

British Powerlifting Board Agenda 1 October 2025

In Attendance: Charlie Marillier, Tony Cliffe, Martin Bass, Char Macpherson, Claire Tocher, Adam Thomas, Abdul Butt, Fraser Montgomery

1. Welcome, Apologies, Conflicts of Interest *Apologies – Anthony McLeggan, Kevin Jane*

2. Items for Decision

Item 2a) Appointment of Chair

Following a recruitment process, the Board recommends Fraser Montgomery be co-opted as a director, and appointed interim Chair until the next AGM.

Tony Cliffe proposed FM as chair and those present unanimously agreed.

Item 2b) Byelaws Review

The Board supports the proposal from Kim Cowell to take forward the byelaws review with the potential take BP towards Tier 1 status, Feedback was provided to the project team. CM will continue to meet with the project team.

Item 2c) Scottish Powerlifting Commonwealth bid

The Board supports the proposal made by SP to bid for CPF event, recognising the help required.

This proposal received unanimous endorsement recognising both the opportunity for all BP lifters and referees to participate, and the responsibility to support the SP initiative. ACTION: CT will continue to keep the BP Board updated.

Item 2d) Anti-doping next steps

The Board discussed in detail the current unsatisfactory status of anti-doping and has agreed on the need for further follow up with the relevant authorities and assess next steps. This echoed the sentiment of a formal received complaint.

2e) Require lifter survey post competition

The Board discussed and agreed that post international competition surveys would be conducted with all participants at that competition.

ACTION: CM TO IMPLEMENT SURVEY WITH APPROPRIATE SUPPORT

2f) UKAF and PSUK partnerships

Invitation for PSUK and other emergency services extended the same terms that were offered to UKAF in 2023.

ACTION: CM TO IMPLEMENT WITH APPROPRIATE SUPPORT

3. Governance Update

a) - Finance

First half financial reports were sent out early September which showed no material deviations from budget.

Q3 has been very busy with internationals and a lot of work done by Kimberly Cowell and myself in collating and collecting hotel costs for the teams, EPF insistence on group bookings pushes all of the admin onto member Federations rather than leaving it to the hotels which is a constant irritation.

Divisional rebates we'll be paying early November (majority of this due to EPA but there is a small rebate also due to Wales).

SBD funding - we owe EPA an amount relating to Q2 funding as well as Scottish Powerlifting from hosting HN Championships last year.

Cash balance currently £332k, but we are mid hotel collections and international payments so probably slightly under-stated.

BOARD AGREED TO CONTINUE WITH BUDGET DEVELOPMENT

NEXT BOARD MEETING TO LOOK AT STIPEND ADMIN POSITION

TONY TO FEEDBACK TO KEVIN JANE ON ALLOCATION TIMINGS

4.CEO Update (Verbal)

CEO – Key Items for board attention

Performance Director/Head Coaches Update

The Board discussed Performance Director position and was content with the interim arrangement of Martin Bass Jason Coultman Alex Person-Jones

Head Coach performance was noted and the performance team will feedback in due course on any further developments.

Eleiko Lending

THE Ceo expressed frustration with Eleiko, and efforts will continue.

IPF Licence and Communication

Persistence by the CEO and support of other members is making steady progress.

Google workspace is being created and rolled out.

5. Meeting Schedule/ Work Plan

A potential topic and board programme was introduced and the board will feedback to the Chair.

ACTION: BOARD FEEDBACK BY 20 OCTOBER

6. Matters Received

Matters raised to the Chair by sub committees/board members

-changes to the British Open Classic team qualifying procedure for 2026 to be agreed by the performance team, with emphasis on international competitions being the priority for the best lifters -including the Europeans

-google workspace migration date set to 9th October

-European Media coverage costs and future plans with TotalFocusVisuals to supplement White Knights Media were discussed and

ACTION: the Communications Director will take forward discussions

