

B.M.F.A. WESTERN AREA COMMITTEE

Approved Minutes of 26th January 2021 Meeting

Virtual Zoom meeting Held on BMFA portal



Those Present.

S. Kirby	Beaufort MFC	(Chairman)
J. Harris	BRCMAC	(Vice Chairman/Council Delegate)
N White	Woodspring Wings MFC	(Treasurer)
P. Wilson	Bristol Bulldogs	(Secretary)
P. Haxell	Frome MFC	
D. Hanks	SBMAC	
R Muir	Weston MFC	
R Buckley	County MFC	

1. Chairman's Welcome.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 8:10pm and welcomed the eight clubs present.

The Chairman was frustrated by the inability of head office to circulate information for scheduled meetings with sufficient time for the Area to circulate to all the clubs and get any meaningful feedback prior to the Area meeting. This was mentioned in the meeting notes of our previous Area meeting and raised by our deligate. The Chairman asked the Area Delegate to raise it again at the upcoming meeting and also put a sentence in the Western Area report. Hopefully the situation will improve.

Apologies for absence.

J. Stennard (Area Education Officer)

2. Unapproved Virtual notes of 5th January 2021 and matters arising.

With no amendments the Virtual notes offered for acceptance. Proposed by Frome MFC and seconded by BRCMAC agreed by seven clubs with one abstention

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Matters arising.

Brief discussion on budgets and Zoom elements. However these are covered later in the agenda.

3. Review Full Council Agenda for Saturday 30th January 2021 and provide direction to Area Delegate.

Agenda item 3 Members to fill Achievement Scheme Review Committee.

Having reviewed the CV's prior to the meeting and after some discussion the meeting agreed to support the view of the Delegate. This was that Chris Bradbury, Dick Whithead and John Harris should be elected to continue their good work. Joseph Kemp should be co-opted onto the Review Committee because of his support shown to date.

Agenda item 11 Review data from Survey

Agreed the Delegate could only see what happens at the meeting on Saturday as only part of the data was made available but with insufficient time to circulate it to clubs to get a response.

Agenda Item 12 Areas Council Constitution

Some discussion on this relating to timescales for advising Areas of meetings. The Chairman agreed to review the key points and get some notes to the Delegate for inclusion in the Western Area Report prior to the meeting on Saturday.

No other salient points or direction for the delegate

4. Budget and Funding requests for 2021.

Funding requests received from Frome MFC to help support their stand at the cheese show in September 2021 Sum requested was £90.00.

Funding request received from Wessex MFC to support a STEM day at Lavington School. Sum requested was £186.15.

As per last year should any events fail to take place in 2021 the request would be cancelled and would need to be re submitted if required in 2022.

Zoom Funding request. In line with other Area's and advice from head office it was requested that the Western Area purchase an annual licence for Zoom meetings. This would be managed by the Area secretary on behalf of the committee. It would also be made available for any Western Area clubs should they wish to use it.

The Beaufort MFC proposed that we vote for all three funding requests in one bloc, Seconded by Woodspring Wings and accepted by all present.

5. Area auditor (outstanding AGM action).

Following a brief discussion, to the meetings delight. Patrick Haxell the Frome MFC representative agreed to take up the position of Area Auditor. Needless to say this was accepted by all present.

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6. Any Other Business

The Secretary requested that the Area should change the current banking procedure to be fully electronic. Current issues would make processing cheques more difficult. The Chairman and Treasure along with all the clubs present agreed this should be auctioned. The Treasurer agreed to implement the necessary changes. The signatures would be Treasurer and Chairman with the Vice Chairman as backup.

It was noted we are still waiting for head office to release the proposed finance template and budgets for 2021 /2022 this would be raised again at the meeting on Saturday.

7. Date of next meeting.

The next Area meeting will be a Zoom meeting on Tuesday 27th April 2021.
Commencing at 8.00pm.

The secretary will request the zoom session commences at 7:45 with the actual meeting starting at 8pm. This will allow all to connect in and commence the formal meeting at 8.00pm

The Chairman closed the meeting at 08.50.

Peter Wilson
Hon Secretary BMFA Western Area
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