

Bristol Bisons General Committee Meeting

Location: The Pineapple
Date: Monday 22nd November

Present: Mike *Chairman*
Dean *Secretary*
Rhys *Rugby Manager*
Dayll *Social & Membership Secretary*
Jerry *Membership Assistant*

Apologies: Dan *Captain*
Keir *Treasurer*
Tom *Fixtures Secretary*
Ashley *Fundraising*

1. Welcome by Mike.
2. Apologies.
3. Mike started by going through the minutes of the last meeting, no points were raised.
4. **Presentation by Neil Loader**
Mike explained about Neil's position within the RFU and that he was unable to attend this evening. Dean is to rearrange for Neil to attend another meeting.
5. **Question & Answers Session**
Did not take place due to Neil not being present.
6. **Proposed club governance structure and communications**
Dean and Mike went through the Management Structure a few amendments were made to the structure and has been agreed by the Management Committee. The new structure is to be published on the website and to all members.
The website should start to become more of a centre for our communications.
7. **Update on the CASC and incorporation application forms**
Dean updated the meeting on the current CASC application. The HMRC has a 10 week back log until our application is reviewed, we should hear from HMRC in February.
Dean then went on to explain about incorporation its benefits and downsides being unincorporated. Dean will give a presentation again to the next general committee meeting.
8. **Forthcoming fixtures and events**
A list of fixtures and events are to be published on the website.
9. **Game against Bredon Star**
A general discussion took place about travelling and training.
10. **Christmas dinner and social**
The dinner will be held at the restaurant at Harvey Nichols in Bristol on Saturday 18th December, several members have made their voice heard regarding the venue and menu. This was discussed in length.

11. Union Cup 2011

General discussion took place on the players going to the Union Cup and costs. So far the only costs we have are for travel as details of registration and accommodation have not been published by Amsterdam.

12. Bid for union cup 2013

The Chairman asked the General Committee about their views on us hosting the 2013 Union Cup. The meeting discussed this and agreed we should go forward with this.

13. Any Other Business

No other business was raised.

Meeting closed at 21:06 by the Chairman.