

SKA Meeting 04-May-2026

Attendees:

Craig Stephen (CS) - Chair
 Lauren Bealey (LB) - Secretary
 Ellise Anderson (EA) - Treasurer
 Dan Pratt (DP) - Competitions
 Lily Hart (LH) - Development
 Rob Brewer (RB) - Refereeing
 Sam Stevenson (SS) - Board Member
 Rich Hayward (RH) - Board Chair

Apologies:

Hope Murphy (HM) - Web + Publicity
 Peter Paulina (PP) - Competitions

SKA Board + Exec Meeting 20:00, Google Meet. 03-04-26		
<i>Agenda Item</i>	<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Action</i>
Introduction		
Exec	- Communication + Best way to work - Make sure all of the committee communicates and has support. - Idea of supervision roles for exec for main point of contact. - CS - development / comms - LB - league / refs / coaching - EA - finance / inters - Why? Exec needed because ska have no idea whats going on. - Constitution doesnt have executive roles. Handover had made it clear that exec were leading things. - Strategy required, board involvement, to hold us accountable and challenge the committee. - TM (1 applicant), board (2 applicants). Keen for financial experience. - How active should group chat be? - Season by season AGM and handovers. OR outcoming committee should be doing their roles until x date, without help from incoming	- Up for review.
Chair	- Member communication - SKL players don't understand the SKA, who they are or what they do. - Aim to retain retired players - Website to be used more and regularly	- Invest in a platform to communicate. - Monthly newsletter to

	updated. - RB document templates for consistency.	clubs - mailchimp (free). - Announce committee on website/ig. - RB to send out.
Secretary	- SKA Calendar - please use. - Google drive organising. - Convenience? - Speak to board as they were thinking similar - Could do this all from a shared folder????? Efficiency - Everyone to use a shared folder. - Is this a board responsibility or mine? - Comms are the most important.	
Treasury	- Crowdfunder - Sponsorship ideas, may be too late for this season. - Budget for accounting software/google workspace - zoho books. Edi city player fees not invoiced. - Extra £2500 donated for internationals, in savings account. - Want to go season by season.	- DP to send player figures for invoice -
League	- League proposal run through - RB references to % number playing up/down rules - - Proposal not to go straight to clubs, thinking. - Named players not huge issue if done right. - Potential for people to take piss, but plateau of people most important. Expecting pushback from clubs. Need to make sure strategy aligns with league direction. Happy to explain to clubs. - Changes to hall layout - nothing about spectators, need to add clarity about spectators either side of the jury table. - League division structure: concerns about teams wanting to play a smaller range of teams. No reason to push ahead if it really disadvantages one club. Happy to change things. Structure can be flexible. - Concerns over travelling longer distances. Scottish league, don't have enough teams for regional league. Don't get to pick who's in your division.	- DP to draw diagrams of spectator positioning. - DP to meet with clubs. Check ins with them, ask general questions and get feedback.

	- dundee / saints have to travel more than other clubs. - League / Player Fees - Budget needed - separate meeting to discuss at a later date. Demand to change how we charge clubs. - Odd funding formula that we charge per team and player - want to charge affiliation fees + league entry. Makes clear what clubs are playing for. Small clubs get hit harder. Getting grants/funding for smaller/newer teams from SKA for certain things. - Timeline for league - 5th june final slides for league + send out.	
Refereeing	- Disparity between money income and outcome refs. Don't want to charge clubs refereeing fees and not use it. Later conversation once budget sorted. - Refing proposal sent to clubs last week. - Ref Clinics, logistics, budget - need to get dates sorted and budget for hall bookings. - Ikf usually happy to give money for reffing. - Ska was built around making korf accessible and easy for students. - Club consultation on refereeing changes	- RB to write proposal for clinics, what, who is needed etc. - CS to email IKF about grants for this.
Development	- Beach update - Trials being held for WC July. - Beach expenses paid. - Ideas but worried about money / members. Ideas and direction need to be informed by membership survey results. - It would be nice for SKA to be advisory to clubs. - Coaching course? Higher level ones. - More female refs? - Beach contracts to be drafted for this year?	- LH to reach out to clubs and ask what they want help with development wise.
Board	- Membership survey results	LB to distribute to committee.
Code of Conduct + Disciplinary Procedures	- Not been sent to clubs or announced. - Edits to be made - plan to compare to other NGBs. - Keen to be a whole committee effort. Need to include Vivek.	
Meeting closed		