

Ayr Seaforth Committee Meeting

Zoom Call

Monday 10th January 2022, 7pm

Present – Bill Simpson (Club President), Caron Shanks (Club Merchandise) , Conor Rennie (Coaching Coordinator), Jan Burnside (Treasurer), Julie Frew (Membership Secretary), Kenny Neill (Cross Country Secretary) , Laurence Baker (Road Race Secretary), Alan Dunlop (Induction Coordinator), David Phee (Inclusion Officer): Gillian Hannah (Asst Welfare Officer) William Marshall Watt (Secretary – Non voting capacity)

Agenda

- 1. Welcome – Chairperson’s Remarks (to include an update on the Craigie Stadium)**
BS welcomed everyone, seniors held their Iain Baird Handicap, well done to everyone who took part, Indoor meeting at the weekend with a few entrants involved.
Update on Craigie, meeting in December with steering group, there was agreed there was no design changes to put a meeting room in, it only affected us and we were the only one wanting the change.
- 2. Apologies – No apologies**
- 3. Minutes of Meeting 29.11.21**
Corrections, approval of minutes
Proposed - AD Seconded – CR

There was no feedback from email to ask about upcoming coaches courses, Ruth Kirk is still actively looking for training, a bigger pool of names would be welcome to help at events as always asking the same people. CR suggested that we could look at discounted membership if people take up the courses or if some other incentive such as a top after so many meetings. Need to consider if existing coaches who also are members should get some incentive to assist. DP suggested new staff member could get thoughts from coaches about possible ideas for incentives. Any ideas for this to be emailed to William Marshall – Watt

- 4. Business Arising**
- 5. Reports**
 - Secretary

William Marshall-Watt advised been quite quiet due to Christmas and Covid, been working on the recruitment for the new staff member. Moving forward with the advertising and interviews of the post. Good feedback from members and parents on first monthly newsletter. William will still send out emails when required. Still reluctant to get new vests out as still restrictions on trying vests on with indoor space use. Looking to get the new vest as standard when we move to the new stadium. William still has the website to look at but it may be reduced to a recruitment tool as a lot of the info is already shared on facebook and emails to members. OSCR is now open to be looked at for this financial year. Bill Simpson asked if results could still be placed on Website for those not on facebook and to advertise club achievements for new members. Look to put Club Championships on the website as historical data. Need to look at the website and start consulting in future what we need to keep and stay from website.

- **Treasurer**

Jan Burnside shared the report for the month of November, bank statement not available yet for December. Also shared a statement from the Presentation night. There was no issues raised about the reports. Broke even with the Presentation Night (does not include trophies cost)

- **Membership**

Julie Frew advised no major change in membership since last report. All age groups have been updated for upcoming season.

- **Clothing**

No update on clothing.

- **Equipment**

The list on the equipment not done yet but the sheds have been tidied last week by Bill Simpson. It is an ongoing problem with the stores being messy with items not been tidied up properly after use.

- **Road/Hill – Open races/County/District/National**

Laurence hoping to get Land of Burns – 25th May 2021

- **Cross Country – Open races/County/District/National**

Kenny Neill advised that Ben Hall represented Ayr Seaforth at Liverpool, it has been decided to give him the points for attending and make the under 11s 3 events count from the 4 possible races.

- **Track and Field – Open/indoors/County/District/National**

Jan Burnside asked for email to go out to warn of road closures outside of Ayr. Numbers are low from all clubs with competing numbers. Discussion was held about event dates and stated that we should not ask for any events at Dam Park until we know when new facility is in place and we know it is ready.

6. Volunteers Update – Courses/Training etc

- **Coaches**

Touched in welcome conversation

- **Officials**

Touched in welcome conversation

- **Funding – New opportunities**

(plans for the opening of the new Craigie Stadium)

David Phee met with Lynsay McMahon to update her on the current situation with new post as she has replaced Francis Smith at Scottish Athletics. Lindsay was keen to get 2-3 people from the club on the panel along with Lindsay.

Lindsay suggested the post advertised by January, interviews by week beginning 28th February 2022, and decision by March. It would be preferred that the meetings be after 2.30pm onwards to fit with Conors work schedule and Tuesday 1st March would be the preferred date at this stage. Hoping it would be face to face as preference but may be virtual if Covid restrictions would still be in place.

For the rate of pay David Phee suggested 15 hours a week at £14 an hour. This will leave some money for resources, travel, kit for member of staff. This rate of pay was agreed by the committee.

David Phee Volunteer Support Fund sent him dates reports were due to be submitted by. This will be looked at between David, Conor and the new member of staff

7. Senior Update

Kenny Neill still to get an email out to members to see if anyone can assist in the club or have any ideas on where the club should go.

8. Junior Update

Coaches to be contacted to see if any Juniors interested in putting to the club newsletter.

Some of the above could be devolved to sub committees, reporting to the board.

9. AOCB

- **Craigie Stadium Update**

Meeting with council in December, did not get the council to add an additional meeting room. The only area we have for meetings is the reception area or going to the school which is not thought of as ideal.

- **New coach update**
Nothing else to add

- **AGM date**

Proposed date is Monday 21st February 2022 – Zoom meeting

10. Date of Next Meeting – Monday 14th March 2022 7pm.

Members of the Club are welcome to join committee meetings provided advance notice is given to the Club Secretary. Voting by non-board members is not permitted on any motions put forward at board meetings