

Crewe and Nantwich Korfball Club [CaNKorf]

Minutes of executive committee meeting held on Tuesday 22nd November, 2016

1. APOLOGIES AND ATTENDANCE LIST

✓	James Falvey	Chair
Apols.	Rob Barlow	Treasurer
✓	Eleanor Hopkins	Development Officer / Coach
✓	Ed McCauley	Secretary (minutes)
✓	Tim Bowen	Social Co-ordinator (<i>from item 4a</i>)
✓	Neil Sarginson	Team Manager / Safeguarding Officer
Apols.	Jo Roper	Recruitment & Retention Officer

Consideration would be given to the scheduling of meetings to ensure a sufficient level of attendance.

2. MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held in August 2016 had been approved and circulated.

3. FINANCE

No report was given. A discussion regarding equipment purchases would be held over to the next meeting.

In response to a query from the Committee it was confirmed that no payment had yet been received from Barlaston First School in respect of post hire.

NB: an outstanding item from the previous minutes regarding a review of the fee structure was no longer directly relevant as the club was not moving training to Reaseheath, although the fee structure would be kept under review.

4. DEVELOPMENT

a. Reaseheath

Four taster sessions had been held at Reaseheath, which had proved a success in attracting three new members to the Club. It had been decided, however, that the hall could not be used as the Club's regular training venue as there were several weeks during the spring when it was unavailable and it was too small. The Committee was keen to run a series of taster sessions again next autumn as a recruitment activity.

ACTION: for the Committee to plan ahead to organise a series of taster sessions at Reaseheath College in the autumn of 2017, including, if possible, a presence at the fresher's fair.

b. Recruitment

A discussion was held on potential recruitment activities. Word-of-mouth had been the most successful method and using Facebook advertising, for example, was thought to be ineffective for the Club's catchment area and would not be pursued. The EKA's Inspired scheme, which involved an experienced 'Ambassador' from the area providing support for obtaining accreditation, would be investigated as a potential development route.

ACTION: Secretary to investigate EKA Inspired scheme.

5. LEAGUE AND COMPETITIONS

- Team Selection

The gender disparity in club members meant that there was a surplus of boys, which led to regulars often having to play as substitutes. In the move to recruit more players a situation whereby a potential new recruit had gone straight into the team was unfair on those who attend training on a regular basis.

It was therefore agreed that attendance at training should have an impact on team selection. The Team Manager would look across several fixtures and request availability from players, using responses to inform team planning.

ACTION: Team Manager to send a message to all club members about the approach to team selection and to request availability across several fixtures.

6. COACHING AND TRAINING

- Guest Coaches

As discussed at the last meeting, opportunities for other members of the Club to coach a training session were available. The Chair, Team Manager and Social Co-ordinator all offered to coach a session and would speak with the Coach to arrange dates.

(ACTION)

7. OTHER REPORTS

- a. Safeguarding

Only one under-age player was active at the Club and transport arrangements were currently made with the Chair. Consideration needed to be given to occasions when a lift was required and the Chair wasn't available.

ACTION: Safeguarding Officer

- b. Chair

No report was given.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- The Club was invited to participate in Castle's Christmas Hat tournament on Tuesday 13th December. In order to encourage participation the training session at Malbank would be cancelled.
- A Christmas meal social event would be arranged by the Social Co-ordinator at the Wilbraham Arms. A Wednesday was suggested as the most convenient date and a request for availability would be circulated (**ACTION**).
- A refereeing course may be arranged during the course of the year. Both the Team Manager and Social Co-ordinator were interested in attending.