

SCO & ASCL Sub-Committee Meeting Tuesday 10 May 2022 Virtual (Zoom meeting)

In attendance	Apologies
Baden Knifton Tim Fawke Claire Pennell Chris Exall Chris Stroud David Armstrong Stacy Gillow	Ryan Grewcock

BK welcomes all for attending the virtual meeting. APOLOGIES: Ryan Grewcock not present

A request to record meeting for use in drafting the minutes was made. Following discussion concerning data security and GDPR guidelines, the use of recording can be put in our Terms of Reference, with the decision that the recording would be available for 2 months from date of meeting then deleted.

ACTIONS

- a) GDPR policy for the recording of minutes and their use and deletion needs to be added to the TOR. **BK** to sort and email to **CP** by **30 June**.

ACCEPTANCE of 08 March Minutes was not formally done. There were some inaccuracies in the minutes pertaining to guidelines about who can lead or who can instruct on a Snowsports trip. Minutes stated that a Trip leader must have the SCO to lead a Snowsports Trip, but actual wording is that it is only strongly recommended for the leader to have that qualification. Further clarification can be found under paragraph **B** below.

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING 8 MARCH 2022.

- A. **CE** and **RG** had a zoom meeting with Scouts concerning the ASCL type of qualification that the Scouts use to supervise young people on the ski slopes. Scouts did indicate that it would be good to follow guidelines of NGB SE more closely.

Query raised about if an email to Level 4's and UK CP Level 3's had been sent. (Querying if they had conducted any previous ASCL qualification work with the scouts). It did go in the Coaching Mailer; however, it was decided that sending the email individually to the Level 4's and the UK CP Level 3's would be the best way forward.

Once SE gathers responses back, further discussion with the Scouts can take place.

ACTIONS

- b) **CP** and **RG** to send correspondence to the Level 4s. **CE** has text that will help this. **Due 20 May**.
- B. Discussions held on how SE as NGB could have a more robust recommendation for teachers to gain the ASCL qualification. Basically, changing *Should* have the qualification to *Must* have the qualification. Further discussion about how Academies and Trusts technically have their own rules, and that is the EMPLOYER that can say Trip leaders must have the qualification in terms of Health and Safety. It depends on the relationship that an OEAP member has with a school as to whether they can advise or instruct the school to gain a ASCL qualification. For example, if the OEAP member is in the same local authority as the school, they can instruct the school that teachers have a ASCL qualification. Otherwise, if working with a multi academy or trust school, they can advise this. SE as NGB cannot enforce that trip leaders *Must* have the qualification; however, we can enforce that it is *Best Practise*

to

do so. Essentially, if the qualification is not held, the school would not be supported by the NGB if something happened.

Following any rewording, the website, marketing and the last slides of the SCO Course should be updated, and also be put on the OEAP noticeboard.

ACTIONS

- c) **TF** and **CE** to put some words together for **DA** and **CS** to review.
 - d) **CS** and **CE** work the statement ready for distribution for the end of June. (To try to tie in with marketing updates during the summer)
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Agenda Item 1) Budget available for committees from SE

An explanation of how budgeting for committees and subcommittees was given. The financial year runs from Jan- Dec each year, with budget requests being submitted in the September timeframe. TF then goes out to committees to see if there is anything else that is desired by the committees.

If ideas that would help generate income or help with the delivery of the SE Strategy arise after September, there is still the possibility for funding to be provided. Generally, there is an amount that if the request falls below that, then funding could be provided. More than that amount would require a more formal approval.

The subcommittee was told it did indeed have access to the personnel who do the SE design work.

ACTIONS

- e) **BK** invited by **TF** to attend next Committee chairs meeting when budgets are discussed.
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Agenda Item 2) Marketing Strategy for ASCL/SCO courses over the next 6 months (to be ready for the next season)

Many suggestions made, and all agreed that it would be useful to have all ideas on a central spreadsheet.

ACTIONS

- f) **BK** to send out a google docs for all to submit ideas pertaining to how and what we could use in a marketing push. **Ideas to the spreadsheet by 21 June.**
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Agenda Item 3) Modular ASCL Exploration

ACTIONS

- g) **CS/BK** to discuss ideas at a future date, to include producing a marketing pack for ASCL that could include a video.
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Agenda item 4) The potential of a centrally organised ASCL Courses

It is easiest for the office if there is a block booking for ASCL candidates... e.g., a company says yes, they will arrange a course and it is all set. It is more difficult and time consuming if teachers individually try to organise getting to a venue for themselves.

BK says there are off the shelf booking programmes that may help with arranging ASCL Courses.

There is a need to consider which Tour operators could help in arranging an ASCL course in light of current Brexit regulations and the use of non-EU instructors. Italy may be more difficult to use than Austria. A suggestion made to contact Keith Sharkey at Halsbury Ski.

Candidates for the ASCL generally use school holidays to complete the course, with the week before Christmas typically a good time. However, this year, the weeks around Christmas may be difficult due to the days that the holidays fall. February half term and Easter may be the better bets this year.

Discussions about offering the ASCL course at different times of the year and utilising resorts with glaciers ensued, although more in-depth conversations are needed to ensure the course requirements are met.

ACTIONSM

- h) **CS/BK** to meet to discuss the potential of ASCL as a modular course
- i) **CS/CE** to meet to discuss the Navigation element of the ASCL award. **RG** to be included in discussions as well.

Meeting to discuss the above to be held week starting 20 June at 1900. Invite will be circulated.

AOB

DA reminds of previous AOB about current SE policy regarding wearing of helmets at artificial centres/dry slopes. Guidance seems to be circa 2009-2010, and FIS 2006 about the wearing of headgear. Is there more current official guidance pertaining to dry slopes centres?

AOB ACTION

- 1) **CE/DA/CS** to look at current statement about the wearing of helmets on dry slopes. **(Bring in RG)** And for discussion at CTP. Please arrange for initial instructions by email.

Meeting ended approx. 2030

Dates of next meetings:

09 Aug 1900 Zoom

08 Nov 1900 Zoom

(The Nov meeting may be a "face to face" meeting, which led to discussion as to where a face-to-face meeting could take place. The possibility of combining a meeting with attending an event such as the SnowShow at the NEC 15/16 October was mentioned.

End of Meeting ACTION

- 2) All to bring ideas of where to have a face-to-face meeting to August meeting