

## MEETING MINUTES

MEETING NAME	Midlands Regional Young Umpiring Action Group – Management Committee	Held at DATE	Loughborough University Hockey Pavilion  Monday 31st January 2011
LEAD	John Litchfield	NOTE TAKER	Margaret McLoughlin
Present	JDL, MM, Marc Abraham, Pat College, Kevin Freeman, Ed Westbrook,		
Apologies	Saul Shohet, Vicki Smith,		

	TOPIC	ACTION
2	<ul> <li>Minutes arising from 11 October 2010 (not covered by Agenda items).</li> <li>All logbooks now issued – need to get a reminder in to all umpires to use them. JDL to send note to UM's / coaches with new set of appointments.</li> <li>Development Group – Try to find another opportunity (like WCT) to get our members together and hit themes such as use of cards.</li> <li>Website reports going well so remove from agenda. Also note that a UM appointment on the website will ONLY give an assessment mark and NOT a coaching report.</li> <li>NO UPDATE from England Hockey re raising umpiring priority within JDC/JAC activity.</li> <li>Simon was still working on trying to find us a welfare officer</li> </ul>	JDL JDL/MM
3	<ul> <li>Finance Update.</li> <li>A thorough review of the current financial position was undertaken from report supplied by Saul. Income £1320, Expenditure £710 but not all claims yet come through, still leaving us with a working balance.</li> <li>Saul has again requested that we attempt to get our members to submit bank account details to get them on bacs transfer system. MM to do a news article.</li> <li>Nothing new on small grant applications which seem to be a dead end. Request current position from Steve Tabb.</li> <li>Saul also had proposals for website upgrades. We felt that we needed a bit more information re the dates of birth item, but in principal thought it was needed and we would pay. The listing of grades on the main MRHUA platform was NOT agreed.</li> </ul>	MM ST
4	Mentors Panel  Ed presented a paper on guidance for the mentors panel and Vicki had sent across a document gleaned from the EH website. Both represented excellent draft guidance for our members. Copies were distributed to the meeting and any comments are to be sent to Ed by 21/2 so he can draw a document for our use together which can be trialled in the upcoming events.	ALL EW
5	CRB checks List reviewed, some names no longer involved and a couple to chase. JDL has this in hand. We need to add Linda Hamilton and possibly Heather Russell. Young umpires wise if Emily Bower remains active she is also a target, as shortly will be James Barnes.	JDL
6	Review of Membership of MRYUAG Executive Group  As already recorded we are still without a Welfare Officer – although we do have the expertise of Elaina as a guide.  Pat College had also written to the Chair to notify that she would be standing down from the committee but wanted to very much remain involved. A formal vote of thanks to be recorded in these minutes was voted for unanimously. Thank you Pat.  This of course leaves us with a vacancy from 'the Women's game', and MM indicated that she was going to approach Jo Brocksopp. This received approval from the meeting.  We also need a representative from EMHUA / and is Steve Tabb still the BCHUA link?	JDL

7	Membership progress report  The HiPAC reports for James Barnes, Sarah English and Emily Bower were all very encouraging. They represented us well, and we hope it will provide a great step forward for their umpiring.  NYUPL – After Futures Cup, Tom Cheevers was elevated to the A panel, and Jamie Hooper was admitted to the B panel. Well done to all.  James Barnes (EMHUA B grade), Jamie Hooper (EMHUA A grade) and Tom Swain (EMHUA A/B grade) have all been taking regular appointments and are making good progress. Sarah has done a game at Rugby school under Marc's guidance, Kate Gutteridge will not be back until at least September, and Matt Lomax seems to have withdrawn. Jono Oldham although still a L2 target has not put himself forward to the senior organisations so this is still pending. Will Hessey is keeping very active with club games and recently did a tournament with Deb Read. Tori Moore is hopefully going to become active in the JAC events in March.  New members – MM reports that she has had contact from Steph Brennan in Northants, and expects her	
	consent form to arrive shortly. She is a JAC player but is very interested in assisting at the younger age groups.  FUTURE EVENTS  The JAC information is now confirmed, and MM produced and will circulate the full information.  Key dates are: - 6th, 20th and 27th March, and 8th and 15th May.  The Mini Clubs date is Sunday 3rd April 2011 at Cannock H.C.  MM informed the meeting about her contact from British Colleges. They are playing Repton Girls U18 on 9/2, and will be having fixtures v Leicester, Beeston and Trent College – detail awaited. These should be excellent development games.	JDL/MM MM
8	Development of County YUAG's  We are in the process of asking the JAC organisers if they are able to invite any young umpires to their matches. If they are planning to have young people umpiring, we would like to offer our support. Typically, for a set of 3 games we will need 3 umpires and if they can supply at least 2 young umpires we will try and support them with a coach. This is an ideal opportunity for our Level 1 umpire coaches and coach candidates. Various people tasked with making early contact with County organisers to see what may be possible.  Any Other Business	ALL
10	None  Date and venue of Next Main Committee Meeting  Provisional date of Monday 14th March 2011 at venue to be decided	Venue booking to be conf.

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