The British Association of Sport Rehabilitators and Trainers committee meeting

Agenda:

• **Apologies:** (Colin Johnson, CJ; Elizabeth Fowler, EF; Richard Collins, RC; Ryan Gordon RG; Hollie White, HW)

• In attendance: (Steve Aspinall, SJA; Ollie Coburn, OC; Adam Naylor, AN; John Morgan, JM; Jonty Ashton, JA; Chris Wilcox, CW; Alan Munro, AM; Richard Moss, RM)

- Conflicts of Interest:
 - Updated conflict of interest forms submitted by all in attendance, collected by the Registrar (OC) for filing centrally.
- Brief reports of activities from the committee/matters arising:
 - SJA no key updates that are not due to be covered in todays agenda.
 - RM is on the WFATT education board.
 - RM provided update on the accreditation status of some applications that are in progress and informed the committee of some new enquiries for course accreditation.
 - OC provided update on renewals. Number for insurance company return will be 746. The loss of registrants is consistent with the numbers lost in previous years. No major issues reported with the renewal process this year.

• Accept minutes of previous meeting:

- RM to be removed from minutes he was not in attendance.
- All other minutes accepted.
- ACTION POINT HW to amend minutes of the previous meeting and publish the amended version online.

Attachments:

- Previous meeting minutes
- Conflict of interest policy templates
- Draft of the Standards of Conduct, Ethics and Behaviour

1. Student conference (JA)

- a. 41 purchased tickets. 29 in attendance. Seems that offering student members a free ticket was not successful. All the feedback from attendees was positive.
- b. SJA not sure that it will continue to be successful in current format, unless there is more involvement from the institutions.
- c. AM needs to be planned further in advance so that the Universities have time to timetable a day off for the conference.
- d. Suggestions offered from the entire committee about initiatives to encourage more buy-in from institutions and students: Prizes for presentations; poster stands for dissertation projects; each institution to present or contribute a topic; move the timing to Easter holidays(?); addition of a talk on business(?)
- e. **ACTION POINT** JA to produce plan for the conference and distribute it to the committee for consideration 2 week timeline.
- 2. REPS (SJA)
 - a. Current position with REPS is on hold until May, development work is still ongoing. Things will commence when there is a more clear outline of the framework within

the industry that is being produced by CIMSPA. CIMSPA putting together framework that is UK wide for exercise professionals. They will finalise their framework by the end of April at which point, developments will progress with REPS.

3. Aligning AGM with insurance renewal (SJA)

- a. Currently, the price for registration is voted on and set at the AGM in November. BASRaT then receives notice of the insurance premium in mid/late December. This leaves BASRaT susceptible to an increase in premium after the membership fee has already been set. Moving the AGM date would allow us to agree a price increase on the membership fee in response to the upcoming insurance premium. Moving the date of the insurance policy renewal may allow us to avoid the risk, however, this would require a financial commitment in the first instance (e.g. funding 14 months instead of 12).
- **b.** Insurance renewal in November would mean BASRaT know the renewal price in October; an increase in membership fee could then be agreed at the AGM.
- **c.** Other option is to remain the same and re-coup the loss with an increase in membership fee the subsequent year.
- **d.** In either case, registration renewal will stay the same.
- e. Committee agreed to delay decision until after Brexit when the future forecast for the insurance market will be more clear with regards to future pricing.

4. Steroplast partnership (SJA)

- **a.** Steroplast are interested in collaboration to provide various benefits, including: content for the BASRaT website; discount for members on products; research and development in new products within the sector; use of their multi-functional meeting space.
- **b.** Committee happy to introduce a membership benefits section to the website that would feature offers and discounts on products/services that are of benefit to our members.
- **c.** Committee would be happy to have involvement from Steroplast in this regard.
- **d.** ACTION POINT OC and VW to work on developing partnerships with companies and products to fill out the "membership benefits" section.

5. Certification and MRA (SJA)

- a. Meeting with the BOC, CATA and ARTI in the coming weeks. If BASRaT want to have an MRA, there will have to be a certification exam. Delivering the exam externally would be very costly, the alternative would be to run it within institutions, likely in the final year of degrees. The need to sit the certification exam would be a requirement for anybody wishing to join the register.
- b. The value in having the MRA and certification exam would be international collaborative working to approach insurance companies and sports governing bodies as a collective, larger group.
- c. Our current registrants would be grandfathered.
- d. Development work would be needed to allow for the implementation. There is planning work needed with regards to the platform used to deliver the exam.
- e. Is there an option to fund a re-sit, done externally, to allow a second chance for people to take the exam who did not pass it when did it as part of the degree.
- f. Committee would like to take forward the proposals for a membership exam and MRA. Additionally, the committee have agreed that the preference would be for the exam to be delivered at, and by, institutions.

6. Daily Mile Partnership (SJA)

a. We are no longer able to provide any substantial support. SJA has still been attending meetings but has not been able to assist. We have offered help with

publicity but advised that we cannot help in a wider capacity than that. Committee interested in developing new partnerships.

b. ACTION POINT – OC to make contact with other organisations regarding partnership and any assistance that BASRaT can provide.

7. Exercise works (SJA)

- a. Unsure as to the usage of the resources amongst the different organisations.
- b. ACTION POINT BASRaT office to contact institutions to increase awareness of the resources. Council of Deans bulletin that goes out in November.

8. Healthshare update (SJA)

- a. Healthshare are developing a framework for progression through bandings for Sports and Exercise Therapists. BASRaT continue to have involvement in planning the descriptors for each job level. Over the next 12-24 months, they plan on increasing the SEM workforce considerably, this will offer good opportunities for BASRaT Registrants.
- b. BASRaT will continue to seek opportunities to work with other organisations in the same sector.

9. Projects to spotlight SR as a healthcare occupation and stakeholder in PH (SJA)

- a. Can BASRaT start a Public Health Hub and run sessions to offer advice about active lifestyles and the benefits of exercise. There is potential to link in with other national organisations to assist with the delivery of the events (e.g. National Trust, Woodland Trust).
- b. Committee have agreed that this would be worth exploring.
- c. ACTION POINT SJA to make enquiries.

10. AOB

- a. Therapy Expo
 - ACTION POINT OC to confirm with HW regarding arrangements for Therapy Expo this year. Contingency plan to cancel in the event that we are financially impacted by insurance premiums post Brexit.
- b. BASRaT Domain emails
 - i. Issues present over the past week or so. Now seems to be resolved with Netcetera. They are unsure why the problem is occurring. Tempted to move to another email service. Moving to another platform would have a cost involved but would be more reliable.
 - ii. Committee happy to explore new options.
- c. Draft for SECB
 - i. Committee reviewed draft of the new SECB and suggested their amendments which have been noted by OC.
 - ii. ACTION POINTS OC to make amendments as appropriate and distribute a final draft to CW for review.
- d. Nottingham Grand for Video Production
 - i. Currently working on an educational tool to promote the profession. This is currently in production with UoN. This will be a publicly available resource when it is finished. BASRaT will be able to distribute.