

Sussex Youth Mgmt minutes Jan18 2012

Held at Hove RFC – Wednesday January 18th 2012

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

1. Apologies: Steve Searle
2. Action updates - October meeting
All actions have been completed
3. Matters Arising
Worthing Youth Festivals – a form with dates but no team details has been received, so at this stage no Worthing RFC Youth festival has received Sussex RFU approval for this season.
4. Forum Feedback (DB/IN)
 - Good combined meeting that was well attended. Minutes circulated.
5. Youth Competitions 2010-11 (SS/SB/MR)
 - U13/14 No issues, running to schedule
 - U15/16 Running to schedule
 - Comments towards referee at recent game under investigation
 - U17 Reduced league run due to further drop-outs, Finals this weekend
 - Colts Running to schedule
6. Minis (KB)
 - Festival arrangements all going to plan
 - Host clubs will print programme covers
 - Mini Fixture meeting went well – but overcrowded with Juniors present
 - 2012-13 Mini Festivals – East=Eastbourne, West=Crawley, Finals=Brighton
 - 2013-14 Mini Festivals – East=Hastings, West=Worthing, Finals=Haywards Heath
 - Note – 30/09/2012 is a valid Mini Fixture weekend
7. County / School (RE)
 - RE pleased with progress of Sussex lads in England squads
 - County teams are progressing, question of fitness levels as some games lost in last 10 mins
 - Daily Mail Hurstpierpoint got to last 32 – Finals to be played at Worthing on 14/03
8. Coaching & Playing (SB)
 - Recent meetings cancelled – rescheduled for 01/02
9. Schools of Rugby (DH)
 - Need to confirm Club nomination process with Quins

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10. Referees (DB)

- Not enough 'young refs' coming through – to be discussed at Exec
- Only 2 clubs (Bognor, EG) have requested Refs courses

11. 2012-13 Season

- U17 – proposed that NCC entry will be top 4 place U16 teams from previous season
 - AGM proposal
- U17 – Expected Merit leagues will continue
 - Club survey to confirm intended entries **SB**
- Regulations – no identified changes
- U13/14 Organiser – Steve Searle will step down at the end of this season
 - Club contacts to be contacted to request volunteer **SB**

12. 2011-12 Youth AGM

- C&P/County representation required at Youth AGM – Alan Croucher to be invited **DH**

13. AOB

- (DH) Registrations Cards – DH reported that after an RDP meeting that Peter Bailey had requested a statement on the requirement for registration cards which he would provide. This would advise that all clubs have youth registrars who can refer to Eddy Sears for guidance. ES has issued a reminder to Registrars that it is an RFU Requirement. It was suggested that ES added the Forum Chairman to his information distribution list **DH**

Diary Date: Next Youth Mgmt meeting will be Wed May 2nd 2012 - 19:30 @ Hove RFC