



South Wales Regional Athletics Council

Date: Friday, 26 April 2024

START: 6pm

END: 7:45

Venue: Cardiff International Sports Complex, Leckwith, Cardiff

Chair: Kyle Perry (Secretary)

Minutes

Attendees: Kyle Perry (**Secretary / Barry & Vale Harriers**), Fred Malkin (**Barry & Vale Harriers**), Rowland Williams (**Pontyclun**), Pete Morris (**Life Member**), Lorraine Price (**Cardiff Athletics**), Ron Morris (**San Domenico**), Chris Pratt (**Ogmore Phoenix**)

Apologies: Steph Iverson (**Bridgend Athletics**), Jen Stone (**Treasurer**), Dawn Meynell (**Welfare Officer**), Graham Finlayson (WA President / Cardiff Athletics), Cathryn Alford (Rhondda Athletics), Pete Gregson (**Cardiff Athletics**), Paul Davies (**Aberdare**), Colin Froley (**Hill & Mountain Officer**)

1. Chairman

- Lee Hayward stepped down as chair as of 16th April.
- Thank you to Lee for his contribution to the region, the work that he has put in to the Track & Field competitions across the junior league, YDL, regional and inter-regional competitions should be given the respect he deserves and as a region we wish him well for the future.
- **PROPOSALS FOR NEW CHAIR:** Chris Pratt of Ogmore Phoenix put himself forward to take over as the regional chair without opposition and all in attendance agreed that he will be a great addition to the region.
- **VOTE:** 7 - 0 in favour of Chris Pratt stepping in as acting Chair until the next Regional AGM in June 2024 where his appointment can be ratified.

2. Secretary

- Secretary to continue in a limited capacity continuing too arrange meetings, continue to pass on information to clubs and share competition information via Facebook etc.
- Secretary will focus more on own clubs needs moving forward but will continue to support the region where time allows.
- Secretary to support with the storing of medals, vests and equipment etc.
- Treasurer (Jen Stone) has agreed to continue in role to make payments and provide updates on the regions financial position but will not be able to attend meetings.

3. Regional Meeting Format

- With the appointment of a new chair the format of the meetings will remain.

4. Regional Championships (Multi-discipline)

- Arrangement of regional events will need to be done either by officers in post or as a team effort.
- Medals for regional championships across the disciplines will need to be taken on by clubs and athletes rather than regionally run.

5. Junior League Fix 2, 3 & 4

- The points system was not put in place correctly for fixture 1 and a new one is needed for Fix 2. Discussions had regarding an A/B points scoring system but nothing agreed and further discussions needed.
- Limited places for athletes in events. Who is controlling this? It was suggested that it was Darran Williams of Welsh Athletics that has set the limit. Lorraine Price of Cardiff Athletics will contact him to remove these

limits as this was the agreement of the region when setting up the league.

6. **AOB**

- The Inter-Regional Track & Field needs sorting.
- Team Managers are needed asap
- Travel to North Wales via coach is the best option and Lorraine Price is to get a quote for this.
- Officials will be needed.

7. **Date and venue of next meeting**

- Suggestion for a fixed central venue moving forward given the same people attend each meeting. Pontyclun is the most central location. Rowland Williams is to contact the school to see if the next meeting can be held there. If not, then Rhondda Fire Station may be the most central location for those who regularly attend.
- Suggestion for a fixed day and time. A Tuesday works for the majority of people at 6:30.
- Next meeting to be held on Tuesday 14th May @ 6:30pm. Venue Y Pant Comprehensive School, Pontyclun, CF72 8YQ.
- Following meeting is the AGM and will be held on Tuesday 11th June @ 6:30. Venue will be Cardiff International Sports Complex, Leckwith, Cardiff.