



Warwickshire Badminton Association

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Minutes of the 87th Annual General Meeting held on Thursday 8th June 2017 at North Leamington School, Sandy Lane, Blackdown. CV32 6RD at 8pm

Attendance – Chaired by Chris Osborne

Colin Jones, Mary Le Druillenec, Alan Spink, Sue Spink, Paul Harris, John Brown, Rizvan Sadikot, Julia Hammerton (WSBA), James Wilkinson (White Lions) and Rob Goode (taking minutes).

- 1) **Apologies:** - Frank Wilson, Sheila Stones, Max Grant, Cat Grant.
- 2) **Minutes of 2016 Annual General Meeting:** - Minutes of this meeting had been circulated previously. Rob Goode reported that he had not received any significant comments regarding these minutes. Colin Jones asked if it were within the remit of this meeting to elect the County Captain, this being particularly pertinent as Catherine Grant has previously announced her retirement from this position. Rob Goode indicated that he thought that this position was offered to a player after discussion at what was the Representative Play Board (now Management Board). After some discussion, it was proposed by Chris Osborne and seconded by Mary le Druillenec that the matter be decided at the July meeting of the Management Board. The proposal was agreed unanimously. Colin was anxious that the team managers discuss this matter and agree upon a suitable candidate prior to the meeting. The team managers agreed to this.

ACTION – County Secretary to include this matter on the agenda for next meeting.

The 2016 AGM minutes were signed off by the Chairman.

- 3) **Chairman's Comments:** - Chris Osborne provided the meeting with a summary of the county's activities this season. The full text of this statement may be found in attachment 1 of these minutes.
- 4) **Treasurer's Report & Accounts:** - Mary Le Druillenec provided the meeting with a written financial report (see attachment 2) and verbally expanded upon the written commentary that was supplied. The county made a loss of £1727 in the 2016/17 season. A number of one off losses were made including County Kit purchase and a fall in the number of players affiliating to Badminton England. It is the Treasurer's intention to provide the Management Meeting in July with a budget for next season to enable the meeting to set fees in relation to where we want to be in cash terms.
- 5) **Membership Fees for the 2017-2018 Season:** - Badminton England have indicated that BE fees for 2017/18 will be £10 for PLAY Membership and £20 for COMPETE Membership. It was decided that in view of the discussions in item 4 above, the decision on the Warwickshire Fee would be deferred to the July meeting of the Management Board.
- 6) **Election of Officers for the 2016 - 2017 Season:** - Colin Jones was standing for re-election to the role of President and was elected by unanimous vote (proposer Rob Goode, seconder Chris Osborne).
Chris Osborne was standing for re-election to the role of Chairman and was elected by unanimous vote (proposer Rizvan Sadikot, seconder Colin Jones).
Rob Goode stood down from the position of Secretary. Julia Hammerton was elected by unanimous vote (proposer Rob Goode, Seconder Chris Osborne).
Mary le Druillenec was standing for re-election to the role of Treasurer and was elected by unanimous vote (proposer Colin Jones, seconder Chris Osborne).
- 7) **Election of Committee of Management for the 2016 – 2017 Season:** -
The following committee members were standing for re-election.
Mary Le Druillenec – Membership Secretary
Sue Spink – Competition Secretary



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Max Grant - 1st Team Manager
Paul Harris - 2nd Team Manager
Alan & Sue Spink - 3rd Team Managers
John Brown – Masters Co-ordinator
Alan Spink - Child Protection/County Photographer
Tim Ward - Coaching Coordinator
Rizvan Sadikot – WSBA & Umpires Representative
Frank Wilson – Alternate Representative to General Meetings

The above Committee Members were elected by unanimous vote (proposer Colin Jones, seconder Rob Goode).

Colin Jones expressed his disappointment that there is no obvious replacement for Tim Ward in his role of Central Sports Ranking co-ordinator. The relationship between WBA and Central Sports goes back a great many years and it will be a sad day if the award disappears.

ACTION – Agenda item - The positions of Central Sports Ranking co-ordinator and Representative to General Meetings to be confirmed at the next Management Meeting.

- 8) **Area Representatives:** - These were confirmed as follows -
Coventry – Chris Osborne
Solihull – Alan Spink/Paul Harris
Leamington – Chris Osborne
Birmingham – Sheila Stones/Rizvan Sadikot.
- 9) **Fixtures Meeting and Restricted Tournament Update:** - A survey has been circulated by Badminton England regarding possible adjustments to the format of the County Championships for the 2017/18 season, for which they required a reply by 9th June.
After some discussion, it was decided that Warwickshire would vote for option 2 in respect of promotion/relegation, that is two up and 2 down.
It was also decided that Warwickshire would vote for option 2 in respect of format change, that is 3 mixed doubles instead of 3 men's singles.
Sue Spink agreed to complete the survey on behalf of Warwickshire.
- 10) **Dates for 2017 – 2018 Committee Meetings:** - It was agreed that the next Management Meeting will be held at Barkers Butts on Wednesday 5th July. Mary Le Druillenc agreed to handle the room booking.
- 11) **A.O.B.:-** Paul Harris would like to discuss County Practice sessions at the next Management Meeting.

ACTION – Agenda item for next Management Meeting.

Colin Jones suggested that Team Managers have a proposal for the position of County Captain ready for the meeting on 5th July. Paul Harris indicated that they already had someone in mind but had not discussed it with them yet.

Rizvan Sadikot reported that a proposal is currently being discussed at Badminton England that counties/tournament organisers using umpires should be charged a fee for them.

The Chairman presented Rob Goode with a gift as a token of appreciation for his period of service to the county. Rob expressed his gratitude for the gift and would also like to thank all of those committee members (present and past) for their support and for making his time with Warwickshire so enjoyable.

The meeting was closed by the Chairman at 21:32