

2025-26 BUCS BADMINTON SAG - MEETING 1 - MINUTES

Date Tuesday 28th April
Time 11-1pm
Location Microsoft Teams

ATTENDEES

Martyn Lewis
 Donal O'Halloran
 Martin Wells
 Alvaro Vazquez-Gonzalez
 Alison Odell
 Sue Orwin
 Dave Lindley
 Mark Downie
 Donal OHalloran
 Hannah Underhill
 Tanyel Mustafa
 Nick Burley

APOLOGIES

Kyra Simpson

ORGANISATION

Chair (Nottingham)
 NGB – Badminton Wales
 Comp Rep (Bournemouth)
 Men's Student Rep
 Vice President of Badminton England
 Consultant – Tournament Rep
 Performance Rep (Loughborough)
 Head of Comps – Badminton England
 Badminton Wales
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ORGANISATION

Women's Student Rep

Item	Action
<p>1. Apologies / Welcome</p> <p>Kyra – no comms, so will go out for new Female Student Rep</p> <p>Action: HU to post advert for new Female Student Rep and share with SAG to circulate across the network for greater reach.</p>	ML
<p>2. Review of Rules and Regs</p> <p>8.3.8.4.3 – NB will be taking a General reg review re: promotion going down to the 3rd placed team, if 1st and 2nd are not eligible.</p> <p>Reg 7.2 – Ranking system will stay the same. NB looking at wording re: ranking manipulation to ensure robustness and fairness of ranking list</p> <p>BAD i – BAD iv – continue to review at next meeting with Sue Orwin and team</p> <p>Scoring system - BUCS will stick to current scoring system for league and knockouts for 2026-27, but for individuals we will adopt the new BWF scoring system. Consultation would be useful for 2027-28 season.</p> <p>BAD11 – Member consultation has not yet taken place re: use of different shuttlecocks across the programme. However, in agreement that something needs to be changed for next season to support universities with the increasing cost. Agreed that tournament quality standard needs to be maintained at Premier and Tier 1, but at Tier 2 and below can be feather or hybrid. NB to take this to June Comp Group</p>	All

<p>Action:</p> <p>NB – to take reg changes raised to June comps group.</p> <p>Scoring Review – SAG to put together membership consultation to gain feedback on what we should do from 2027-28 season onwards, along with structural review. Is it worth doing this review post Individuals so that institutions and members have experience of both.</p>	
<p>3. BUCS Para Nationals Update</p> <p>Only doubles event at the moment</p> <p>Action: TM to share pack for review</p>	ML/TM
<p>4. BWF Scoring System integration into BUCS</p> <p>Covered in regulations</p>	MD
<p>5. A.O.B.</p> <p>BUCS National Streaming</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Could badminton England do it. MD – Badminton England could support, but what are the BUCS parameters that they would have to meet <p>BUCS Nationals Ranking</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TM is more guidance needed to support with the seeding appeals process. DL trying to get a rep from each region to support with fairer seeding across the regions. <p>Keira Pringle potential addition to the group as Scottish Rep</p> <p>6. Action:</p> <p>Badminton National Streaming – TM to set up conversation with BUCS Engagement and MD (Badminton England)</p> <p>ML to share Keira Pringle’s details with HU</p> <p>TM to share tournament handbook and guidance for SAG Review</p>	All

Dates and times of meetings for 2025-26 season.

Meeting 1 – 24/02/26 11am

Meeting 2 – 28/04/26 11am

Meeting 3 – 30/06/26 11am

Meeting 4 – TBC