

## ASA SOUTH EAST REGION

### SHADOW MANAGEMENT BOARD

Notes of meeting held at Spectrum Leisure Centre, Guildford on Tuesday 27 July 2004, commencing at 7.30pm and concluded at 9.35pm.

**Present:** Roger Prior (Chairman), John Davies, Daphne Geer, Lis Hartley, Ray Hedger, Janet Holdstock, Mike Lambert, Alan Lewis, Eddie Lyne, Trevor Marshall, Bob Moys, Roger Penfold, Peter Shaw, Terry Ward

**Also present:** David Sparkes (Chief Executive, ASA), Helen Mack, Mark Spelman (Regional Development Officers, ASA)

#### *Action*

#### **26 PRESENTATION BY D SPARKES**

David Sparkes (Chief Executive, ASA) gave a presentation on his vision for the future direction of, and the emerging and evolving agenda for, the sport, with particular reference to the new regional bodies. He outlined the strands of activity which the sport, and the regional bodies, would need to embrace – talent, health and education – and the likely responses in each of these fields. He put forward his expectations about the management, democratic and partnership arrangements in each of the regions, which could be achieved with the passage of time. He pointed out the challenges accepted, and progress already made, in various areas, and the sources of funding which could be, and had already been (in some cases), tapped.

He believed that the establishment of the new regions was an exciting and crucial time in the development of the sport, with many new challenges to be embraced.

The Chairman, on behalf of the Board, thanked Mr Sparkes for taking time to deliver his presentation, which gave plenty of food for thought. In turn, Mr Sparkes indicated that he would, subject to availability, be pleased to return to the South East to address wider groups, for example representatives of clubs.

*RFP to circulate presentation, seek dates for further meeting*

#### **27 NOTES OF MEETING HELD ON 8 JUNE 2004**

Confirmed as correct record

*ML to place in public area of website*

#### **28 MATTERS ARISING**

##### **20 Circulation of information**

Mike Lambert advised that he had arranged with the webmaster for the relevant material to appear on the SCASA website.

## **20 Members' expenses**

Helen Mack circulated expenses' claims' forms at the end of the meeting.

## **29 SUB-REGIONAL STRUCTURE**

The Board considered further a report by the Secretary, flagging up issues about a sub-regional structure for the sport, post 1 October 2005, a matter deferred at the last meeting. The Secretary referred to his e-mail of 02.07.04, in which he sought to summarise the views he had received from Members on the issues raised in the report.

Following further discussion, it was

### **AGREED:**

- 1 To establish a series of geographically based sub-regional organisations, to work in partnership with the Region to deliver the Region's work programme. *Consult on these decisions in due course*
- 2 To recognise that such organisations should be similar to the present county associations, save that the organisations should not be focussed solely on the provision of competitions.
- 3 To accept the principle that sub-regional organisations/county associations shall have boundaries coterminous with the boundaries of one or more county sports' partnerships.
- 4 To request the Berkshire & South Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire & North Buckinghamshire County Associations to report to a future meeting on whether/how the principle in 3 above can be implemented in Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire. *RFP/PDS to discuss/progress*

## **30 DISCIPLINE WORKING GROUPS**

The Secretary circulated a schedule showing the nominations received from county associations for persons to serve on the discipline working groups. Mike Lambert reported Hants' nominations at the meeting. Janet Holdstock advised that Sussex' nominations were being cleared with the persons

concerned. Daphne Geer reported that Kent personnel had sought further information about venues, times etc of meetings.

The possibility of telephonic (ie conference calls) meetings was raised.

It was observed that there had been no nominations, to date, for the Open Water Working Group.

**AGREED:**

- 1 That the Secretary recirculate the schedule when all nominations are received.
- 2 To approve telephonic meetings of working groups, if such meetings prove cost neutral or cheaper than face to face meetings.

*DG/JH to pursue nominations from Kent, Sussex  
DG/LH/ML/  
EJL/TM/RF  
P/RGP to note*

**31 OTHER BUSINESS**

**A ASA Committee**

Ray Hedger reported on decisions taken by the ASA Committee at its meeting in July 2004, and in particular:

- protocols affecting shadow representatives on the Committee
- the draft generic regional constitution
- the identification of budget holders in each shadow region
- membership of the ASA Committee, for the period 2005 to 2008 – each region to have one seat.

**B Governing bodies – success criteria**

The Secretary circulated copies of the report by Deloitte Touche, commissioned by UK Sport, aimed at providing advice to governing bodies on the successful operation of their organisations. He felt that this would be particularly pertinent to the work of the Organisation & Administration Sub-Group.

*O&A Sub-Group to note*

**C County sports' partnerships**

Mark Spelman circulated various papers on the development and future of county sports' partnerships.

*All to note*

**D Voluntary sector**

Roger Prior indicated that he would report to the next meeting on the conference “Leadership in the Voluntary Sector” which he had attended as a representative of the Board. *RGP to draft report*

**E Sport England South East**

Helen Mack undertook to circulate newsletters from Sport England South East. *HM to arrange*

RFP  
29.07.04