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Executive Meeting

23rd October 2011

Drybrook Band Room 10am

1. Present - Chairman – Mike James; Secretary – Dave Harding; Treasurer – Mark Windsor; Vice Chairman – Robert Folland; Karin Lythell; Roger Stratford; Hugh James; Carole Warren;

1.1 Apologies – Robert Morgan ; Fred Pensom; Adrian Bodenham;

2. Confirm Minutes of Previous meeting

Minutes confirmed and signed.

3. Matters Arising

All covered on the Agenda

4. Finances

Current: £2481.73 including W of England Cheque & all entry fees for Nov. Contest except GCG
Deposit: £3269.85

Subs increase for 2012 had been sent out via email to all bands.

DH

Nov Expenses:

Theatre Hire was £200+ above February price with total over £1100. Each room was now £330.
Invoice had overcharged by an hour – new invoice to be requested.

DH

5. Correspondence

There had been no correspondence.

6. Youth Band

Blast Off 6th November 2011

Those available: RM, MW(part day), RS, Mrs S, CW, RF, KL, DH

Bands would run from 12-4pm with a concert by GBBA at 3.30pm for all to watch.

Steve Legge to contact Kevin White with regard to music.

KL

Request again that a county peri was with the Training Band as well as GBBA assistants.

KL

Risk assessment copy to be seen.

KL

AB absent so unsure whether he had contacted SL re First Aid course. AB had not seen RF for CRB completion.

KL

SL to provide admin for the next course with lists of children/contact details.

KL

£5 to be paid by all even if they belonged to another county organisation as it is a spate event not covered by £120.

7. Website

Stats. for Sept 21-Oct 21 showed 345 visits with 436 page views and 228 unique visitors.

HJ would be updating the 75th page and clarified the charities and sponsors. He would add directions and reasons for using the Larruperz Centre in Feb 2012.

HJ

8. November Contest – 20-11-11

i. Costings: £100 profit could be made if Hall reduced fee.

DH

Decision not to have flowers on cost. There would not be room in the Larruperz.

£180 put aside for Gym hire

£250 Adjudicator Stephen Roberts

£100 Compere

£300+ Percussion

£90 programmes

£70 medals

Trade stands – Frank Fiddler, Eventz, Mr Tuba, MMI Music – to arrive at 9.30am

£50 advert from New Moon received.

Entry - £6. New sign to be made.

DH/MW

Programmes - £1

ii. Catering – Forest of Dean Brass

RS

iii. Draw/Admin

MJ/KL

iv. Wristbands – enough for this contest. More of a second colour would be required for Feb

v. Staffing – to be co-ordinated. White shirts, with ties to be given out on the day.

RF

Weenie & James to be asked to Steward.

KL

Photographer to be sourced.

KL

vi. City of Bristol trophy – email supplied.

CW

viii. Section D – Open adjudication. A, B, C closed.

Draw timings:

Section D	Section C	Section B	Section A
10.15 Draw	12.00 Draw	1.30 Draw	2.45 Draw
11.00 Start	1.00 Start	2.30 Start	3.50 Start
Results			Results/75 th Draw

Section A – Hyde, Lydbrook, Verwood Concert Brass;

Section B – Bream Silver, City of Bristol, Forest of Dean Brass, GCG

Section C – A.W. Parker Drybrook, City of Oxford Silver, Malvern Hills & District, Nailsworth Silver, Thornbury Town

Section D – Berkshire Youth Band, City of Bristol Training, Croft Mid Band, Lydbrook Training, Lydney Training, Usk Youth

Bingo Balls for 75th Draw

MJ

Jenny to do the draw and sell raffle tickets throughout the day.

Information about the 75th Draw taking place to be provided to bands not attending the contest. **DH**

50 years for Merv Porter. Citation needed.

RS/DH

9. Entertainments Contest – 5-2-12

i. Larruperz Centre booked - £500 all inclusive. Catering & bar manned by centre.

ii. £400 sponsorship from Ross Council received. Probably to be used for event promotion.

iv. Wristbands needed - £150. To be used for 75th as well.

v. Staffing – would be easier as only one entrance to hall. 3 rooms upstairs for changing. 1 downstairs for Contest Control. Possible pre-draw due to limited space.

vii. Philip Harper – adjudicator

viii. Open Adjudication

All bands to receive communication with closing date in December.

DH

Mayor to be asked to present prizes.

DH

10. West of England Council

MJ congratulated W of E bands at Centaur. General discussion followed on the venue. Felt the food facility was poor and there was a lack of seating for tea drinkers. Hall & acoustic was good as were trade stands. Disappointed top tier not open as some liked to view from above.

RM point of 9:2 vote had been misconstrued with the vote having been whether to send a delegate.

Specific points would be answered to Nigel Morgan by Brian Elliott.

GBBA Secretary had not had notification of the AGM as it was an Annual Meeting only – not General.

Chairman as a rolling office was discussed but felt most Associations did not want the position, so better to keep continuity.

Compere discussed but not wanted.

No casting vote at the moment. Hoped that all 12 members would discuss until there was a winning /unanimous vote.

Name was remaining as “The Council of West of England Brass Band Associations”.

At next meeting it was to be asked if the new constitution could be put on the website. Felt the Council needed to be more transparent.

KL

No minutes had been received by DH from the Council for about a year? Explained that DH was no longer on the Committee and minutes were only circulated to the 12 committee members. Other 3 Associations had secretaries as delegates.

After some heated discussions based on secrecy of the Council and the difficulties of the delegates to report back, MJ proffered his resignation and left the meeting. KL felt the delegates needed to be able to make decisions on behalf of GBBA and with its best interests – not everything could be brought back to GBBA for discussion. DH also resigned but was asked to rescind his resignation which he did until after the 75th. MW also said he had thoughts of resigning after the 75th due to the overload of work.

RF (Vice Chairman) then took the Chair and the meeting continued.

11. 75th Anniversary Celebration 2012

“Brass the Baton” was raised. 75th event to be registered as an event.

MW

Norman Jones required a breakdown of funding for the day’s event to consider finance toward the commissioned piece.

MW

A written contract needed to be sent to Philip Harper for £2000 for the GYBB commissioned piece. A similar contract to be sent to Matt Kingston saying that he would provide commission free but it would be funded if finances allowed.

MW

Certificates in frames could not be funded. A photographer was preferred as GBBA would have photo rights to put on web and for bands to download.

DH

Sun Life quotation had been put together by HJ. He asked for information on Sun Life. Given Chis Howley’s number.

Roger Thompson to be contacted re use of W & R music FoC. Possibly downloadable from GBBA or W&R sites.

KL

25 minute turnaround time - 20 minute playing, 5 minutes moving. Start at 10am with massed band around 9pm.

13. Any Other Business

Miners were intending to hold an Entertainment Contest the week after ours in Feb.

NatWest Funding to be looked into for next year.

KL

Hide needed from MJ.

KL

Next meeting in January 2012

Meeting closed at 1.00pm

Minutes agreed & signed