



Minutes of AGM held on 19.06.13

Present:

Angela Blowers, David Bartlett, Graham Clarke, Duncan Conway, Marion Conway, Malcolm Fraser, Barbara Lewczynska, Kevin Maughan, Sue Meehan, Mike Newlove, Tracey Shirvell, John Stobo, Pat Walker, Paul Widdicombe, Mary Wikner, Steve Willis, Ken Winchester (17 attendees)

1.	Apologies for Absence Sangeeta Dhall, Hitesh Shah, David Brown, Ash Kejriwal, Andy Gall, Phil Westwood
2.	Minutes of AGM 2012 Proposed - Malcolm Fraser Seconded – Marion Conway Accepted unanimously.
3.	Matters Arising Paul Widdicombe asked about the results of the working party. A summary of the current status is included in Malcolm Fraser's report. Paul suggested that multiple sessions of coaching per week should be considered for the county squads. It was agreed that the feasibility of this will be considered by the committee with regard to courts and player availability.
4.	Young Volunteer/ Young Coach of the Year Awards Beth Kirby was awarded Young Volunteer of the year and Nathan Schofield was awarded Young Coach of the year. William Pickford was also given special mention for the hard work which he had put in for the benefit of the younger players.
5.	Long Service Awards Long service awards were presented to a number of well established Committee members who had retired last season. The Association owes a debt of gratitude to Angela Blowers, for her untiring role as vice- Chair and the many additional tasks which she voluntarily undertook on behalf of our young players. Praise was also given to Pat Walker who had been working hard for HSBA over the last 25 years both assisting and acting as our u17 Squad Manager; during which time she actively participated in many notable successes for Hertfordshire. Profound thanks were also due to Mary Wikner, who had acted in a number of capacities, including Minutes Secretary. Tribute was also paid to Phil Westwood, for the excellent work that he had undertaken as Fixtures Secretary.



6	<p>Committee Reports</p> <p>a) Chaiman's</p> <p>Presented by Ken Winchester. A special mention was made of SCOBÉ, which has unfortunately folded this season. Paul Widdicombe asked what will happen to the funds as they had received an HCC award last year. This was unknown, but presumably decided by their constitution.</p> <p>b) Welfare Officer</p> <p>Presented By Barbara Lewczynska</p> <p>c) Squad Managers</p> <p>Written reports were presented to the meeting</p> <p>d) Tournaments – Open & Closed</p> <p>Presented By Barbara Lewczynska</p> <p>e) Clubs & Schools League</p> <p>Presented by MF. All clubs had been contacted but there had been a very poor response. The plan for next season is to use the Sundays at Birchwood for a couple of single day team tournaments</p> <p>f) HBA</p> <p>Presented by MF. HBA are putting plans together to encourage badminton in Primary schools in conjunction with HSBA. Examining funding options from BE.</p>
7	<p>Treasurers Report</p> <p>In Ash Kejriwal's absence Ken Winchester presented the treasurer's report.</p> <p>Paul Widdicombe queried U11 & U15 training costs (£0) compared to U13 & U17. It was accepted that some of the coaches for the U13 & U17 squads are paid, whereas all the U11 & U15 squad coaches are unpaid.</p> <p>Discussion about whether paid coaches are self-employed or employed by HSBA. It was agreed that the committee would confirm the situation – John Stobo advised that details were contained on HMRC website. John Stobo agreed to ask Brian Jackson to advise all Herts coaches.</p> <p>John Stobo requested clarification about the expenditure for the Eastern Region Tournament which had been recorded as £0, but the costs were considerable and may have been lumped into something else.</p> <p>Paul Widdicombe commented that court costs for Open Tournaments are excessive. It may be possible to reduce the costs by moving all HSBA tournaments to HSV, but at a risk of being vulnerable to court price rises.</p> <p>Proposed – Malcolm Fraser Seconded – Tracey Shirvell</p>
8	<p>Constitution Update</p> <p>The revised constitution was accepted unanimously.</p>



9	<p>Election of Officers</p> <p>Chairman – Ken Winchester Proposed - Malcolm Fraser Seconded – Mike Newlove</p> <p>Secretary – Kevin Maughan Proposed – en block Seconded – en block</p> <p>Treasurer - Ash Proposed - en block Seconded – en block</p> <p>Welfare Officer – Barbara Lewczynska Proposed - en block Seconded – en block</p>
10	<p>Election of Committee</p> <p>U11 Squad Manager – Sangeeta Dhall U13 Squad Manager – Mike Newlove U15 Squad Manager – Hitesh Shah U17 Squad Manager – David Brown</p> <p>Committee Member - Andy Gall Committee Member -Tracey Shirvell</p> <p>Proposed en block – Dave Bartlett Seconded en block – Marion Conway</p> <p>A request was made for someone to volunteer for the vacant Fixtures Secretary role to coordinate the fixtures and provide a single point of contact for booking venues.</p>
11	<p>AOB</p> <p>Malcolm Fraser noted that Paul Widdicombe has offered Birchwood for Sundays at a very reasonable rate. Courts available for coaching etc., but a court booking coordinator is required.</p> <p>The meeting was declared closed at 21:21</p>

K Maughan

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