

Technical and Talent Sub Group Meeting

Date: Tuesday August 6th 2019

Time: 6pm to 7:30pm

Venue: GoTo Meeting online

Attendees: CG, SJ, JW, RH, GH, JI, AB

Apologies: PS

Agenda

1. Welcome & Apologies – JW
2. Actions from previous meeting SJ
 - a. JI updated on the Waltham Forest borough council discussions and beach volleyball facility – WFBC have some desire to become VE National Beach Volleyball Centre. Need more information from PS and Beach Performance Group to support the progress with Waltham Forest – **JI to discuss with PS**
 - b. Selection policies still outstanding and now need the CEV phase 2 selection policy – **SJ to action**
 - c. BVF desire to have home nations teams entering the World University Games. If attending VE will select their own best pairings, based on potential for development/appropriateness of the competition and who can afford to go to the competition. – **JI to feedback and discuss further with BVF**
3. Performance Reviews – GH
 - a. Head coaches of squads must complete a performance review enforced by T&T as of today. **All non-submitted reports to be chased up GH**
 - b. T&T to feedback to coaches – **action for AB or another member of T&T once reports are received.**
 - c. **EPV report to be circulated to BVF GH once submitted by ILG**
4. Athlete Update and Cost Forecast – GH
 - a. VC supporting athletes directly who are currently struggling financially.
 - b. VE Foundation will look at grant funding opportunities for young carers and other athletes who require support. Discussion around the benefits of seeking regional funding support over national funding. **VC to send the grouping to JI (GH)**
5. Sport England Talent Pathway Review – GH
 - a. **GH to invite pathway coaches to take part in the pathway review – seniors and beach athletes to be included**
6. Volleyball Futures – GH
 - a. GH updated on the plans for VF – regional engagements via email and GoTo to gather interest and then events to take place in October.
 - b. L3 development is focussed on Volleyball Futures athletes with regard to athlete development – **GH/RH to progress the L3 development**
7. Competitions Update – GH
 - a. Birmingham 2022
 - i. Beach Volleyball has been ratified and will be announced on the 13th August.
 - b. CEV Continental Cup 2019/20

- i. GH to look at the hosting specification for phase 2. £12k available for the men for Jan – May 2020.
 - ii. **Selection policy for phase 2 - SJ**
 - c. EPV Champs 2019
 - i. ILG update to follow in the meeting
 - d. NEVZA u17/u19
 - i. GH request passed on from cadet coaches to take additional coaches to competitions – reiterated that the maximum of two staff members to go fulfilling the required gender roles – **GH to confirm with coaches/team staff.**
 - ii. GH u19 event proposed to cost circa £600
 - iii. GH has discussed the costs of taking an official to the NEVZA u19 at £800 being excessive and a split contribution between the squads and the officials group – **GH to find a solution with the officials group lead NH**
8. National Team Staff Recruitment – GH
- a. Late applicant for cadets team manager under assessment
 - b. Senior Men Head Coach – Simon Loftus
 - c. No applications for Senior Men Assistant Coach
 - d. Late application for Senior Men Team Manager role under assessment
 - e. No applicants for GB Sitting Men’s posts
 - f. Other deadlines have not yet passed.
9. GB Sitting Volleyball – ILG
- a. BVF keen to support the GB men’s programme
 - b. ILG joined the call and discussed the potential for Anton Raymondo to be involved with the sitting volleyball programmes on his return to the UK in the next 12-18 months - **BVF to have conversation with potential leads**
 - c. ILG to put something together for an interim period to retain development players. **ILG to talk to RO – RC – JW to take forwards.**
 - d. GB Sitting women – ILG gave an update on the Europeans and an over view of next steps. More competition planned over the coming 6-8 months, some self-financed and some financed using the money in the VE Foundation for GB Sitting women’s programme.
10. CIMSPA - RH
- a. VE must work out what our relationship with CIMSPA will be and what it means for VE.
 - b. GH working with CIMSPA to look at the requirements around awards and workshops. What products will we produce over the next 2-3 years? - **GH/RH/CG to collate a group to take this exploration forwards.**
 - c. Require a new pay structure for tutors due to the impact on revenue generation – **RH to explore as part of board project**
11. AOB
- a. **JW to speak to AM re Coaching Lead role**
 - b. **Discussion around international representation in snow volleyball – reiterated that VE do not currently have plans to develop a national programme for snow volleyball – interested parties are recommended to join participation events available via other national federations.**