

IGM ~ Minutes
Sunday 11th August 2002
2.15 pm
Radio Lollipop
Yorkhill Hospital

Sederunt	Chris Berezai	HBA Regional Officer
	Charles McVey	HBA Scottish Rep ~ Acting
	John Watson	Hospital Radio Perth
	Alistar Smith	Hospital Radio Perth
	David Ledgerwood	HBS Glasgow
	Norman George	Hospital Radio Lennox
	Rose Logan	Royal 1 Radio
	Christopher Wallace	Royal 1 Radio
	George Clarkson	Royal 1 Radio
	May Rutherford	Royal 1 Radio
	Paul Merrick	Royal 1 Radio
	Derek McCann	Radio Lollipop Glasgow
	John Barbour	Hospital Radio Ayrshire Inverclyde Hospital Radio
	Craig McDougall	Victoria Infirmary Radio
	Gary Conn	Victoria Infirmary Radio

Apologies: Grampian Hospital Radio
Radio Eastward
Radio North Angus

Previous Minutes: [NB ~ no previous paperwork was inherited]

Proposed: n/a

Seconded: n/a

Outstanding action: None

Correspondence

In: Letter of apologies from Radio Eastward
Letter of apologies from Radio North Angus
E-mail of apologies from Grampian HR

ACTION

Out: none

Item One

Opening Statement

Charles started by thanking everyone for their support when he was the acting rep for Scotland and also for their faith in him as full rep. He set out a mission to try and visit every station in the Scottish Region before the next AGM.

Item Two

Funding The Region

An item was brought up regarding funding the region. In order for Charles to carry out his full role as Representative of the Scottish Region, money for expenses is required. Money which should not be expected to come out of Charles' own pocket. The question arised, how can the region be funded?

Chris pointed out that the HBA states that Regions should be self funded but there was once mentioned a region start up grant. Charles will seek advice at HBA EC level.

CHARLES
McVEY

If a regional grant was received, a regional account would need to be set up. John Watson said that he believes a previous rep had an account and that there should still be about £5.00 in it (gaining interest). This will be looked into.

JOHN
WATSON

Chris Berezai gave a suggestion from the Welsh Region, of asking each station to donate £10 each year to the rep. It was decided that we shouldn't charge stations a fee to be in the Scottish Region of an organisation that already charges a fee to be a member of the HBA. What was suggested was that Charles ask stations if they would be able to make a donation to the region in order for him to carry out trips.

Another suggestion was that Charles, along with Chris and all the other reps, attempt to convince the HBA start to provide an annual budget of say £200 to each region (amount dependant on the size of the region)

CHRIS/
CHARLES

A further way would be to arrange a regional fundraising event. The idea was muted that it would be difficult to attract member stations to come and fund raise to give the money to the region when most stations are having trouble fund raising for themselves.

The idea was adapted and it was agreed that a national fund raising event should be attempted were stations either pay something towards the Scottish Region to participate or to give a nominal donation from what they raise for themselves. This could prove to raise a great deal of money and would also improve the profile of Hospital Radio in Scotland. A good area should be thought of and a time next summer to arrange the event.

Lots of stations all joining forces in such and event would create one strong team and can prove to be very successful. And if it were to be successful, it could only grow in years to come when confidence is improved.

A final suggestion to fund the region was to put forward to the HBA to increase the membership fee and give the extra monies to the regions rep. The more stations there are in a

region, the more money the rep would receive.

The only problem is that these suggestions would not really kick in until next year if at all, how would Charles be able to carry out his duties.

A vote was taken and 7 stations voted that Charles should write to all stations asking them to donate £10 to the region in order to start him off. No stations voted against.

Item Three

Appointing Region Sub-officers

It was mentioned that if money were to be made available to Charles for the region, an account would be required.

The HBA will only recognise a Region Rep, but that rep can appoint (not up for vote) a sub committee. After a discussion, Charles voted David Ledgerwood as his Deputy and Rose Logan as a treasurer. If John has no success in finding if there is already an account, Rose will set up an account for the Scottish Region.

Item Four

Fundraising Event

An example of a successful event used in another region was a balloon race (which Chris said he could provide information on). It was agreed that this tried and tested event should be done by the Scottish Region.

A good central location and event should be sought to hold it. Ideas where:- Pipe Championships in Glasgow Green, Lomond Shores, T in the Park, Live & Loud, Scottish Open, Edinburgh Festival, Horse Trials in Blair Castle and the Ayr Grand National.

The majority felt that T in the Park and Live & Loud are not really hospital radio's target audience and should be avoided. However, it was stated that money is money and we should not delete an idea so easily.

The way in which the event is to be run (in the preliminary stages of planning) will be that stations should pay an admin fee (or percentage of what they raise) to receive all the necessary material to sell tickets for the balloons in their own area. A stall will be set up at the event in which the balloons are to be released. This can provide information about Hospital Radio in general and people coming can sell more tickets. Stations will raise as much funds for themselves as they want. The balloons will be released on the day and the one travelling the furthest will win the prize (to be sought)

Item Five

Conferences

Charles brought up that the HBA EC, and other members from stations throughout the UK, have commented on how successful the co-ordination of stations arranging the trips and tours during the recent Spring Conference was. The HBA hope to adopt a similar style from now on.

John Watson has requested from the HBA what is required for in a conference location (for both types) and that regions should amongst themselves try and locate good places and this would be "pitched" to the HBA. It may not be the right time for another conference to come to Scotland, but we should still investigate for such an occasion.

Item Six

Communication

Charles mentioned how good communication has started by the turn out to the AGM, but a lot still has to be done in

order to get the region, which has been inactive for over 2 years, back to a suitable standard.

The first aim is to get a point of contact at every station and build on ideas that are already in place.

An e-mail group could be set up (similar to the yahoogroups) and members in Scotland can join. The only problem that could arise is that non-members could join.

Item Seven

SCORE Digital

Hospital Radio Perth have been approached by SCORE Digital to provide programming on their new multiplex. SCORE (an arm of Scottish Radio Holdings) will need to provide suitable evidence that they are held reliable for what happens and not Perth. HR Perth wanted to know if anyone else had been approached and assured that they will not agree to do anything until the matter is investigated further. They will let us know how they go as this might prove beneficial for other stations.

Item Eight

Meeting Dates

Meeting dates and locations were discussed. The region is required to have at least four meetings each year (one of which can be the AGM)

The following was agreed:~

- 3rd November 2002 : hosted by Hospital Radio Perth
- 2nd February 2003 : hosted by Royal 1 Radio (Glasgow)
- 11th May 2003 : hosted by (TBC but we would like to ask Victoria Radio Network)
- 10th August 2003 hosted by HBS Glasgow - AGM

There was no other business the meeting closed at 16.43 hrs

The next meeting will be hosted by Hospital Radio Perth on Sunday 3rd November 2002

Minutes Proposed by:~

Minutes Seconded by:~