
Elite Performance Committee
Minutes of the meeting held on
Wednesday 1 April 2020 at 1600
Virtual meeting via Microsoft Teams

Present:	Sam Lee	-	Chair
	Mark Bayada	-	Vice-Chair
	Mary-Lou Barratt		
	Wes Guest		
	Simon Soper		
In attendance:	Tony Butler	-	COO
	Angel Fernandez	-	Communications Manager
	Helen Lucas	-	Committee Secretary
	Jeff Montgomery	-	STO
	Craig Poxon	-	Chair, Council
	Martin Shuttleworth	-	Secretary-General
	Liz Warner	-	Judges Coordinator
Apologies	John Smyth	-	Vice-President

Item Minute

17/20 Special Meeting

This meeting was called at short notice to review the sponsorship policy and contract commitments of British Skydiving sponsored athletes should Mondial 2020 – Tanay, Russia be cancelled or postponed due to the global pandemic of COVID-19 and the effect of travel and social restrictions of the UK that has caused the cancellation of various UK skydiving events, and the global travel restrictions.

18/20 Review of approach for sponsorship should the 2020 FCE be cancelled or postponed

The Chair outlined five scenarios, and the Vice-Chair added a sixth. Discussion centred on that these were exceptional circumstances that required a fair and balanced approach to both British Skydiving and our sponsored athletes.

Wes Guest, as a sponsored athlete, declared his interest, and was invited to join in the discussions but abstained from all votes.

18.1 Scenario 1 - Skydiving in the UK recommences but the FCE 2020 is cancelled
Scenario 2 - Skydiving in the UK recommences but the FCE 2020 is postponed

The Vice-Chair proposed and was seconded by Mary-Lou Barratt that all training completed prior to 3 April will be paid in good faith, regardless of roadshow commitments. All sponsorship is frozen from 3 April for future training undertaken and any team wishing to undertake sponsored training after 3 April 2020 must seek the approval of EPC first, due to British Skydiving's duty of care for athletes training in a sponsored capacity. There will be no requirement to repay any sponsorship already claimed. **Carried**

18.3 Scenario 3 - FCE 2020 is cancelled before skydiving recommences

If the FCE 2020 is cancelled any unclaimed sponsorship will not be available, but all claimed sponsorship will have no requirement to be returned to British Skydiving. Proposed by Mary-Lou Barratt, Seconded by Simon Soper. **Carried**

18.4 Scenario 4 - FCE 2020 is postponed before skydiving recommences

Due to the many variables of such a situation those present agreed to delay a decision until a postponement with possible future dates is announced.

18.5 Scenario 5 – FCE 2020 is not cancelled. British Skydiving not supporting the event, but athletes still wish to attend

EPC recognised its duty of care towards its athletes and recognised that by attending an event in a different country may increase their exposure to possible infection and that our athletes may face travel issues. This scenario would be brought to the May meeting of EPC.

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18.6 Scenario 6 – FCE 2020 is not cancelled, athletes wish to withdraw

The Vice-Chair proposed that should a team/individual voluntarily withdraw due to the known pandemic COVID-19, and the event is taking place and that British Skydiving is supporting it, all athletes must be aware that any training post 3 April that is then claimed for must be in compliance with their signed contract obligations and therefore subject to being reclaimed should the team/individual then withdraw. Seconded by Simon Soper.

Carried

19/20 Review of Roadshow sponsorship criteria in light of cancelled events and shortened season

Mary-Lou Barratt proposed, and was seconded by the Vice-Chair, the removal of the obligation to host or coach at roadshows, but that sponsored athletes be encouraged to contribute in such a way as magazine articles and online seminars.

Carried

20/20 Any other business

There was no further business.

The meeting closed at 17.15.

Date of next meeting – 5 May 2020

Date of publication – 3 April 2020

Nationals, UKSL / Grand Prix dates 2020

<i>Event</i>	<i>Discipline</i>	<i>Venue</i>	<i>Dates</i>
British Skydiving National Championships	Arts and Speed	Skydive Buzz, Dunkeswell	Arts: 18-19 July 2020 Speed: 18-20 July 2020
British Skydiving National Championships	Wingsuit Performance & Acrobatics	Skydive Buzz, Dunkeswell	Acro: 18-19 July 2020 Perform 20-22 July 2020
British Skydiving National Championships	FS 4-way	Skydive Hibaldstow	29 Aug-1 Sept 2020
British Skydiving National Championships	FS 8-way & VFS 4-way	Skydive Hibaldstow	5-7 Sept 2020
British Skydiving National Championships	Canopy Formation	Skydive Northwest	12-14 Sept 2020
British Skydiving National Championships	Accuracy	Skydive Buzz Dunkeswell	18-20 Sept 2020
British Skydiving National Championships	Canopy Piloting	Skydive Buzz, Dunkeswell	18-20 Sept 2020
British Skydiving UKSL	FS 4-way Meet 1	APA Netheravon	2-3 May 2020 CANCELLED
British Skydiving UKSL	FS 4-way Meet 2	Skydive Northwest	6-7 June 2020
British Skydiving UKSL	FS 4-way Meet 3	Sibson Skydivers	4-5 July 2020
British Skydiving GP	Accuracy Meet 1	Skydive Northwest	16-17 May 2020 CANCELLED
British Skydiving GP	Accuracy Meet 2	Skydive Headcorn	30-31 May 2020 CANCELLED
British Skydiving GP	Canopy Formation Meet 1	Skydive Buzz, Dunkeswell	27-28 June 2020
British Skydiving GP	Canopy Formation Meet 2	Skydive Langar	25-26 July 2020