

# Sussex Youth Mgmt minutes Apr4 2011

Held at Hove RFC – Monday April 4<sup>th</sup> 2011

**Present:** David Beglan, Kevin Blakiston, David Hooker (Chair), Steve Briscoe, Ian Newman, Mike Richardson, Steve Searle

1. Apologies: Roger Edmondson

2. Competition Considerations – U13 Final

The Committee considered the background and reported issues leading to Brighton u13s refusal to participate in the U13 Final.

3. Competition Considerations – Brighton

Brighton representatives Paul Morley (u13 Coach) and Steve Morris (Youth Chair) presented their reasons for not participating in the u13 Final. This included copies of letters and correspondence received from H&W parents and coaches.

After due consideration the Committee ruled that:-

- Brighton u13 A team will not be permitted to enter the Sussex u14 league
- Brighton u13-B will be allowed to be promoted to u14-A league in the absence of the Brighton A team. The team will be recorded as Brighton U14 B
- Brighton u14 will be required to nominate 10 registered A team players that cannot represent the B team in the league
- Officials will be appointed for the u14 Brighton v Heathfield fixture **SS**
- DH to feedback to Frank Edmonds the Committees concern regarding the tone of the H&W documents **DH**

4. O/S Action Update

- Youth Festival approval Worthing RFC non compliance, carried over to re-arranged Exec meeting
- Youth Finals – representatives available for presentation at each event

5. U13 Leagues 2011-12

- 22 teams entered
  - 8 teams in A league (based on Mini Festival results)
  - 7 teams each in B East and B West
  - Fixture draw to be circulated shortly **SS**

6. U14 Leagues 2011-12

- 20 teams entered
  - 8 teams in A league
    - 2 Up - winners of u13 B leagues promoted
    - 2 Down – teams that finished in bottom two places in u13 A
  - 6 teams each in B East and B West
  - Fixture draw to be circulated shortly
  - It was agreed that the league organiser should be able to use an ABC format dependent on the numbers of teams **SS**

7. U15 Leagues 2011-12

- 23 teams entered
  - 8 teams in League 1 – fixture dates released to avoid County clash
  - 10 teams in League 2
  - 5 teams in League 3 – play each other Home and Away
  - Fixture draw to be circulated shortly **SB**

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## 8. U16 Leagues 2011-12

- 19 teams entered
  - 8 teams in League 1 – fixture dates released to avoid County clash
  - 11 teams – League 2
  - Fixture draw to be circulated shortly

**SS**

## 9. U17 Cup 2011-12

- Teams will be pooled – draw based on U16 league results
  - Maximum of 5 games to identify 4 teams to proceed to National Cup
  - Fixture draw to be produced in September

**MR**

## 10. Colts Leagues 2011-12

- Teams will be drawn into A and B leagues
  - Fixture draw to be produced in September once teams re-confirmed

**MR**

## 11. Regulation Amendments

- Reg 5 to be amended to 50 Points difference – in line with RFU Youth regulations
- A youth player can only play in one game on any given day – in line with RFU Youth regulations
  - If a player is named on a match card but does not play in the game, then the name should be crossed out before the referee and opposition sign the Matchcard
- U13-U16 kick-off times can be 11:00-12:30 subject to home team pitch availability
- Playing time will be added to Regulations – in line with RFU Youth regulations

## 12. CB Clashes/Issues

U15 and U16 draws are avoiding the clashes with the revised County dates by releasing previous dates for League 1 teams

## 13. Youth AGM

The Sussex Youth AGM is on Thursday May 19<sup>th</sup> at Hove RFC 19:30 start

- Season overview reports to be circulated to Committee ahead of meeting

**All**

## 14. AOB

- Chichester u10 team has withdrawn from Mini Final due to clash with tour

**Diary Date:** Youth AGM will be Thurs May 19<sup>th</sup> 19:30 @ Hove RFC