

Bristol Bisons Committee Meeting

Location: The Vicarage
Date: Tuesday 16th November

Present: Mike *Chairman*
Dean *Secretary*
Keir *Treasurer*
Tom *Fixtures Secretary (Standing in for Rhys)*
Dayll *Social & Membership Secretary*

Apologies: Rhys *Rugby Manager*

1. Welcome by Mike.
2. Apologies.
3. Mike started by going through the minutes of the last meeting, no points rose.
4. **Edinburgh Rugby Clinic**
The meeting was asked how they felt Edinburgh went and where the quiche is currently with Mike, and if we could put this on display in the bear bar.
5. **Follow up from the LGBT Sports Summit & RFU meeting for gay rugby clubs.**
Mike explained about our attending both events after the clinic and why we were there, on the Tuesday we attended the pre-launch of the LGBT History Month then on the Wednesday we attended a meeting with the RFU and looked at the Gay Clubs in the UK and how the RFU could support them, we decided at the clubs should buddy up we have been budded up with the Kings Cross Steelers. Also there is going to be a rugby event in Derby played against the newest team (Panthers RFC) and the oldest team (Kings Cross Steelers). Minutes of the RFU meeting to be sent to the committee.
6. **Union Cup 2011** Dean mentioned about the coach idea against flying. A general discussion about the coach. Keir suggested we break down the costs of the tour. We are going to create a Facebook event. We have decided that there would be a £50 deposit to be paid by the end of the January for those wanting to go. Ashley is to look at fundraising for the tour. Tom is to also check on the accommodation. Mike and Dean to talk to Gareth. Tom did ask if any of the Cardiff players could join us at the Union cup if they would like to, also Dayll asked if they could come to a few training sessions.
7. **Development plan – away day.** Rhys has drafted the development to which Mike thanked him. Mike went through the general idea behind the development plan and how this is going to go forward. Mike suggested we open up the away day to the whole club to help develop it on an away day. Mike has been approached by an external body about setting up a day, we came up with a few ideas. Possibility to do Jungle Rumble (Dayll to look at prices). Possible meeting at Europa on Victoria Street (Dean's Office). The date decided upon for the club development day is 15th January 2011.
Training dates over Christmas Period:-
Finish on Thursday 23rd December until Thursday 6th January 2011
Dayll wanted to set up another day like the pride sports day for people to come along and give it a go. (Tom and Dayll to look at this)

8. Club Governance and sub committees

Dean and Mike went through the Management Structure a few amendments were made to the structure and has been agreed by the Management Committee. Dean is to talk to Jerry regarding contacting Dayll.

9. Update from training sub-group

There has not been a meeting as a group yet. There was a meeting set up in Bath but this was cancelled at the last minute. Tom mentioned it would be nice to be prepared before training. A general discussion went on about this. Especially to know what people are doing each week.

10. CASC Dean mentioned about the importance about the incorporation as a Limited Company by Guarantee and gave the committee a general outline of the importance of incorporation and explained that there would be a change in the constitution and how the management structure would also change. Dean will make a formal presentation to the General Committee on Monday 22nd November.

11. Social Events:-

Saturday 11th December, Social Night out in Cardiff (to celebrate Dayll's Birthday)
Christmas dinner has to be decided on Saturday 18th December at Harvey Nichols (Mike to send a reminder to pay the deposit).

Ashley & Dayll to do some fundraising events possible valentine speed dating.

Secret £1 pound Santa before Christmas (possible event after the Christmas meal)

Dean and Mike to speak to Gareth about a Gay Night out.

Poss. Edinburgh & Manchester to come down for a weekend around Feb/March.

Possibility of Summer time events as well.

12. Any Other Business

- a. Membership Certificates to Steve & Nigel. These will be framed at the committee's expense.
- b. Membership fee's a list has been produced and handed to Dayll. Any membership fees not paid before 1st December will exclude that member from playing in any fixtures and will also remove any committee privileges if held from that member. (Mike to talk to members and Dean to produce a list of committee members numbers).
- c. Radio Interview with shout out on BCF radio, they have invited us to attend there radio show on 6th January between 7pm and 8pm.

Meeting closed at 21:06 by the Chairman.

Next meeting will be held on Monday 22nd November 2010 (as a General Committee Meeting).