



COMPETITIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday 1 September 2022 at 2pm | Zoom Meeting

Meeting Notes

Members present:

Keith Prentice (Convenor, Director), John McGowan (Umpire Convenor), Kaye Paterson (Umpire Rep), Charlene Graham (Competitions Officer)

In attendance:

Bruce Crawford (CEO Scottish Curling), Graham Lindsay (RCCC Board Chair), Elaine Mills (Scottish Curling), Suzy Wakefield (Scottish Curling)

1. Apologies

Gail Munro

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting (7 July 2022)

These were agreed proposed by KP and seconded by JM

3. Matters Arising

No matters arising

4. Appointment of new committee members

Discussion took place around the appointment of two new committee members and GL referenced what members would need to be in attendance on the call to make that decision. BC stated that those members were present on the call and therefore the quorum of members was correct, and the relevant appointments could be made.

KP raised the question around whether it would be possible to appoint all 3 members who had applied for the committee posts as members of the committee had lessened during his time. The committee discussed this and agreed that once the two posts had been filled and now staff members posts had been filled the committee would be back up to full compliment.

Ka.P suggested to appoint James Hogg and David Ramsay to the committee posts, and this was agreed in a unanimous decision.

ACTION: BC agreed to report these appointments back to the board meeting on the evening of 01/09/22.

ACTION: SW to update relevant email distribution lists and website to reflect these new postings.

GL raised a query around who should sit on the competitions committee and SW requested to confirm the Terms of reference in relation to this and it was agreed that this should include members listed below:

- **Convenor**
- **Board Director**
- **Competitions Officer**
- **Office Manager (to replace Head of Development on this committee)**
- **Member Representative**

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- **Umpire Convenor**
- **Umpire Representative**

It was also discussed that invited guests should be communicated with around meetings they should be attending in relation to David Murdoch (DM) Gina Aitken (GA) and Kyle Waddell who make up the member observers' part of the committee but are non-voting members. It would be relevant to invite them to meetings around national championships or selection policy discussions. SW suggested adding EM onto committee as an observer and this was agreed.

ACTION: SW & CG will communicate with GA & KW to thank them for their contribution and find out if they want to remain in this role and if so, update web page and other relevant documents accordingly to ensure they are included in any future communications and meeting arrangements.

Male / Female Competitor

In relation to competition committee make up male / female competitor JM raised that previous discussions had suggested that male / female was being removed and it should be open to any member. This was brought up in an email previously circulated by Tom, Gavin and Gail.

Competitor with a disability

BC stated that we currently do not run disability events and would therefore not require a disabled member of the competitions committee. It was noted that Isla is working hard with Scottish Wheelchair Curling Association to build relations in that area, and it would be appropriate to review this committee post further down the line.

5. AOCB

KP asked for confirmation start date around Juniors in Aberdeen on 9 November and SW updated to say that the competition will have to start on the Tuesday the 8 November.

ACTION: SW to send confirmation details to KP who will then contact umpires and relevant individuals of change of date

ACTION: SW asked around umpire allocations and KP confirmed that the document is a live working spreadsheet and is subject to change and will send that over to SW for publication.

JM confirmed he should shortly receive WCF confirmations of umpires who have been awarded WCF accreditation for International Representation and this should also be published online when received for the 2022-23 session.

ACTION: JM to send to SW when received

Entries for the Scottish Senior Mens has been extended by 1 week to 9 September, web page updated accordingly.

JM updated on the development works being carried out by Euan Brunton (Flintriver) to improve LSD functionality in the backend of the competitions section of the website. JM has fed back accordingly, hoping to have this completed in time for Umpires day on 11 September. KP suggested paper back up to be taken to first few events if needed.

Committee agreed that all rule changes that had been noted in the meeting held on 7 July 2022 had been approved and accepted.

- Mixed doubles – R16 (l)
- Trial Rule – no Tick-shot rule
- Chief Umpire – C10 (f)

ACTION: KM to go back to Alan Stanfield to confirm

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

TBC – a lot of competitions close 30 September so once that has happened another meeting will be arranged to confirm draws

ACTION: SW or CG to confirm next date when appropriate