

BRITISH ROCK 'N' ROLL DANCESPORT FEDERATION

Meeting held on 13 July 2008
5pm, Downing College, Cambridge

MINUTES

Attendees: Steve Romans (Chair) (SR)
Nick Jones (NJ)
Zara Jealous (ZJ)
Laura Cope (Minutes) (LC)
Ian Sudbery (IS)
Claude Schneider (CS)
Mark Clewlow (MC)

Apologies: Sam Maddrell
Amy Oliver
Katie Walland
Christine Keeble
Jenny Murdoch
Chris Horner

Item	Minutes	Action
1	Welcome and introduction Steve Romans welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained the objectives of the meeting to set up a British Rock 'n' Roll DanceSport Federation.	
1.a	Election of a temporary chair of meeting Steve Romans was unanimously voted as the temporary chair of the meeting.	
2	Proposal to form a British Rock 'n' Roll DanceSport Federation Steve Romans proposed the formation of a British Rock 'n' Roll DanceSport Federation, with the reasons for formation detailed below. The federation's main form of publicity would be via a new website which is currently being developed.	
2.a	Outstanding reasons for formation:	
2.a.i	Promotion and regulation of modern rock 'n' roll dancing in the UK It was agreed that the formation of such a federation would improve the image and	

<p>2.a.ii</p>	<p>understanding of modern rock ‘n’ roll dancing in the UK. The federation would be keen to organise rock ‘n’ roll competitions within the UK.</p> <p>Selection of a British Team to compete at international competitions</p> <p>The federation would be keen to produce a British team to compete internationally. The federation would like to seed competitors from the United Kingdom into international competitions, raising the profile of modern UK rock ‘n’ roll dancers. It was noted that there would be a possibility of entering a British team to the World Games in 2013.</p> <p>There are also financial advantages. The cost of affiliation of a British Rock ‘n’ Roll DanceSport Federation (BRRF) to the World Rock ‘n’ Roll Confederation (WRRRC), which would increase as the numbers of clubs within the BRRF increased, would be €500 for up to 3 clubs (or €730 for up to 30 clubs). The cost per participant to enter a competition governed by the WRRRC would be €25 without such an affiliation, or €5 with.</p>	
<p>3</p> <p>3.a</p> <p>3.b</p> <p>3.c</p> <p>3.d</p>	<p>Election of officers to hold positions until the AGM</p> <p>Chair-person</p> <p>Mark Clewlow was unanimously voted by all present to hold the position of chair-person until the AGM.</p> <p>Vice chair-person</p> <p>Ian Sudbury was unanimously voted by all present to hold the position of vice chair-person until the AGM.</p> <p>Treasurer</p> <p>Nick Jones was unanimously voted by all present to hold the position of treasurer until the AGM.</p> <p>Secretary</p> <p>Laura Cope was unanimously voted by all present to hold the position of secretary until the AGM.</p>	
<p>4</p>	<p>Proposal for the election of a committee to create a constitution in preparation for the AGM</p> <p>Steve Romans, Ian Sudbury and Zara Jealous were each unanimously voted by all present to sit on the committee. SR, IS and ZJ will create a constitution in</p>	<p>SR, IS, ZJ</p>

<p>4.a</p> <p>Equity policy</p> <p>Affiliation to the EADA would provide this.</p> <p>4.b</p> <p>Child protection policy</p> <p>Affiliation to the EADA would provide this.</p> <p>4.c</p> <p>Anti-doping policy</p> <p>Affiliation to the WRRC would provide this.</p>	<p>preparation for the AGM, which will include:</p>	
<p>5</p> <p>Proposal to open a bank account</p> <p>It was proposed that a bank account should be opened; there was a unanimous decision to go ahead with this. Nick Jones agreed to investigate options.</p> <p>5.a</p> <p>Nomination of two signatories from committee</p> <p>Nick Jones and Steve Romans were unanimously voted to act as signatories for the bank account.</p>		<p>NJ</p>
<p>6</p> <p>Proposal to affiliate to the World Rock ‘n’ Roll Confederation (WRRC)</p> <p>There was a unanimous decision to affiliate the BRRF to the WRRC. The financial benefits of such an affiliation are detailed under point 2.a.ii. Other benefits include gaining protection under certain policies within the constitution such as the anti-doping policy.</p>		
<p>7</p> <p>Proposal to affiliate to the English Amateur DanceSport Association (EADA)</p> <p>There was a unanimous decision to affiliate the BRRF to the EADA. Benefits of this affiliation include gaining protection under certain policies within the constitution such as the child protection policy, the equity policy and insurance.</p>		
<p>8</p> <p>Selection of a date for the AGM</p> <p>Saturday 4th October was unanimously agreed as a provisional date for the AGM.</p>		

<p>9</p> <p>9.a</p>	<p>Any other business</p> <p>Name of the federation</p> <p>The title “British Rock ‘n’ Roll DanceSport Federation” with acronym “BRRF” was unanimously agreed for the name of the federation. Despite the reference to Britain rather than United Kingdom, the BRRF will include England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland within the constitution. The reference to DanceSport within the title distinguishes the modern European style of competitive rock ‘n’ roll dancing from the authentic 1950’s style.</p>	
<p>10</p>	<p>CLOSE</p> <p>The meeting was closed as 6:45pm.</p>	