Board Meeting 31st July 2019

Attending

- Keith Loades (KL)
- Steven Mackenzie (SM)
- Daniel Palombo (DP)
- Derek Keir (DK)
 CEO
- Burton Morrison (BM)
- Lyndsey Bradley (LB)
- Sarah Birrell (SB) sportscotland

Apologies

- Wendy Chamberlain
- Jock Turner Chieftain
- John Finlayson (JF)
- Willie MacDonald (WM)

1. Welcome

Bereavements – The Camanachd Association wish to note their condolences to the families and friends of Ken Thomson (Past President), Innes Macrae (Kinlochshiel), Tom MacDonald (Lochaber), John Luke (GMA)

Conflicts of Interest

None noted

Matters Arising

- 1. Minutes of last meetings 29th May 2019
 - a. Proposer SM Second BM
 - b. DK updated website with January and March board minutes
 - c. Management of concerns RR to catch up with WC

d. RR to recommend pilot Clubs to children 1st for the survey

WC RR

- e. Board to review Should we consider the voice of young people at a board level **KL** advised that we should do this through the Shinty Ambassadors.
- f. LB to follow up with Donald Stewart on meeting with Ewen Bowman LB

2. Officials Update

- a. Pressure on referees doubling up on fixtures DK advised that Graham Cormack and Astie Cameron are bringing proposal for South 2 and North 2 clubs to provide their own referee
- b. Lack of goal Judges is also an increasing challenge
- c. LB awaiting results of independent consultation with officials from Neil Macdonald
- d. Referees are not penalising
- e. **Action** LB raising this with Officials committee to encourage referees to be strict in women's game and report any misconduct.

- f. **Action** Board agree for Officiating funding to be used toward GAA Elite Referee training **LB**
- g. **Action** CRA to submit nominations for GAA Elite Refereeing, Recruitment Drive detail, constitution, accounts for CA review **LB**
- h. Action Letter to clubs and officials on language and misconduct KL
- i. Action Share Angus proposal, Pauls email and FA guidance on sin bins
- j. Action Hearing from Rugby at Conference
- k. Action Contact officials and have conversation with LB and DK

3. CEO Update

- a. Action Finance Committee to review Maternity policy and advise on any actions
- **b.** Action Make contact with cottages.com for 2020
- c. Confirmed Board welcome and approve HIS sponsorship for the Sutherland Cup
- d. Women focus Target clubs that don't have female participants
- e. Disclosure Scotland are proposing to deliver a range of positive and proportionate reforms to the barring service in Scotland

f. PVG Update

Process – Parliament considering general principles and agreeing or not/ Amending the bill/ Final consideration process/ bringing the bill into force

Proposals include a mandatory PVG Scheme (not currently mandatory) - Moving forward if the bill comes into force with Royal assent it will be an offence to deploy someone who is banned or not PVG

Regulated work will be replaced with regulated roles

Simplifying Disclosure Products (Digital Delivery)

Membership Length (5 years)

- g. Action DK to share club mark accreditation with board
- h. **Action** Board support aspirations for 3G at Lochaber
- Action Inverness Board commend Graham Cormack for work being done on Inverness

4. Finance

- a. Finalised 2018 Accounts presented and Board approved
- b. Budget 2018 actuals to be updated for next meeting Deborah MacPherson
- c. Action Check Business Club Income

5. Competitions

- a. Action Send letter of thanks to Kilmallie for hosting Sutherland Cup final
- b. Action All board invited to Liberty British Aluminium Balliemore Cup Final
- c. All board invited to commit to one presentation of league trophies

f. AWARDS

- i. Board request that awards are only presented to those attending SM
- ii. Board request that a collaborated presentation is implemented (Coaches of the Year collective photo, or winners from one club) **SM**

6. Communications and facilities

JF

- a. Aaron Macleod has started in post as Communications and Marketing Officer
 - Board confirmed grant to recruit graduate. HIE will fund in the region of or up to 65% of graduate post.

7. Competitions SM

- SM advised that games are progressing well now after a slow start.
- South 2 Questionnaire to be considered

SM

8. Youth BM

a. BM attended Development Team meeting to discuss strong consensus that it is a must that we impose a minimum age for adult shinty due to our Duty of Care to young people

- i. Proposal suggests that Under 16s should be signed off by parent to say we deem this person fit for participating in adult shinty
- ii. DT looking at other sports to find out on minimum age
- iii. BM requested this is a topic for the conference
- iv. Dressing room environment, on the bus are all aspects in addition to the physical side of the game
- v. Children First are an important advocate for putting this forward
- b. **Action -** Graham Cormack to advise on timeline, proposal and insurance considerations
- Action Graham Cormack has shared draft byelaw with KL KL to distribute to board in preparation for AGM

9. **AOCB**

- a. KL has joined committee of Shinty Memories (SCIO)
- b. Check if Gilmour can provide online shop for Scotland Replica strips DK
- c. LB confirmed same kit for Womens and Men's International to be ordered from Gilmore Sports