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| **Minutes of the : North East Regional Management Board Meeting** | | | | |
| Date/Time | 08/03/2023 | | Location | Zoom |
| **Attendees** | | **Initials** | **Position** |
| Rachel Cassidy | | RC | Competition Lead |
| Michelle Cowan | | MC | Treasurer |
| Iain Richardson | | IR | Officiating Lead |
| Jade Featherstone | | JF | Regional Officer |
| Jo MacLeod | | JM | Chair |
| Grace Towler | | GT | Vice Chair |
| Liz Barton-Jones | | LBJ | Events Lead |
| Jill Sapsford | | JS | Partnerships and Delivery Manager |

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| **Apologies** | **Initials** | **Reason** |  | **Circulation List** |
| Gemma Sandberg | GS | Holiday |  | Attendees 8 |

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| **1.0** | **Welcome and Apologies** |
| **2.0** | **Regional Chair Updates** |
| **3.0-6.0** | **3.0 Competition**  **4.0 Treasurer Update**  **5.0 Officiating Update**  **6.0 Performance Update** |
| **7.0** | **AOB** |

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| **Welcome and Apologies**   * 1. JM welcomes everyone and thanks them for attending. Introduces any members that might not know each other yet.   2. Jill Sapsford introduction to the RMB.   **Updates**  England Netball Updates- JF given brief update but report to follow.  Chairs report-   * Recent meeting from chairs, GT to attend in person meeting in March and both JM and GT attended February call. * Lots of discussion around volunteers and the role of the president at England Netball and where the president sits. * Regional Websites: Websites are no longer going to sit the same under england netball, too expensive and EN not seeming interested due to workload. JM part of a meeting with other regional chairs to see what the next steps are and going out to agencies to assess other options to hope that all regional websites can look the same. * Counties, two really strong T&W and ND, SD&C going to need some support, Chris Kelly now Interim Chair due to Kay stepping away due personal reasons. Northumberland need some extra support from us. GT updates- chair stepped down, current Interim Chair only wants to be chair until summer and has been away for 5 weeks. JS supports that NDO is going to reach out to NCNA. * Governance Health Check is complete. Few pieces of work that needs to be done, going to get the season done and then have summer as a priority for Governance.   **Competition**   * Leagues ticking along well. * Schools Representative for national schools- Yarm, RGS, Durham Johnston, Durham School but really good representation this year, equal amount of private school and state school. * Venues the only issue for school competition. * Junior national qualifying tournament on 26th March. * Senior League is very close this year which is good. Lots of scenarios around who will move up teams wise due to Prem Playoffs. * 6th May is play off day, 20th May is entry tournament. JF to share on socials. * Share on socials that it is the last weekend and list the fixtures/ share website link. * GT going to create a survey to get teams thoughts on the season, points to include thoughts on venues, rules and warm up times. * RC to organise a TSG meeting with county leads to get their thoughts too. * EN competition meetings are during the day and during term time, can anyone support with this? JF and JS to take this away and see what support we can get, LBJ potential option to attend.   **Officiating**   * Regional League ran pretty smoothly, everyones pulled together to support. * 24 active regional umpires * NE umpires supporting NPL and Prem matches. * 8 Talent ID C awards supporting regional league, next year likely to be 18 which is brilliant. Mentors then becomes a struggle so need to look and see if anyone else can support with this. * Set up a formal mentor and feedback process now, get written feedback which is shared with all mentors so that mentors are looking for the same thing and providing aligned feedback. * Ceri and Steven both passed written exam, Beth done hers, waiting for result. * Natalie and Alyssa both successful in getting their B awards. * 2 more learners sitting practical’s on 18th March. * Lots of support from Barbara Anne this year, and she is going to focus on the North East next year. * Roughly around 80-90 people booked onto an officiating course in the next cohort from the NE * 9 NE umpires attend the B award course, feedback was really positive from that too. * Big shout out and thank you to the mentors who have supported the regional league this year. * Iain signed off as B award assessor, so now in the North East we are self sufficient with this, Liz Wiz going to shadow on 18th March so she is likely to get signed off too. * Sophia and Anne at National Schools. * Showcase: Iain and Sophia, Anne Rose doing NPL and Jade, Rachel, Ceri and Natalie doing friendly matches.   Performance   * GS to send round update   Finance   * Performance take up a lot of time * Supported Durham Johnston to go to schools nationals. * Very touch and go for performance finances, need to look into sponsorship. * LBJ to support with sponsorship and ask for videographer and graphics support from BOL. * MC to open separate bank account. * JM in discussions with someone at work around supporting business and governance work on the board.   Working as ONE   * In person date: GT coordinate RMB and JS to coordinate EN staff members. * Aim for end of May.   BOL Update   * GT really positive meeting and really promising moving forward. * Communication being the main issue so JF to streamline that. * Follow up stakeholder meeting happened on 06/03/23. * ND were very accommodating and great to have conversations as more open than they have ever been before. * Thursday night is the only issue, in terms of the county and regional performance clashes so only one that might require support.   ONE Awards   * 3rd June at the Grand Hotel, Gosforth * Mad scrambling for venues at the start, thankfully got into the Grand as other venues were charging for room hire so prices were beyond crazy. * How do we recognise those who have been involved in NetballHer * Walking Netball and Back to Netball Award Introductions * Chat to Michelle around budget for ONE Awards   AOB   * Netball Her * Congratulations and well done to Leah for her success at Europe Netball and getting gold with England Netball. |
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