

Southampton Athletic Club
Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
Monday 21st November 2016
The View, Southampton Sports Centre

Present:

See separate list of all attendees

Apologies:

Mark West
Hannah Willson
Nick Willson
Ray Needle
Tim Hall

1. Minutes of the Last Meeting & Matters Arising:

Minutes of Last Meeting:

The minutes of Annual General Meeting held on 16th November 2015 were agreed.

Matters Arising: none

2. Chair's Report

Richie Pearson opened the meeting and informed the AGM of the death of Harvey Bowles, a hugely influential figure in the Club. The meeting observed a minute's silence in his memory.

He circulated a copy of his Chair's report to the meeting (copy attached)

3. Membership Report

Fiona Webb circulated her membership report to the meeting which provided comparative data over the last 4 year period. The Club has an overall membership of 603, 541 of whom are athletes , with 62 classed as non- competing "other" categories. Year 4 membership is traditionally slow to build, and is expected to increase over current levels. U17W figures show an increase, attributable to the success of the Female Mentoring initiative, whereas membership within the U15B and U17 M category has witnesses a decline in numbers. Promotion to the premier league in the BAL has attracted high calibre senior men to the club. Efforts by Becky Mulley, Dave Blackman and Andy

Morgan-Lee in attracting 2nd claim athletes to the club have paid dividends in the Veterans' league. She acknowledged the work of Nikki Purse in her role as Junior Membership Secretary

4. Treasurer's Report

Gordon Whelan had circulated the Trustees' Annual Report, the Receipts and Payments Accounts and the Independent Examiner's Report prior to the AGM.

In accordance with Charity Commission guidelines, the accounts were received by the meeting.

He also circulated a Treasurer's Summary Report (copy attached also) to the meeting which provided an overview of the past financial year. Total income for the year amounts to £30k, expenditure has increased by 34%, in the main attributable to the track hire costs which amount to £7,500 for the three quarters paid within the financial year. He reported that, in recognition of a hugely successful year, that SAC would not levy a charge for the Annual Awards Evening and would provide transport to and from the venue. The year-end surplus stands at £10k

He reported that costs for the new trackside Pavilion would be met from next year's funds. He summarised the position and restrictions which apply to the Club's Reserve funds.

He provided a forecast for expenditure and income for the forthcoming year and predicted a deficit in the region of £17K

He drew attention to the Gift Relief form, available on the club's website, whereby the club and the individual benefit from tax relief. He appealed for anyone with experience of Charity Campaign work and fundraising to come forward

He reported that the club had received £1k in sponsorship from "Data Techniques" for the summer Open meets, and he encouraged the meeting to spread the word amongst the wider membership for businesses to come forward with offers of sponsorship.

5. Athletic Achievement

Andy Fisher reported on one of the most successful years in the Club's history. A copy of his report was circulated to the meeting, and a copy is attached with these minutes.

6. Election of Committee Members

As is customary, Richie Pearson stood down from his position as Chair, and stood again for re-election as Chair of Southampton Athletic Club.

Proposed : Mary Axtell

Seconded : Neil Wells

Club Officers for election:

Mary Axtell - President
Andy Fisher - Vice Chair
Fiona Webb - Membership Secretary
Gordon Whelan - Treasurer
Diane Reavey - Secretary

Proposed by - Dave Blackman
Seconded by – Gary Macdonald -Gray

Election of general committee members:

Alan Cropp
Michael Coker
Chris Taylor
Mirella Spalluto
Keith Hollis
Nicci Blandford
Tracey Jones
Tim Hall
Mark West

Also of the following Vice- Presidents :
Martin Axtell, David Corbett, David Creedon, Paul Creedon, Margaret Tizzard-Hibbs, Des Webb
and Alison Beckingham.

and Life Vice presidents :
Mary Axtell, Jean Bowles, Pete Wareing, Alan Cropp and Alan O’Dell

Proposed by – Fiona Webb
Seconded by – Neil Wells

7. Resolutions:

The Secretary confirmed that no Resolutions had been received.

8. There were no items under Any Other Business.

Richie Pearson closed the meeting, and thanked everyone for attending.

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Ian Burgess

Keith Hollis

Chris Taylor

Steven Phillips

David Blackman

Sara MacDonald –Gray

Gary MacDonald-Gray