

SOUTHAMPTON NETBALL ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

The AGM was held on Monday 7th June 2010, in The Dance Studio at Tauntons College, Hill Lane, Southampton commencing at 7.30 p.m.

Chair: Elly Moore (EM)

Leanne Webb (LW)

Lara Venter (LV)

And 48 members of the Association

Mandy Gerrard (MG)

Vicky Ordish (VO)

Chris Granger (CG)

Maureen Windle (MW)

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| 1.1 | <p><i>Register of Attendance</i> All teams were asked to sign the register of attendance and check the contact e-mail address for their team.</p> | |
| 2. | <p><i>Minutes of the last AGM</i> Adoption of the Minutes from the previous AGM was proposed by Melissa Jones from Leighton and seconded by Ann Clark from Fleming. The minutes were adopted by all.</p> | |
| 3 | <p><i>Matters Arising</i> There were no matters arising.</p> | |
| 4 | <p><i>Adoption of the 2010 constitution</i> Amendments are still required to the constitution and so this will be sent to all teams in due course.</p> | |
| 5 | <p><i>Reports</i></p> | |
| 5.1 | <p><i>Chair</i> EM presented her report & announced that Maureen Windle had agreed to be President of the SNA.</p> | |
| 5.2 | <p><i>Honorary Treasurer</i> MW presented her report.</p> | |
| 5.3 | <p><i>Umpiring Development Officer</i> LV presented her report.</p> | |
| 5.4 | <p><i>League and Tournament Administrator</i> CG presented her report which included the results of the pre-AGM vote and questions were taken from the members.</p> <p>Yvonne (Phoenix) asked if the new league set up would be reviewed after one season. EM confirmed that it would be after one season. CG reminded everyone that league representatives are available to listen to views & feedback to the committee during the year.</p> <p>Chloe (Great Star) asked what the situation would be if a club has one team in the Winter League now and they want to put two teams in the new league. CG explained</p> | |

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| | <p>that they would be treated as an established team as SNA know the level that this club plays at.</p> <p>Amanda Smith (Nationwide) asked if this would be the same for teams that had not played in the Winter League for a long time. CG replied yes.</p> <p>Liz (Swan) commented that one week for consultation was too little for such a huge change. EM agreed it was a short turnaround request & explained the reasons for this. Liz said she does not believe that the process was transparent as it was so short. EM suggested that there are other situations where messages can be communicated within one week.</p> <p>Katherine (Rotary Blues) asked how many teams play on a Saturday as these teams would be affected more than those that just played during the week. LW stated that, from the list of e-mails and contacts, there are only a handful of teams that play during the week only. CG suggested that we focus on those who did reply and explained that the whole of the association should be involved in this.</p> <p>Katy Clark (7 Birds and a Ball) asked if the 15% of teams that did not vote could vote now and these votes be taken into account. EM explained that late votes would not be accepted; no-one had come back to the committee requesting more time or giving reasons for not voting.</p> <p>Mo (Phoenix) asked, if the entries into the new league reduced significantly compared to the previous Winter League, would this league still go ahead for one year. EM confirmed that this would be the case otherwise there would be no competitive netball until the following year. If the Winter League was reintroduced it could simply start late – in October 2012.</p> <p>Kim Smith (SPS Controls) asked if anything can be done about the lights as we will be playing in the evenings. CG hopes we will not have to use the lights much and explained that SNA have been asked to meet with the Sports Centre as there is now a new owner and this will be spoken about. Kim noted that the football pitches adjacent to the netball courts look as bright as daylight.</p> <p>Yvonne (Exel Builders) explained that her team did not vote as she was on holiday in America and did not get back in time. CG reiterated the need for the contacts with SNA to be up to date. Again, no-one had come back to the committee requesting more time or giving reasons for not voting.</p> <p>Katy Clark (7 Birds and a Ball) asked if there are any other Saturday leagues in our area. CG does not believe that there are; EM noted that other leagues in Hants and Dorset also play mid-week and this was one of the reasons behind this proposal.</p> <p>Yvonne (Phoenix) as if the committee would use the discontentment from the members as a learning-curve. EM confirmed that all comments – positive & negative would be taken on board.</p> <p>Clare (Leaders) asked if the committee would publish the results of the vote. EM confirmed that we would, provided all clubs agreed to their vote being published. EM expressed surprise that certain members seem to believe that the committee would</p> | |

