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Minutes of the British Disability Fencing Board meeting held on
Saturday 11th April 2020 at 10:00 by video conference

Present:

- 2 elected Board members,
- 1 Appointed Board member
- 2 independent Board members
- 1 guest (non-voting)

Apologies:

- 1 elected Board member

Decisions from the Board meeting

| Ref | MINUTE | ACTION |
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| 289 | Coaches have approached BDF asking for a course to convert to wheelchair fencing. Suggestion - September at the Moulton Camp. There are funds available. Use BF to help set it up. | |
| 290 | Covid-19 Request for BDF to approach IWAS to determine the revised calendar between now and Tokyo 2021. Chair to write to IWAS | |
| 291 | Personal Coaches Policy Review of policy of the use of personal coaches. BDF being put in a very difficult situation. Complaints from other nations. There is a danger GB could lose its competitive advantage. | |
| 292 | Finance update Finance Director is trying to reconcile the accounts at year end. Auditors have updated schedule. Need to do the Annual Report. Financial risk - Covid-19 is saving us money, but financial implications because we need to raise funds and everyone is in survival mode. | |
| 293 | Email addresses and IT support - Problems with the current email. Microsoft state it hasn't been set up correctly. BDF needs 1. website kept up and running. 2. IT support and professional emails. Decision 1. Keep ADOMedia with IT support; 2 Explore other charity offers; 3 Need a WhatsApp group | |
| 294 | Funding application from Sport England/Purchase of 5 frames. Currently kit to the value of £18,476 owned by BDF. We need an audit of all kit. Need a list of the kit purchased by Wheelpower for wheelchair fencing. Do an amnesty and a kit check. An engineer attended the camp in February and offered to build a frame for a test. If the frame is good get it homologated and buy more. | |
| 295 | Where to store kit for training camps Last few camps we have been short of kit. We need to have a secure storage place so that whether camps are at SM or MC we have access to basic kit and a couple of frames. | |
| 296 | Further work on the BDF strategy - another away day will be arranged as soon as the lockdown is over. | |
| 297 | Appointment of Welfare Officer needed to co-ordinate information re Child Protection and safeguarding issues. Welfare Officer appointed. | |
| 298 | Policy documents need to be batched according to importance and or how they differ from BF's policies. | |
| 299 | Date and time of next meeting Video conference in 4 weeks' time, evening or weekend | |
| 300 | Meeting closed at 14:30 | |

