investment and development team papers. It was noted that much of the regions work over the last month had been around sub regional sports partnerships.

The 'Hub' at Regents Park opened this month with attendance by HRH Prince Charles and Camilla.

It was noted that there were three projects that had links to members and a question was raised as to how we dealt with these issues in the interest of transparency openness.

The chairman explained that a Declaration of Interest is made at the beginning of each meeting: members are excluded from meeting discussions and decisions where they may have interests in a particular project.

The application process was explained for the benefit of new members, as was the terms and conditions relating to capital projects.

The board was update on Active England. We have 21 projects; all are on track. Two have requested extra funds, which have to be signed off by both LSB and main board.

Decisions: The board agreed awards as set out in LSB (05) 3.1bii

6. Sub-regional Partnership:

The Board was presented with a paper for decision, outlining the work of the Sport Partnership Action Team (including board members SH & AW) on establishing the framework for the sub regional partnerships, vision, role and functions.

They were also presented with the results of the consultation process and feedback.

The board expressed its thanks to all the members of the Sport Partnership Action Team and Sport England officers for their hard work.

Decision:

The board decided to adopt the vision, role and function of the Sub Regional Sports Partnerships as set out by the SPAT team.

They also decided that 5 sub groups aligned to LSC, GLA, LDA boundaries would be the most effective and provide the greatest opportunity to link with existing key agencies who have already created strong sub-regional alliances.

It was requested that each of the 5 sports partnerships has an allocated board member.

Next steps:

The Sport Partnership Action Team are still working on governance and transition phase 2 of the London Active Partnership to sub-regional partnerships. The project plan requires managers to be in post by mid/end of September to be 'fit for purpose' by March 06.

Host agency and governance decisions will need to be secured prior to 31st June. Papers will be circulated with recommendations for a decision. The host agency specification is to be sent to all partners on Monday 23rd May for initial expressions of interest.

7. Any Other Business:

CK noted that there was a BME needs analysis research is now taking place. And that there was a conference to be held at Chelsea football club 6th December that he would like Board members to attend if possible.

8. Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Thursday 7th July 2005 at 09:00 at Victoria House.

