Minutes of the 30th meeting of the Management Committee of Scottish Disability Sport held on Tuesday 9 October 2001 at sportscotland, Caledonia House, South Gyle, Edinburgh EH12 9DQ at 18.00 hrs.

1.0 Attendees:
- Richard Brickley, Chairman
- Jim Thomson, Vice Chairman
- Gordon McCormack, Branch Representative
- Gavin Macleod, sportscotland Co-ordinator/Convenor Local Development
- Heather Lowden, sportscotland Liaison Officer

Apologies:
- David Thomson, Treasurer
- Rob Claridge, Marketing & Communications
- Jacqueline Lynn, Convenor Sports Development
- Jen Quinton, Branch Representative
- Anna Tizzard, Athletes Representative
- Cynthia Clare, SDS Administrator

Action

2.0 Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 9 September.
Minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

3.0 Matters Arising from minutes of 23 May
5.2.5. Football strips ordered from FILA had now arrived.

Matters Arising from minutes of 21 June
4.1.3 Chairman to meet with Alan Jones. Chairman

Matters Arising from minutes of 9 September
4.3.3 Lomax Mobility – contact to be made with regards to potential future sponsorship. Chairman
5.2.1 It was noted that the footballers were now not travelling to France and their request was for the footballers to be supported to travel to a Scotland vs England match to be held at Lillieshall in November. Chairman
5.2.4 Chairman to contact Rob Claridge re sponsorship with Clydesdale and Royal Bank. Chairman
5.2.7 Application submitted to Unemployed Voluntary Action for £500 towards the Annual Conference.

5.2.8 TSB report for Year 1 Funding to be carried out.

Chairman

6.2.6 It was noted that the date of 12 November had been set for a meeting between SDS and Scottish Football Association.

Officer Reports

4.1 Team sportscotland Officer – Gavin Macleod

Gavin Macleod spoke to his updated report.

4.2 Sports Development – Jacqui Lynn

No one had attended the Local Development meeting. It was agreed that each co-ordinator would be given a personalised invitation to attend the Conference on the 25 November.

4.4 SC Liaison Officer - Heather Lowden

4.4.1 Heather Lowden reported that the top five sports had been identified in a points system and that due to the fact that there was a close point scoring system that this should be extended to six sports. Those identified being swimming, athletics, boccia, football, curling and bowls. Draft paper would be drawn up on the results and the groupings.

4.4.2 Heather Lowden raised the issue of personal liability for the Management Committee and whether this was adequate. It was agreed that this should be pursued with the current insurers.

Finance

5.1 Chair tabled the financial statement. Following some points of clarification accepted.

5.2 Other financial Issues – Richard Brickley

5.2.1 It was agreed to purchase a number of commemorative plaques to be used as thanks for people working with the Association in the future.

5.2.2 Consideration to be given to purchasing SDS printed ties.

5.2.3 It was further agreed not to pursue at this time lottery application for National Coaching post.

5.2.4 Sports Facilities Programme: document from sportscotland to be circulated and on agenda for next meeting.

Projects and Programmes

6.1 Athletes Committee – Anna Tizzard

6.1.1 Anna Tizzard tabled a paper. Any comments to be submitted to Anna asap.

6.1.2 The second paper on TAP funding, A Guidance Note, had been drafted by Anna and will be circulated to co-ordinators and athletes for their future reference.

6.2 Governing Body Issues - All
6.2.1 Gavin Macleod had met with Jane Scott of the RYA who had concerns with regards to the financial position of the SailAbility programme. The Chairman agreed to raise this issue with Bob Mitchell.

6.2.2 Successful launch of the Bank of Scotland Flying Start Programme.

6.2.3 Discussions held with Scottish Amateur Swimming Association on policy on the transfer of swimmers from one nationality to another, which can only go through on the approval of the home country following a request. Chairman to contact Paul Bush.

6.2.4 Chairman had met with David Fairholm to discuss a number of developments with regard to table tennis. Information on the Table Tennis Leaders Course had now been circulated. It was agreed that the Chairman should approach David Fairholm to find out his interest in potentially taking over as the Table Tennis co-ordinator.

6.2.6 Two learning disability tennis players had attended a tennis tournament in the Czech Republic.

6.2.7 Almost 600 participants, 36 SFA coaches covering sixteen stations at the Football Coaching Day held in Glasgow Green, funded through the Scottish Gas/SFA sponsorship.

6.2.8 Successful golfing project in the West of Scotland.

6.4 November Conference Update

Initial notice of the Conference had been circulated to branches. There should be a request to branches and sports co-ordinators seeking information on what they would like from the Conference.

6.5 Development Planning Update – Jacqui Lynn

Three interviews had taken place for the National Development Officer post and a final interview would be carried out on Friday 12 October.

7.0 Links with external bodies

7.1 BPA – Jim Thomson

7.1.1 Jim Thomson reported on recent information from the BPA on European Funding in the year 2003 for disability sport amounting to 12 million Euros. It was suggested that SDS look at how this may be utilised for branch developments. Heather Lowden would contact Scottish Executive re future funding plans and potential assistance in formulating a submission for grant funding.

7.3 UKSA – Gordon McCormack
EKSA had resigned its membership from the UK body and was seeking options to apply for individual membership of the European Association. Heather Lowden would speak to Michelle Hammond on the UK sporting funding issues and the status of the UK/EK English body. Chairman would respond to Roger Turner’s communication.

**Action**

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Chairman

7.4 Commonwealth Games 2002 – Richard Brickley

A number of swimmers still in contention for selection. Two new bowlers were now under consideration following recent performances and the selection event will be run in the near future.

7.5 Special Olympics Scotland – Gordon McCormack

Publication of the 2003 Special Olympics Newsletter, team selection for European Championships would be completed by February 2002. Negotiating for additional swimming and athletics places for this event.

There was a proposal for SOUK to change its name to Special Olympics Great Britain at a future Extraordinary General Meeting.

7.6 Others

7.6.1 Communication received from Israel, questioning the IPC position with regards to quotas and numbers for minority groups within the IPC sports programme.

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**Reports**

8.1 Domestic Events – All

Angela McCowan and Sean Adams had been nominated for the National Playing Field Association award.

Noted letters from John Oulton thanking for his Coaching Award and Alan Alstead re the Annual General Meeting.

8.1.2 Service to Sport Award – JT agreed to complete the nomination.

8.1.3 Commonwealth Sponsorship Awards – Consideration to be given to BP Amoco, BT as a long term sponsor and EDS for events sponsorship.

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**Any Other Business**

JT circulated paper on Volunteer Employment and Management.

Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday 13 November at sportscotland, Caledonia House, South Gyle, Edinburgh, EH12 9 DQ at 18.00 hrs.