

**Minutes of the UCTBA Start of Season Council Meeting held on Sunday 8th
October 2006 at Bowling International Coventry at 2.00pm**

The Secretary called the meeting to order at 2:22pm

1) Roll Call

Peter Simmons (President/Secretary), Will Rogers (Treasurer), representatives from Brunel, Essex, Hull, Leeds, Loughborough, Manchester, Nottingham, Sheffield, Sheffield Hallam, Southampton, Surrey, and Warwick.

2) Apologies

Apologies were received from Imperial, Kent, Liverpool, Portsmouth and Teeside- Fined £25 each

Apologies were not received from Nottingham Trent- Fined £50.

3) Approval of the End of Season Council Meeting Minutes

The executive proposed the minutes of the End of Season Meeting held on the 5th August 2006 as a true and accurate record. This was approved by Chris Manders and second by Dean Keeble

4) Confirmation of Affiliations Status of Clubs

The following clubs have confirmed they wish to be full members:

Brunel, Essex, Hull, Leeds, Loughborough, Liverpool, Manchester, Nottingham, Portsmouth, Sheffield, Southampton, Surrey, and Warwick.

The following clubs have confirmed they wish to be associate members:

Sheffield Hallam

It was decided (as the clubs were not here) that Kent, Liverpool, Nottingham Trent and Portsmouth would continue as Full Member clubs.

5) Setting of Affiliation Fees

Affiliation fees for the 2006/2007 season will remain at £120 for full members and £60 for Associate Members.

6) BUSA vs. UCTBA Challenge Match

The BUSA vs. UCTBA Challenge match was agreed to be played at the End of Season Meeting, with Kit to pick the BUSA Team and The UCTBA President to pick the UCTBA Team.

7) Treasurer Report

Due to late submission of existing documents, the treasurer report would be produced at a later date.

8) Starter Packs

The starter pack for new bowling society committee members prepared by the Hull Captain would be emailed to UCTBA affiliated clubs for comments and suggestions before finalized version would be produced.

9) Change to the Constitution

As agreed at the End of Season Meeting, a Tournament Director would be appointed to be Rob Pullinger. The following lines would be added to the constitution;

“A tournament director for the championship will need to be appointed at the EOSM Championships will be sanctioned, tournaments officials appointed by tournament sub committee

If a dispute involved the tournament sub committee the matter should be referred to council by postal ballot along with full statements from both sides”

This motion was passed (For: 17, Against: 0, Abstentions: 0)

10) Confirmation of Tournament Calendar

All the tournaments this year have been franchised. Below is the tournament calendar for the 2004/2005 season:

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| 21 st /22 nd /28 th /29 th of October 2006 | UCTBA Championship 1 st Round Match days 1 |
| 4 th /5 th /11 th /12 th of November 2006 | UCTBA Championship 1 st Round Match days 2 |
| 18 th of November 2006 | Nottingham Doubles |
| 19 th of November 2006 | Midland Champs |
| 3 rd of December 2006 | London Trio's |
| 20 th /21 st of January 2007 | Brunel Singles |
| 3 rd /4 th of February 2007 | BUSA |
| 10 th /11 th of February 2007 | Sheffield Quads |
| 24 th /25 th of February 2007 | Liverpool Trio's |
| 4 th of March 2007 | Warwick 5's |
| 10 th /11 th of March 2007 | UCTBA Championship Quarter Finals |
| 17 th /18 th of March 2007 | Southampton Diamond Fours |
| 24 th of March 2007 | Leeds Doubles |
| 28 th /29 th of April 2007 | UCTBA Championship Finals |
| 5 th /6 th of May 2007 | Hull Quads |

11) Order of Merit Trophies

These have been neglected in recent years, research will be conducted by The UCTBA President and past trophies owed be sent by the Tournament Co-ordinator to the appropriate recipients in accordance with the constitution:

C.16 Prizes shall be awarded in the Order of Merit as follows:

Winner (men's section)

1st Runner up (men's section)

2nd Runner up (men's section)

3rd Runner up (men's section)

Winner (ladies section)

1st Runner up (ladies section)

12) Use of Financial Surplus

An accurate assessment of finances will be made by the UCTBA Committee and emailed to all affiliate clubs before decisions may be taken. Although ideas for paying for BTBA coaching were strongly suggested.

13) Instructors Course

It was decided by the executive that the UCTBA will subsidise up to half of the fee for club's members to take the Phase I coaching course, with the other half to be paid by that club's Athletic Union. In the case where the appropriate Athletic Union would pay less than half of the coaching course fee, the UCTBA would make up the remainder of the monies.

14) Website Improvements

The following improvements would be considered to the UCTBA website;

History of the UCTBA section

Up to date, clearer Documents section

Up to date, clearer Links section

“Idiots Guide to Bowling Centers and Transport” section to be added

UCTBA Committee member's profiles (including pictures) to be added

15) Handicap Capping

From the EOSM it was proposed that both the student men and ladies division be capped to a maximum of 80. It will still be calculated of 66% of the difference of 210 and the bowler's average.

16) UCTBA Championship Draw

The seeding system for UCTBA Championship Draw was removed.
This was proposed by Steve Medley and seconded by Dean Keeble.
This motion was passed (For: 14, Against: 0, Abstentions: 3)

The selection for each group in the group stages of the UCTBA Championship Draw would be changed. The university clubs entering the championship would be split into northern and southern sections. The 50% most northern clubs would enter the northern section, and the 50% most southern clubs would enter the southern section. In the event of there being an odd number of clubs, the remaining centrally placed club would be randomly chosen to enter either the northern or southern sections. From the northern section, clubs would be drawn randomly into two equal groups. In the case where there is an odd number of clubs, one group would contain one extra club over the other group. The same selection rules would apply for two groups in the southern section. The quarterfinal matches would remain a random draw of winners vs. runner ups from the group stages.

This was proposed by Steve Medley and seconded by Dean Keeble.
This motion was passed (For: 14, Against: 3, Abstentions: 0)

The draw for the UCTBA Championship groups went as follows;

South A

Southampton
Imperial
Portsmouth
Warwick

South B

Brunel
Kent
Surrey
Essex

North A

Liverpool
Hull
Leeds
Sheffield

North B

Nottingham Trent
Nottingham
Manchester
Loughborough

Fixtures: Weekend 1: Team 1 Vs. Team 2
Team 3 Vs. Team 4

Weekend 2: Team 1 Vs. Team 3
Team 2 Vs. Team 4
Team 1 Vs. Team 4
Team 2 Vs. Team 3

Fixtures to be played before Christmas over two weekends. All teams in each group must Play at the same venue on the same days.

Quarter final draw will be determined after UCTBA Group stages. With all Winners being seeded and playing against a second placed team from another group.

17) Any Other Business

There would be a £15 for any club that does not provide the UCTBA with contact details for the club's new relevant committee members by July 31st

Score sheets for UCTBA Championship matches must be returned within 7 days of the date the match was played or that team will forfeit the match.

New honorary members must be declared to the UCTBA at least 7 days before they wish to play.

Order of Merit competition's prizes to be non-alcoholic prizes, to cater fairly for those that do not drink alcohol.

Proposed by Dean Keeble, and seconded by Chris Manders.

This motion was passed (For: 15, Against: 2, Abstentions: 0)

Meeting closed 3.30pm