British Powerlifting Board Agenda 16 January 2026

10am-11am

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1. Welcome, Apologies, Conflicts of Interest

The Interim Chair welcomed those attending noting apologies from Kevin Jane and Char Macpherson. Martin Bass attended the first couple of agenda items.

2. ***Approval of Minutes of Meeting December 2025***

These were approved and had been published.

3. Items for Decision
   a) Interim Competitions Management and Support (CM)

The Board agreed to put in additional competitions support during this busy period.

   b) Competition Calendar 2027 (CM)

The Board reviewed a thoroughly thought through 2027 competition calendar. This is likely to move sub Juniors to January 2027.

Subject to final minor amendments, this will be published after the February Board meeting.

Martin Bass left the meeting.

   c) Continuation with tiered sponsorship (CM)

The Board agreed to continue with sposnsorhip tiers.

   d) Classic Bench Team Structure (CM)

The Board agreed that there was a need for change given the large size of the bench team (over 100 athletes across all age categories).

The change proposal was agreed and consultation would now take place with those impacted.

   e) Euro bench safety complaint (FM)

The Interim Chair expressed concern that this had not been brought to a conclusion, with a number of participants not co-operating.

The Board endorsed a robust approach from Tanya to bring the matter.

The Interim Chair raised that the member impacted was yet to receive an official apology, or be offered additional support, which the Board supported rectifying.

f) "in principle" decision re remuneration (FM)

The Board agreed in principle that key roles could receive remuneration, but would need to be re-advertised. Proposals would be reviewed in due course in accordance with a remuneration policy which CT would draft and AT would supply previous workings on.

4. Governance Update
    a. Finance (TC)

Finance reports indicate a small surplus for 2026, with considerable overspends in international competitions.

TC commented that bank balance remained healthy. The Board felt this reflected sound financial management, and potentially the opportunity to reinvest in the sport.

b. Creation of Audit Sub – committees (TC)

This was progressing with a relevant number of volunteers obtained and review would take place once the December accounts were completed.

5. CEO – Key Items for board attention (CM)
    a. Anti-doping update

The Board received an anti-doping update. Further educational activities will be put in place.

6. Matters raised to the Chair by sub committees/board members
    a. British Open qualifying criteria were discussed at length and a percentage of previous top 3 approach was agreed.
       CM to ask KC for a sensitivity around the percentages and then likely publication by early March.