



Minutes of the British Disability Fencing Association (BDFA) Board meeting held at Moulton College,  
Northampton, NN3 7QL.  
Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2018

Present:

4 elected Board members,  
1 independent Board member

Apologies:

3 elected Board members

Decisions from the Board meeting

REF	MINUTE	ACTION
179	Conflict of interest from 1 person. None in relation to the Agenda.	
182	<b>Finance Situation</b>	
182.1	There are no funds other than ringfenced funds in the account. A new member has come on the Board to specifically help with raising funds.	
182.2	There needs to be a change in the way GB athletes pay for their international competitions. The way it is operating at the moment is unacceptable. Athletes need to pay for their entry in a competition BEFORE the competition. In future invoices will be sent to athletes to cover the initial costs. A second invoice will be sent to the athletes with the additional costs, referee costs, bank charges, etc. once they are known.	
183	<b>Kyoto World Cup</b> Email from Kyoto showing all the athletes booked into one hotel and all the staff and referees in a second hotel 22 k away. Staff are going to be given the equivalent of an oyster card and told to travel by underground to the venue. Chair to write to President of IWAS to complain this is unacceptable.	
184	<b>Junior Fencers</b> Discussion re junior fencers going to adult competitions and the legal situation around safeguarding with them sharing a room with an adult.	
185	<b>Athletes needing a Carer</b> Board should consult with UK Sport to get an independent view on whether an athlete needs a carer and who carer should be.	
186	<b>International Relations</b>	
186.1	Proposed we appoint a replacement to the position of IR officer. Need to check on the status of the position and determine when a replacement can be made.	
186.2	<b>IR Workshop</b> IR Workshop on 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2019. Venue in Loughborough. With UKS.	
187	<b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b>	
	There being no other business the meeting was concluded	
188	<b>DATE OF NEXT BOARD MEETING</b> <u>Doodle Poll in early New Year</u>	
189	<b>CLOSE</b> There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 16.10	