

HERTFORDSHIRE SCHOOLS BADMINTON ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY 15th JUNE 2011 8.00 p.m. at Wellfield Room, Birchwood Leisure Centre, Hatfield.

Attendance: Gill Bartlett, Dave Bartlett, Angela Blowers, Graham Clarke, Marion Conway, Graham Hall, Ash Kejriwal, Barbara Lewscynska, Megan Lumb, Mike Newlove, Hitesh Shah, Pat Walker, Joan Walters, Phil Westwood, Mary Wikner, Ken Winchester

1. Apologies for absence - Pam Chinnery, Tony Clarke, Duncan Conway, Malcolm Fraser, Kevin Maughan

2. Minutes of last Annual General Meeting 24.6.2010 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

3. Matters Arising - none

4. Hertfordshire Young Coach of the Year 2010 - 11 Joint award to Max Crouch and Carly Morris for their strong ongoing commitment.

Hertfordshire Young Volunteer of the year 2010 - 11 Dale Maddox. Highly Commended Certificate awarded to Mark Sadler. Both were congratulated on their efforts during the year.

5. Committee Reports for Season 2010 - 11 Full reports were circulated at the meeting and are attached to file copy of Minutes. Copies available on request to any member of HSBA. They are summarised as follows:-

The Chairman Ken Winchester thanked all the committee together and many others who give their time so generously, in particular the squad managers.. He made special mention of Marion Conway and Megan Lumb who were both retiring from their long standing roles with HSBA. He congratulated Pat Walker on her successful first year as solo manager for U17 squad. He thanked Duncan Conway for taking over the Schools/clubs league. He welcomed Mike Newlove as assistant manager for U13 squad. He stressed that without these volunteers HSBA would not function and called for more parental involvement.

Welfare Officer – Barbara Lewsczynska – no issues arose during the year.

U11 and Development Squad – in Sangheeta Dhall's absence there was no report.

U.13 Squad Graham Hall – expressed thanks to again Jo Goode. He wished Marion Conway well in her retirement and hoped she would continue to take a close interest in the squad. He also welcomed Mike Newlove as assistant manager.

U.15 Squad Hitesh Shah thanked all those who had helped during the year – John Stobo, Caroline Jennings, Razinal Scofeld, Mandy English (Parent rep), Geoff Daniels and Conor Bambrick. Successful year.

U.17 Squad Pat Walker thanked Chris Dakin and David Westwood for all their help with coaching and Liz Hatt as Parent rep. Very pleasing year.

HSBA Open and Closed Tournaments - Angela Blowers reported that U17 was very difficult due to extremely harsh weather, but U13 was slightly easier. Thanks were expressed to Eric Fehily as new Tournament Secretary who was encountered a particularly difficult year. Mike Newlove was welcomed as Tournament Secretary.

Closed tournaments – Barbara Lewscynska added to her report that she had packs of posters for display around the county and asked for help in distributing these. DB – at Herts Youth Games each district could take a pack.

Clubs and Schools League – nothing to report but Duncan Conway would be willing to pass this role to another volunteer if one were forthcoming.

Hertfordshire Badminton Association (HBA) and Badminton Development Officer (BDO)

The Minutes of their AGM were circulated and Dave Bartlett took the meeting through these in some detail.

Jenni Crisp was welcomed as the new BDO.

Ken Winchester thanked Dave Bartlett and Malcolm Fraser for their support of HSBA throughout the year.

6. Treasurer's Report and Presentation of Accounts

The Treasurer, Ash Kejriwal, circulated his report and end of year accounts. The accounts showed an excess of £67 of income over expenditure. He was thanked by Ken Winchester for his meticulous running of the accounts. Joan Walters raised the question of managers' travel expenses – as these had not been received by the Treasurer in this financial year they will be paid in 2011-12. The accounts were then formally adopted – proposed by Ken Winchester, seconded by Joan Walters.

7. Election of Officers 2010-11

The officers were elected as follows:-

Chairman - Ken Winchester	Proposed Hitesh Shah	Seconded Graham Hall
Vice Chairman – Angela Blowers	Proposed Marion Conway	Seconded Mike Newlove
Treasurer – Ash Kejriwal	Proposed Pat Walker	Seconded Joan Walters
Minutes Secretary - Mary Wikner	Proposed Mike Newlove	Seconded Angela Blowers
Secretary - Kevin Maughan	Proposed Mary Wikner	Seconded Ken Winchester
Welfare Officer – Barbara Lewczynska	Proposed Graham Hall	Seconded Mary Wikner

8. Election of Committee 2010 - 2011

The officers together with squad managers and Phil Westwood (Fixtures Secretary) were willing to stand again together with Mike Newlove (Tournament Secretary). There being no further nominations from the floor, they were duly elected.

9. Election of Vice Presidents

In recognition of their invaluable services to Herts badminton the following people were invited to serve as Vice Presidents to the Association. The Chairman presented them as follows:-

Marion Conway - had been involved with HSBA for 27 years, and with U13 squad for many of those. She also had been involved in junior badminton with the formation of Swifts Club for many more years. An enormous debt of gratitude was due to her. Proposed by Graham Hall, seconded by Kevin Maughan.

Megan Lumb – her contribution to HSBA with her involvement with tournaments and the newsletter and many other vital tasks was acknowledged and she was thanked by Ken Winchester on behalf of the committee. Proposed by Ken Winchester, seconded by Pat Walker.

Malcolm Lumb – who had also been involved with HSBA for many years and had served as Treasurer until three years ago. His great contribution was also gratefully acknowledged. Proposed by Joan Walters, seconded by Ash Kejriwal.

The meeting unanimously endorsed this recognition of their achievements.

10. Any Other Business

- (a) Angela Blowers reported that she and Pat Walker recently attended the Eastern Region meeting and expressed concern over BE new structure as there is no specific committee for junior badminton. Dave Bartlett will raise this at BE AGM on 25.6.11.
- (b) Dave Bartlett has leaflets for Level 1 coaching course in September.
- (c) Hitesh Shah queried the position of players who had not played their squad fees. The committee had previously stated that they should not be selected for matches as they were not part of the squad nor were they insured. Matter referred to committee.
- (d) Ken Winchester made a presentation to Marion Conway and Megan Lumb and reiterated HSBA's gratitude to them both.

The meeting closed at 9.04 p.m.

