

Present

Nuala Mooney, Greer Mackenzie, Anne Fitzpatrick, Michael McFaul, Toni Sproule and Clare Watson. Harold Curran newly elected was warmly welcomed by the group. Harold was coming from work and was a few minutes late.

Minutes

1 *Minutes of previous meeting accepted*

Discussion on how minutes are circulated. Result was a clear distinction to be made between the draft and the agreed minutes for publication on web site.

2 *Feedback from Council meeting of the 3rd of December 2014*

Committee's proposals for Council were discussed.

- Repayment of fee of 50 Euro to those who played in the Interprovincials. This was turned down by Council.
- Booking of Shamrock lodge accommodation well in advance of Interprovincials. This was accepted by Council.
- That Council arrange training sessions for Intermediates who qualify to play in representative events. This was passed back to selectors.
- Request that Moylan places available to NIBU be returned to their former level. This was rejected by Council at this stage.

John Lavery and Michael Coffey had appealed to Council regarding the Selection Committee's deselection of them for the first Camrose match in Scotland.

This was overturned by Council.

The reasons for this were discussed in depth by the Committee. There appeared to be an impression that there had been a lack of clarity in the terms and conditions of entry for the trials. There was no clear statement of possible sanctions in case of default.

The issue of conflict of interest is indeed a tricky one as we have such a small body of Senior players in the NIBU some of whom are on the Selection Committee. However the Selection Committee is conscious of difficulties and will be increasingly vigilant and aware when conflict of interest situations arise.

The Selection Committee accepted the decision of Council and hope to address any issues that may have been a factor in the upholding of the appeal. The general opinion of the Selection committee was that it

was worth further effort to ensure the principle. That principle being that entry for the Camrose Trials guaranteed willingness, if selected, to play in the Interprovincials and either the Moylan or the North South match.

NPCs and team members duties and guidelines

4 *Approved list of NPCs*

Already the Selection Committee has a list of possible NPCs who have either volunteered or been volunteered.

A proposal from Rex was debated.

- That all NPCs of Camrose, Senior Camrose and Lady Milne within the last 5 years be added to the list .
- That all players in trials from above events who have represented NIBU over the last 5 years be added to the list.

It was considered that in view of the response already received and the fact that the list remains open and fluid there was no need to intervene.

5 *Appointment of NPCs*

Timeline

- Trials held
- Team selected
- Possible NPCs contacted and asked about availability and willingness to NPC a particular named team
- Names of those available to be circulated to team members
- Preferences sent to Chair of Selectors within a specified time frame
- Selection Committee to take these preferences into account in selecting the NPC
- The final decision remains solely with the Selectors

6 *Senior Camrose*

Details to be published on website

- 7th and 8th of February
- KMBC is the venue
- £45
- Pairs competition

Next Meeting of Selection Committee 14th Jan 2015

