



Minutes of Annual General Meeting

Date – 18 June 2012

Location – Greenwich Primary School Hall

Attendees

Committee

Ronen Ghosh – President
Martin Cunningham – Grounds Development
David Marshall – Registrar
Bill Pate - Secretary
Craig Poole – Director of Coaching
Leigh Robinson – Treasurer
Gemma Rooney – Netball Coordinator

Members

Steve Carr
Sharon Morse
Cassandra Gray-Spencer
Manny Mellos
Graeme Poole
Paul Keall
Michele Simos
Frank Hamersley
Mark Merrick

Apologies

Andreas Laubi

Start of meeting – 8.15 PM

Close of meeting - 10.00 PM

Minutes - Bill Pate

Chair - Ronen Ghosh

1 Quorum and other procedural matters

Ronen Ghosh noted that a Quorum was present, two weeks notice had been given to all members of the date and venue of the AGM and the AGM was being held within 6 months from the end of the Club's financial year.

2 Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 14 June 2011

The minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting of the Greenwich Sports Club held on 14 June 2011 were accepted.



3 President's Report

Ronen Ghosh provided a verbal report on significant aspects of the Club's activities since the previous AGM as follows:

- The work of the Committee members was acknowledged. Special mention was made of members who had indicated that they wished to stand down as Committee Members (Vicki Shaw, Leigh Robinson, Adrian Sue and Gemma Rooney) and Ronen thanked them for their efforts.
- Other members who performed special roles for the Club were also acknowledged (Manny Mellos, James Greenwood, Andreas Laubi, Matthew Haywood, Cass Spencer-Gray and Sharon Morse).
- The Club currently had 478 players (down from 527 in 2011). There had been a decrease in football players but an increase in netball players.
- A number of meetings were held: there had been 6 Committee Meetings since the previous AGM; the Club had been represented at the KDSA AGM and various Workshops; Vicki Shaw had served on the KDSA Womens' Committee; meetings had been held with the Greenwich Public School and Lane Cove Council.
- Vicki Shaw and Manny Mellos had put together a merchandising relationship with Kingsgrove Sports.
- A number of formal policies had been adopted and published on the Club's website – particular thanks was given for David Marshall's efforts in this area.
- Craig Poole was thanked for putting together the Club's Yearbook and organizing its printing.
- Successful sporting achievements included: 4 teams won their Gala Days; 2 teams were Runners-up at Gala Day; GSC teams won the Bra Cup and the Mullet Cup and the Riverview Cup and the senior netball team was a Grand Finalist.
- Club events included: Picnic Day; Registration Information evening; Grading for U8 and above; Grading for Womens' teams; the Kick for Kolling fundraiser.
- A Member Survey had been conducted in 2011 and the feedback from this encouraged the Committee to focus on certain issues, including grading and the appointment of Dusan Mihajlovic as Head Coach (Football).
- The Club had played a role in remedial work on Bob Campbell Oval and the School Ground and had agreed to contribute towards the cost.
- To recognize the Club's 75th Anniversary in 2011, special Anniversary Jackets had been made and distributed to all Club members, Managers and Coaches.
- Vicki Shaw had worked hard to get the Kolling Foundation as an additional Sponsor. The Club was grateful for the support of the Kolling Foundation and the other club sponsors (Northern Sports Physiotherapy Clinic and Harbourline Real Estate).
- Craig Poole had been appointed as Director of Coaching and a number of coaching initiatives had been rolled out.
- The Club had continued to replace equipment and uniforms.

4 Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2011

Leigh Robinson advised that the Club had a minor loss for the year but had adequate reserves. The main items of expenditure were on registration fees paid to KDSA, uniforms and equipment, 75TH Anniversary Jackets and contributions to remedial work on Bob Campbell Oval and the School Ground.

The meeting resolved to receive the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2011.

Ronen Ghosh thanked Fiona Karlake who had conducted an honorary audit of the financial statements and also thanked Leigh Robinson who was retiring as Treasurer.



5 Election of Committee Members

It was noted that the following members of the Committee had indicated that they did not wish to seek re-election - Vicki Shaw (Vice President), Leigh Robinson (Treasurer), Gemma Rooney (Netball Convenor) and Adrian Sue (Committee Member).

The following Members nominated for election to the Committee:

- 5.1 Ronen Ghosh (the current President) was elected unopposed as President for a period of 2 years.
- 5.2 David Marshall (the current Registrar) was elected unopposed for a period of 2 years.
- 5.3 Craig Poole (the current Director of Coaching) was elected unopposed for a period of 2 years.
- 5.4 Steve Carr (nominee for Treasurer) was elected unopposed for a period of 2 years.
- 5.5 Sharon Morse (nominee for Netball Convenor) was elected unopposed for a period of 2 years.

Nominations were sought for the position of Vice President as a result of Vicki Shaw indicating a desire to step down from the Committee. No nominations were received.

6 Director of Coaching Report

Craig Poole advised the meeting of developments that had taken place in relation to coaching, as follows:

- Tenders had been issued to selected professional coaches to take on the role of Head Coach (Football). A Coaching Committee consisting of Craig Poole, Graeme Poole, Karl Sadiq, Russell Morgan and Trevor Patrick had vetted the responses and interviewed 3 applicants. Dusan Mihajlovic of Youth Soccer Academy was selected and had commenced conducting additional training sessions for teams.
- Other initiatives included: organizing a Grassroots Coaching session (attendance had been the highest ever achieved for a KDSA Grassroots coaching session); undertaking Grading of selected teams; preparation of a Coaching Manual.
- The Committee is examining a proposal from Dusan to integrate his Academy players into GSC teams from U8 to U12 in 2013.

7 Netball Convenor Report

Gemma Rooney gave a report on Netball activities during 2012, during which she:

- Advised that in 2012 there were 9 GSC teams, comprising 3 Netta teams, 4 Junior teams and 2 Senior teams.
- Acknowledged the role that some high school girls had played in acting as coaches or assistant coaches.
- Thanked Cass Gray-Spencer and Sharon Morse for assisting her in the role of Netball Convenor, including helping with team formation and attending Northern Suburbs Netball Association meetings.

8 Re-adoption and amendment of the Constitution

Bill Pate advised the meeting of the need for the special resolution to re-adopt the Constitution and to pass an amendment to the Constitution regarding the Quorum as set out in the Notice of Annual General Meeting.

The meeting resolved unanimously to re-adopt the Constitution that had been passed at the 2010 Annual General Meeting with the amendment to clause 25.1 as set out in the Notice of Annual General Meeting.



9 Other Business

Ronen Ghosh asked if there were any other matters that the members wished to raise.

Martin Cunningham thanked Ronen for his efforts as President over the past year.

Craig Poole thanked David Marshall for all the work he had done in communicating with members.

Ronen Ghosh advised the meeting that Martin Cunningham had been heavily involved in getting Lane Cove Council to improve the drainage of BCO and upgrade the amenities block.

Ronen advised that Lane Cove Council was looking at sites for an artificial playing surface and it had identified 3 possible grounds – Blackman, Pottery Green and BCO. He noted that the introduction of an artificial playing surface at Northbridge had polarised that community as it had resulted in an increase in usage by local and non-local teams and consequent traffic increases.

Mark Merrick pointed out that any increase in use of BCO should be accompanied by segregated pedestrian access and traffic calming devices on the lower part of St Vincents Road.

10 Closure of Meeting

The AGM closed at 10.00pm.