

# PHBA Meeting Minutes

Date – 10/06/2022

Venue – Village Hotel Portsmouth

Attendees – Matt Main (MM), Aaron Geall (AG) & Pete Proud (PP)

Apologies – Owen Devine (OD), John May (JM), Luckman Khan (LK)

Meeting Start – 19:20

Meeting End – 21:00

## Agenda Items.

Points below are the topics discussed during this meeting.

1. Aim & Purpose
2. Insurance
3. Singles League
4. Club Committee Reps
5. Shuttlecocks
6. Division Champions
7. League Format
8. Additional League
9. Match Start Times
10. Growth & Improvement of PHBA
11. Welfare Officer

## Agenda Minutes

### 1. Aim & Purpose

PHBA committee members to agree a statement to summarise the 'what' & 'why' of PHBA Committee. All committee members to discuss and agree.

Suggestion as follows; PHBA is ran by local players to provide both fun and competitive play to all.

### 2. Insurance

MM proposed PHBA returns to BE insurance and would like to take this to a vote.

PP: believes BE only covers names not adhoc players who attend via Pay & Play whereas private insurance covers both.

AG proposed 2022/2023 season would remain as private club insurances but all clubs must submit their club insurance prior to season start date (first league match of the league, not the club).

A buffer to end of October if they miss deadline 1 but cannot play any league matches.

If they fail to submit by end of October the respective club will be removed from the 2022/2023 league.

### 3. Singles League

Suggested this would not take place within clubs current club nights. PHBA would empower players to self-manage their fixtures and book their own courts. Matches limited to 1 hour to help affordability and shuttles will be provided by the players.

Cowplain could host 4 courts of singles per week from 18:00 – 19:00 but court costs to be covered by the players.

Hornean could maybe offer a Tuesday, TBC, but court costs covered by players.

Min interest of 7 players required.

Total points of 2 games to 21.

1 league and from this league we would award, 1<sup>st</sup> man, 1<sup>st</sup> lady, 1<sup>st</sup> junior.

Junior would be allowed if the parent or guardian of the junior was the point of contact and must attend and stay for the duration of the match. TBC.

### 4. Club Committee Reps

All clubs competing in the league must have one club rep who will attend PHBA meetings. If they cannot attend they will send a delegate on their behalf.

If a vote occurs, the club rep or the delegate will vote on behalf of the club and this vote will be final.

### 5. Shuttlecocks

PP advised BWF have approved the use of synthetic shuttles in competitive play at national level including Olympics but do not appear available to the public at present. PHBA will review this agenda item at future meetings and refer to BWF & BE for guidance.

Proposal for 2022/2023 season is to remain to use full feather shuttlecocks for league matches.

Copy of match play speed to be issued to all clubs for guidance.

### 6. Division Champions

PP proposed the use of division champions to help ensure all players have a voice and feedback is obtained.

PHBA have acknowledge the committee is currently a male dominant environment and we should ensure all positions are open and should have a female representative.

This agenda item will be reviewed again approx. December 2022 at a future meeting.

### 7. League Format

Suggestion for 2022/2023 season is to remain in the current format and current leagues.

MD / XD / LD. 4 players per team.

Proposal to also expand the league and introduce a Hybrid Open League. This league will have no restrictions to player ability or pairing logics.

Couple of examples; count players will be permitted to play. A hybrid team could consist of 3 men and 1 lady.

The 4 may not be associated to a PHBA club but would require to be registered to PHBA as a club and provide a copy of their insurance prior to play. They will be treated as a club.

## 8. Additional league

Captured in agenda item 7.

## 9. Match Start Times

MM – 19:00 start time and 7 days a week

PP – this has an impact to club nights.

Suggestion is as follows; PHBA suggest 19:00 as earliest start time but clubs can start earlier but must agree in advance with each opponent and ensure the start time is known. This must be discussed during fixture meeting. If teams cannot make the earlier start time and this is determined at fixture meeting then the match time must start at 19:00.

## 10. Growth & Improvement of PHBA

We discussed how we could widen the player demographic to encompass additional players within different disciplines of badminton such as; Junior League, Disabilities, sexual orientation. PHBA will seek and follow guidance from BE.

## 11. Welfare Officer

PHBA does not have a position for a Welfare Officer and we feel we should create a position and seek guidance from BE and local authorities as required.

## AOB

- It was agreed the main aim for 2022 season is to return to play and provide a league structure.
- Another meeting is required in coming weeks in advance to AGM to finalise some agenda items and undertake a vote.
- Player league fees to be agreed

## Actions

MM – Arrange a session with AG & Andrew Wright to undertake a handover.

MM – Check insurance options for league and any known limitations.

MM – Check constitution in general and on process for new roles.

MM – confirm meeting minutes can be stored on PHBA website.

PP – confirm venue for AGM

PHBA All – Discuss tournament options and running method

PHBA All – Define the role descriptions for each role and agree

PHBA All – league fees for players for 2022/2023 season

## Future Dates

- Meeting required before end of July with all PHBA committee
- AGM to be September 2022.