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**Agenda for a meeting of  
Council  
on Tuesday 6 October 2015 at 18:00  
at the BPA Office  
5 Wharf Way, Glen Parva, Leicester LE2 9TF**

**1 Congratulations on members' achievements**

Congratulations to Mikey Lovemore who won double silver at the World Cup and European Championships in Speed Skydiving. His average speed of 498.23kph over four jumps is faster than the previous UK record for a single jump. He broke 500kph for the first time, one of only five people to ever do so in competition, and is now the 4th fastest speeder ever.

Congratulations also to team Euphoria (Dave Pacey, Paul Capsey and Sean Freeman) who won double bronze in Freely.

**2 Composition**

Brian Cumming stood down on 5 September. By custom and practice, casual vacancies are not filled.

**3 Apologies for absence**

**4 Declarations of interest**

**5 Minutes**

To note that the minutes (circulated) of the meeting held on Tuesday 11 August 2015 have already been approved electronically by the Council, and published on the BPA website [bpa.org.uk/member/agendas-and-minutes/](http://bpa.org.uk/member/agendas-and-minutes/)

**6 Matters arising not covered elsewhere on the agenda, including**

- 6.1 Minute 53.5 - Register of elected members' interests - Secretary
- 6.2 Minute 55 – Potential deregulation - update memo dated 21 September from Tony Knight (BPA Liaison Officer with CAA), circulated by e-mail on 22 September
- 6.3 Minute 56.1 - Review of BPA disciplinary procedures -Yassi Molazadeh
- 6.4 Minute 56.2 - Independent review of BPA procedures in relation to the World Cup in Wingsuiting at Skydive Netheravon, 25-29 May 2015 - COO & Secretary
- 6.5 Minute 56.3 - Insurance for delegation members to the World Cup in Indoor Skydiving (Prague, 21-24 October 2015) - Competitions Committee
- 6.6 Minute 56.4 - Update on Allan Hewitt's case at Sport Resolutions - COO & Secretary
- 6.7 Minute 56.5 - Belbin team role assessment - Secretary
- 6.8 Minute 56.6 - Invitation to the Patron - Chair
- 6.9 Minute 57.2 - Financial reserves policy - Treasurer
- 6.10 Minute 57.3 - Revised format for management report on investments - Financial Administrator
- 6.11 Minute 58.1.3 - Legal advice on planned variations to the Articles - Secretary
- 6.12 Minute 58.2 - Referral to the Development Committee of her idea about mentoring - Yassi Molazadeh
- 6.13 Minute 64 - Matter from an Affiliated PTO relating to Affiliation - COO
- 6.14 Any other matters arising not listed above.

**7 Finance**

- 7.1 Management accounts and membership numbers update (to follow).
- 7.2 Any other financial matters.

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**8 Report on IPC & the Royal Aero Club**

8.1 John Smyth MVO (UK Delegate to IPC, BPA Delegate to RAeC), John Hitchen (UK Alternate Delegate to IPC) & Craig Poxon (BPA Alternate Delegate to RAeC) to report.

8.2 *In camera* Nominations for FAI & Royal Aero Club Awards 2015. The call back date for nominations is usually about the time of the December Council meeting, so nominations need to be agreed in principle at today's meeting in order to give time for citations to be prepared. List of available awards circulated. Custom and practice is that, on sight of draft nominations, John Smyth (who is a member of the RAeC Medals & Awards Committee) advises on which award is likely to have the best fit with each of the citations.

**9 Strategy**

9.1 Pursuit of excellence  
Governance. Including:

(i) director training - 2 directors have yet to take part in a course;

(ii) Report on Stronger Future (Governance) Working Party meeting held by Skype on Monday 14 September 2015. This was to formulate the briefing for the legal draft (to be circulated) of variations to the composition of, and period of tenure on, Council - for consideration by Council for recommendation to the AGM on Saturday 30 January 2016 (for which the agenda needs to be settled by early November).

(iii) consideration of formulating an organisational mission - such as "BPA maintains and promotes the highest standards of safety and training in the sport. We encourage participation and promote excellence at all levels of skydiving from rookie to world class competitor." Please refer to paper from previous meetings. (recirculated).

9.2 Improve retention

9.3 Refurbish premises - Richard Coppock of Corporate Architecture to report (update to be circulated).

**10 Discussion with UK indoor skydiving operators about FAI indoor skydiving First Category Events**

COO to update orally.

**11 Reports from Committees of Council**

11.1 To discuss points arising from the minutes (previously circulated) of the Communications Committee meeting held on Tuesday 11 August 2015. These minutes have already been approved, ratified and published electronically.

11.2 To discuss points arising from the minutes (previously circulated) of the Development Committee meeting held on Tuesday 11 August 2015. These minutes have already been approved, ratified and published electronically.

11.3 To discuss points arising from the minutes (previously circulated) of the Competitions Committee meeting held on Tuesday 11 August 2015. These minutes have already been approved, ratified and published electronically.

11.4 To discuss and ratify the draft minutes (to follow) of the STC meeting held on Thursday 24 September 2015.

11.5 Oral report by the Committee Chairs on key points from meetings held earlier today:  
(i) Communications, (ii) Development, and (iii) Competitions.

**12 Staff Christmas lunch** - Item to be held in camera.

**13 Nominations for Council 2016** - Secretary to report

**14 Any other business** - to be notified to the Secretary by no later than noon on Friday 2 October 2015.

**15 Date of next meeting**

Tuesday 1 December, after a General Meeting of Members at 18:00, at the BPA Office, Glen Parva, Leicester LE2 9TF.