MINUTES OF MEETING OF SLEA PADDLERS HELD ON 26 SEPTEMBER 2010

1. Present

- Barry Mair
- Patricia Matthews
- Kevin Matthews
- Dane Butler
- Adam Callaby
- Alison Callaby
- Steve Callaby
- Bev Russell
- Paul Pattinson
- Elaine Grainger
- Megan Hird
- Ben Holden

2. Apologies

There were no apologies

3. <u>Minutes of Previous Meeting</u>

The minutes from the previous meeting of the 8 July 2010 were accepted as a true record proposed by Bev Russell and seconded by Alison Callaby.

4. Matters Arising

- i) Dane Butler confirmed that no money had been paid to the Scouts. He is hoping that this is not going to happen but there is still a possibility.
- ii) Insurance: Barry Mair confirmed he had received two quotes one for £800.00 and one for £620.00. The third quote never arrived. He confirmed that he had accepted the second quote from Noble Marine and was sorting out the insurance for the boats.
- iii) Lottery Funding: Barry Mair confirmed that he had now sent all the paperwork through to the providers. It is a stipulation that all paperwork must be kept for 6 years.

5. Welcome

The new members of the Committee Paul Pattinson and Elaine Grainger were welcomed to the meeting and all present wished Alison Callaby a very happy birthday

6. Treasurer's Report

Dane Butler reported that he has £404.00 cash in hand, however £60.00 of that is to go to cover child safety matters which means that there is £344.00 in cash. There is £2,114.00 in the Bank. This does not take into account the £604.00 which we have recently paid for insurance, which means there is in effect £1,510.00 in the Bank.

Dane Butler confirmed that the next major spends for the Club will be the BCU Affiliation and also the insurance.

The Report was proposed by Kevin Matthews and seconded by Steve Callaby.

7. Membership

Alison Callaby reported there were no changes in the membership. No new members have been added. Dane Butler confirmed however he does have 5 membership forms which means we possibly have 70 members.

8. New Fees

Current Arrangements:

<u>Peot sessions</u>: We currently charge £3.00 for the first paddler and 20.00 for each paddler of the same family thereafter. We need to ensure that we make £25.00 to pay Hazel the Life Guard.

<u>Wednesday evenings:</u> we charge £4.00 if someone is borrowing kit and £2.00 for their own kit. However, if there is a family who are borrowing kit then we charge £4.00 for the first family member and £2.00 thereafter.

The present annual membership fees are as follows:-

Adult

£12.00

Child

£ 8.00

Family

£24.00

Scout members are free

A discussion took place as to whether the Scouts should pay.

After much discussion the following <u>annual membership fees</u> were agreed:-

Future Arrangements:

•	Adult fee	£18.00
•	Child fee	£12.00
•	Scout fee	£ 6.00
•	Family fee	£36.00

This was proposed by Megan Hird and seconded by Dane Butler.

River Trips:

£5.00 per person if borrowing a kit and £3.00 if not borrowing a kit. Coaches not to pay for river trips.

Pool Sessions:

Pool sessions will be as follows:-

- £4.00 for the first family member
- £3.00 thereafter with a cap of £10.00 for the family

Wednesday Evening sessions will be as follows:-

- £4.00 if borrowing kit
- £2.00 without borrowing kit

However, if there is a family borrowing kit then it will be:-

- £4.00 for the first family member
- £3.00 thereafter with a cap of £10.00 for the family paddling.

The proposals in relation to pool sessions, river trips, pool sessions and wednesday evening sessions were proposed by Kevin Mathews and seconded by Paul Pattinson.

It was agreed that the pool fees would take effect immediately and notice in relation to the new fee structure will be given at the AGM.

9. Future Events

Surf Competition on Sunday 5 September to be followed by a barbecue.

Pool Sessions: Alison Callaby has already sorted out pool sessions and has emailed all members with future dates.

25 to 26 September is a weekend trip to Llangollen. It will be up to Kevin Matthews as to who will be allowed to paddle on the weekend. Alison Callaby confirmed she would send an email out to all paddlers and asking anyone interested to contact Kevin.

10. Coaching Development Officer

Kevin Matthews reported that we need to have a named coach for each pool session. He presented the following list.

 18 September Kevin Matthews 16 October Dane Butler Barry Mair 23 October 6 November Steve Calaby Philip Matthews 27 November 18 December Kevin Matthews 4 December Dane Butler 11 December Barry Mair

Kevin Matthews then reported on the Club forums and provided information in relation to child protection. He referred to the terms of reference, which shows the ratio of coaches to students. We must ensure that we stick to their level of coaches and coaches do not take paddlers on grades of water that is above their coaching status.

Kevin Matthews wished to make all aware that if anything were to happen such as a serious accident and we had chosen not to follow the advice of the BCU in relation to the level or grade of water or the ratio of paddlers to coaches then we would not get any support whatsoever from the BCU and we would be completely on our own.

Kevin Matthews also reported that we need to change the Consent Forms warning people that adults and children would be changing together in the changing room. Bev Russell also agreed to her contact number being put on the forms as the Child Protection Officer.

It was agreed that when parents bring to pool sessions then the parent must remain in the changing room with the child.

Kevin Matthews will organise a Coaches Meeting.

11. Child Protection

Bev Russell confirm she has nothing to report.

12. Any other Business

Barry Mair reported that he wished to encourage more members to become BCU members and he is trying to push this through the website.

Barry Mair also stated he intended to stand down as Chair at the AGM but he wished to stay on the Committee.

Alison Callaby reminded everyone about the Surf Competition and the Barbecue which will take place at the Scout Hut.

Elaine Grainger mentioned how she had noticed how badly people are treating the equipment when they borrow it on a Wednesday evening. It was agreed that it should be made clear to paddlers that they are to bring the equipment straight back to the trailer after they have finished paddling. Elaine Grainger suggested that we should prepare a rota to ensure an adult was always available to check the equipment as it is put away. It was agreed that this will take effect from next year.

As far as the pool sessions are concerned it was confirmed that the beginners would come for the first hour and the more advanced for the second hour but this second hour must include some free time for the coaches.

There will be a meeting at the Scout Hut on 12 September at 10.30am to sort out the kit.

FSRT

As far as the EART course is concerned Kevin Matthews confirmed he is still looking into this but we haven't been able to get anyone to run the course for us. Megan Hird has expressed an interest in doing her level one coaching but she needs her EART first of all.

FERT

13. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on the 4 November 2010.