Minutes of the HVA AGM, held on 3rd June 2009, 8pm, at Rudolf Steiner School [DRAFT, INCOMPLETE]

Attendance

All clubs were represented:

Minutes of AGM 2008

Accepted.

Committee report

Chairman report

Nothing special to report, business as usual.

Thanks to Geert Alkema, RSS, for providing a classroom for our committee meetings and holding the KO Cup finals.

Secretary report

Business as usual.

Treasurer report

Account are similar to last year:

- breakeven for the year
- KO cup major expenditure

Other remarks

- NVL: additional cost because the Ladies were in the play-offs.
- KO Cup programs were created by professional printers; cost appears on report
- Next year, add cost of giving back something to association members (last year it was scorepads, 3 yrs ago it was a match ball)
- Next year, add cost of investing in new shields and cups...

Recommendation: keep fees unchanged

Committee accepted the accounts.

Committee decided to write off the MK clubs fines (they dropped out of league last year)

Competition secretary report

Mick reported that 156 league games and 15 cup games took place; 5 defaulted, and 4 scoresheet were outstanding.

Mick would like to have a rule to make sure scoresheets are sent to Competition Secretary at least 5 days before KO Cup final so that he has time preparing last result table.

Committee reminded that a scoresheet must still be sent for matches that do not take place.

Website

All fine, nothing to report.

Youth development

- See attached report from Dawn.
- Anyone interested to know about CSN funding, please talk to Dawn

Herts Nomads

- Herts Nomads lost the play-offs and are releagted to National League Div 3
- Always looking for new players; pass-on message to all clubs
- Training sessions, every Thursdays 8pm at Watford, with Pete Brookes.
- Special 6-weeks summer training at Palmiters School, Thursdays 8-10pm. Suggest that coaches can also attend to see a top UK coach, Pete Brooks, in action.
- Talk to Dawn for further details

Decision: HVA will keep its funding of the Herts Nomads

Elections

Position	Candidate	Proposer	Seconder
Chairman	Glynn Archibald	Amanda Higgins	Mick Warnes
Treasurer	Amanda Higgins	Dawn Graceson	Bob Chapman
Secretary	Sebastien Flesch	Alan Wilkins	Glynn Archibald
Competition Secretary	Mick Warnes	Amanda Higgins	Dawn Graceson
Junior Dev. Officer	Dawn Graceson	Alan Wilkins	Amanda Higgins
Webmaster	Mick Warnes	Bob Chapman	Glynn Archibald

All positions were voted unanimously.

League Structure

Men's League: as VK Barnet and RSS want to stay in Div 2, there won't be any relegation in Div1..

There was a certain interest in a mixed division. The consensus was that the mixed division would be a competitive league with fixtures organised by the Fixtures Secretary. There would be a minimum of 2 Ladies on court (Proposal: Bob Chapman, Seconded Mick Warnes).

Action: Change the league entry forms to add Mixed League choice.

Rules

Reformatting of rules: Mick created a new Rules document that reorganises the rules in different categories. Alan Wilkins thanked Mick for his work.

Proposal C5: was discussed but not approved.

Where a club enters teams in different Mens or Ladies divisions, the teams in higher divisions will nominate 6 players who cannot "play down" to teams in lower divisions. Players in lower divisions may "play up" a maximum of 2 separate occasions. Details must be entered onto the scoresheet in the remarks sections as `Match 1` or `Match 2`

Proposal C3:

Clubs must specify their teams and players(including any NVL/SVL Division 1 players male or female) in those teams to the HVA before 30th September.

All approved, except 1 against, 1 abstention. (Proposed Alan Wilkins, Seconded Tim Chandler).

Proposal E1:

All matches are to be played as per FIVB "Rules of the Game"

All approved (Proposed Alan Wilkins, seconded Glynn Archibald).

Proposal E4:

All shirts to be numbered as per FIVB "Rules of the Game"

No change.

KO Cup rule:

"All KO Cup players registered before 1st February must have played at least one game (league or Cup)."

All approved (proposed Amanda Higgins, seconded EB?)

Money rule:

"The HVA reserves the right to refuse the registration of a player who has outstanding debt within the association".

All approved (proposed Richard W, seconded Mick Warnes)

Refereeing in Mens Div1:

Change rule F3 to required two referees instead of one.

Change rule J1: £10 fee + 1pt deducted.

Approved 8, Against 2, Abstention 2 (proposed TC, seconded MW).

<u>AOB</u>

EVA insurance:

Luton have kept on their inquiries with the EVA regarding the EVA insurance provided a part of the registration, but so far the EVA has no returned any useful info.

Insurance was discussed during the meeting in a wider range:

- it was said that sports hall usually required that training session are perfored by qualified coach (level 2 coach)
- there is a need to clarify the position of a club registered with EVA but does not have a registered coach

Recommendation: Luton to carry on their inquiries and try to get a copy of the insurance policy.

Motion: The HVA should write up a formal request regarding the insurance and send to EVA.

Proposed BC, seconded DG, all agreed.

Agenda for next season

Due to the late hour of the meeting, only next years fixtures meeting was decided:

• Fixtures: 9th September 2009

All other meeting to be decided at the Fixtures meeting.

The meeting closed at 11.15pm.