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| | <p>falsify the vote. Clare explained that she was surprised that the proposals are going ahead as she has spoken to “many teams” and they said they were voting against them.</p> <p>Mo (Phoenix) asked why we did not put the times on the proposals. EM explained that days & times were not known when the proposal email was sent out & reiterated that teams now get Saturdays free. Mo replied that she enjoyed playing netball on a Saturday as she works during the week & expressed concern that the second round matches would finish late & she would get home even later & still have to go to work the next day.</p> <p>Caroline (Great Star) asked if there were any plans for Saturday netball in future. EM explained that there will be opportunities for tournaments to be held and CG explained that some tournaments have not gone ahead due to lack of participants because there had been too much weekend netball.</p> <p>Yvonne (Phoenix) said so many people want to play on a Saturday that SNA are cutting some people off. CG said that the number of entries into the new league would evidence this. EM reiterated that this was the majority decision of the association members.</p> <p>Laura Dyer (Leaders) asked if a system could be set up to pool players for teams unable to put out a full team during the week. CG noted that this league will not start until 2011 and so teams and individuals alike have a long time to think about if they want to enter or not or to join a new team (as just 5 players of an existing team are needed to maintain a league position). LV added that there is a forum on netballzone (SNA website) that teams could use for this. LV suggested that teams could organise friendly matches in the meantime.</p> <p>Cathy Coffin (SS Shooters) asked about insurance for friendly matches. LV explained that if teams are playing EN rules then they are covered but the level of cover is reduced if playing with males.</p> <p>Julie Hooper (Leighton) asked if the equivalent of the old Summer league could be played on a Saturday. EM said yes if there was someone willing to organise this. Cathy Coffin (SS Shooters) offered to organise this if there were enough teams interested.</p> <p>Amanda Kelly (Athletic) asked if teams will umpire and play on the same night. EM replied yes. LV suggested that if teams need an umpire they contact people playing on the other night as well & also suggested that some umpires may be willing to swap nights, umpire on both nights, etc. It will remain the team’s responsibility to provide an umpire.</p> <p>Kimberly Clark asked what would happen if a beginner umpire playing in division 3 was allocated to a premier division game. LV explained that beginner umpires would only be expected to umpire appropriate games but if they were allocated a premier division game they would be able to change courts with another umpire.</p> <p>Zara Clark (7 Birds and a Ball) asked if smoking could be prohibited on the walkway between the courts. EM said we could add it to the list of things to discuss with the new Sports Centre management.</p> | |

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| | There being no further questions, the meeting moved on. | |
| 6 | <p><i>Presentation of league trophies</i> Trophies were presented in accordance with the league results.</p> | |
| 7 | <p><i>Election of officers and members of the committee</i> Per the list of officers the following were not prepared to stand again LW (Honorary Secretary), MW (Honorary Treasurer), Theresa Gear (League Representative) and Jill Kennett (League Representative). Prior to the meeting & according to the nomination rules, Val Banks was proposed as Honorary Secretary and Leanne Webb was proposed as Honorary Treasurer. There were no other nominations.</p> <p>Despite earlier comments indicating a lack of trust in the existing committee, all Officers (those re-standing and the nominees) were elected unanimously.</p> | |
| 8 | <p><i>Date of next AGM</i> This will be held on Monday, 7th June, 2011, in the Theatre at Oasis Academy, Fairisle Road, Lordshill, Southampton, commencing at 19.30 p.m.</p> | |

The meeting was officially closed at 9.03pm, with thanks to all those who attended.

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