

AU AGM 15/03/2011 MINUTES

AU Exec Attendance:

Ashley Armitage; Ashley Lord; Robyn Challands; Sophie Darragh; Thomas Townend; Victoria Dean.

Attendance:

American Football; Athletics; Badminton; Basketball Mens; Boat; Cheerleading; Clay Shooting; Cricket; Figure Skating; Football Mens; Hockey Mens; Hockey Womens; Ice Hockey; Ju Jitsu; Lacrosse Mens; Lacrosse Womens; MMA; Netball League; Netball Squad; Riding; Rugby Union Men; Tennis; Ten Pin Bowling; Trampoline; Ultimate Frisbee.

Not In Attendance:

Archery; Boxing; Canoe; Dancesport; Fencing; Football Womens; Golf; HYMS; Karate; Mountaineering; Rugby League; HUSSKI; Squash; Sub Aqua; Swimming; Volleyball.

Apologies:

Golf

VP Sport Report:

Events Review –

- Successful AU Bazaar in Freshers Week, thanks to those who helped out on the day.
- Membership is up 10% on last year, higher than set target.
- Super Teams scheduled for October, had to be moved due to un-foreseen circumstances.
- Naked Calendar – Thanks to Robyn for organising, and to the clubs that took part.
- AU Ball – Huge success, thanks to those in attendance. For the first time the raffle money was donated to charity (Children In Need and Movemeber) due to excellent organisation.
- Clubs putting on charity events – Netball Squad played Hull KR, Charity Hockey day organised by Womens Hockey, and £1355 raised by Mens Rugby Union at their annual Man Auction, thanks to all the clubs for organising, and to those who took part.
- Successful refreshers fayre, where more members were signed up.
- Varsity was successfully brought back, especially considering the short time in which it was organised. Overall loss of 60-25, but these results will hopefully be built upon next year, thanks to all that took part. Notable performance from team of the weekend Ultimate Frisbee, and from Mens Basketball who won 110-59.
- Upcoming Events – Trophy Pres 13 May, was intended to be elsewhere but not feasible, will again be in Staff House; Dodgeball is 30th March in Asylum, Superteams is 6th of April.

BUCS Review –

- 5 Semi finalists in cup last year, 4 this year.
- 2 finalists going to York for Northern Conference Cup Finals Day – Men's Fencing and Ladies Basketball.
- A number of teams with the potential to be promoted in the last 2 weeks of the season inc. Men's Rugby Union, Ladies Hockey, Men's Hockey, Men's Fencing and Men's Badminton.
- Congratulations to Men's Tennis 2nd team, and Women's 1st team on their respective promotions.

Club Reviews –

- Was decided against choosing a few random clubs to do a yearly review as not enough notice had been given to prepare them.

Elections

VP Sport announced an extension to current AU Executive committee, to widen volunteering participation.

Elections began –

Secretary:

- Candidate(s) – Paul Harsent (Men’s Lacrosse)
Magid Mah (MMA)
- Speech from Magid Mah
- Speech from Paul Harsent
- 3 Questions posed to both candidates from Ashley Armitage–
 1. The AU Secretary is often a supporting role, how do you think your previous experiences would aid you in doing this?
 2. Please briefly outline the Union Colours policy?
 3. If you could be a member of the AU Allstars, which would you be and why?
- Both Candidates left the room, positive remarks were invited from the floor.
- Paul Harsent Elected AU Secretary.

Treasurer:

- Candidate(s) – Tom Kharchi (American Football)
- Speech from Tom Kharchi
- 2 Questions posed to candidate from Thomas Townend and Ashley Lord –
 1. How would you ensure you were able to fulfil your duties as secretary, as like me, you play a silly sport where injuries are common?
 2. What would you spend your last £10 on?
- Due to only one candidate standing, it was asked if there were any objections to the election – no objections.
- Tom Kharchi Elected AU Treasurer.

Communications Officer:

- Candidate(s) Toby Carr-Brown (Men’s Hockey)
- Apologies given for non-attendance on behalf of candidate from Ashley Lord.
- Positive remarks made from Tom Downes and Ashley Lord.
- Due to only one candidate standing, it was asked if there were any objections to the election – no objections.
- Toby Carr-Brown elected AU Communications Officer.

Events Officer:

- No Candidates standing, decision to be made on when to re-open this election.

BUCS Rep:

- Candidate(s) – Jez Horsell (Women’s Lacrosse)
Dan Marsh (Men’s Hockey)
- Speech from Jez Horsell
- Speech from Dan Marsh
- 3 Questions posed to both candidates from Sophie Darragh –
 1. What does BUCS stand for?
 2. There has been an issue with match cards not being signed and filled in properly leading to issues with wrong scores, what would you do to combat this issue?
- Both Candidates left the room, positive remarks were invited from the floor.

- Jez Horsell Elected BUCS Rep.

Kit Rep:

- Candidate(s) – Clare Price (Riding)
- Speech from Clare Price
- 2 Questions posed to candidate from Ashley Lord and Ashley Armitage –
 1. If you could choose between stock kit with 2 week turnaround, or bespoke kit with 8-10 week turnaround, which would you choose and why?
 2. If you could be an item of clothing which would you be and why?
- Due to only one candidate standing, it was asked if there were any objections to the election – no objections.
- Clare Price Elected Kit Rep.

Tour Rep:

- Candidate(s) – Tom Downes (Men's Hockey)
- Speech from Tom Downes
- 2 Questions posed to candidate from Ashley Lord and Thomas Townend –
 1. If a club came to you suggesting they did not want to come on the full AU Tour, how would you respond to that, and what would you do to help them?
 2. If you had to give a quote to Sky News whilst on Tour what would it be?
- Due to only one candidate standing, it was asked if there were any objections to the election – no objections.
- Tom Downes Elected Tour Rep.

Varsity Rep:

- Candidate(s) – Mark Weighill (Men's Cricket)
- Speech from Mark Weighill
- 2 Questions posed to candidate from Ashley Lord–
 1. Do you think Varsity should be on a weekend, or weekday, and at what time of year do you think would be best to hold it?
 2. Do you think there should be multiple teams from each sport playing?
- Due to only one candidate standing, it was asked if there were any objections to the election – no objections.
- Mark Weighill Elected Varsity Rep.

A.O.B

- Deadline for Tour Shirt names and designs has passed, please ensure they are in ASAP.
- Entries for teams playing in the competitions on tour to be submitted ASAP.
- Kit – VP Sport meeting with different companies with regards to next year.
- Trophy Presentation – Nomination forms for club and overall trophies to be submitted before 28th March.
- AU Council – Friday 25th of March, time and place TBC.
- Team Photos – Time slots to be organised ASAP with Comms and Events officer.
- Associate Membership forms for tour to be in ASAP.
- February Player and Team of the Month nominations to be submitted by 23rd March
- Note on upcoming charity event for Comic Relief on 18th March, tickets for Netball Match and Raffle can be purchased now.

Thanks from VP Sport to all in attendance, meeting adjourned.