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Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at Wetherby Sports Association on Saturday 14/11/2009.

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| <u>Present</u> | President | - Alan Swift (Wetherby) |
| | Secretary | - Sue Swift (Wetherby) |
| | Treasurer/Memb.Sec | - Bill Vicker (Brandesburton) |
| | Development Officer (W) | - Ted Beetham (Mistral) |
| | Development Officer (E) | - Don Jackson (York RI) |
| | Umpire | - Ray Gatenby (Doncaster) |
| | Youth Development | - Ruth Borrowdale (Mistral) |
| | Wetherby | - John & Jenny Stockton |
| | Bridlington | - Peter & Madge Jordan , Chris O'Rourke , Chris Cann |
| | Doncaster | - Gill & Helen Stirland |
| | York RI | - Angie Gaughan , Angela Fletcher |
| | Brandesburton | - David Wiseman , Keith & Cynthia Turner |
| | The Fox | - Barbara & Mick Hardisty |
| | Leeds | - Mike Walkley |
| | Mistral | - Richard Marston , Andy Willis , Ben Pattison |
| | Unattached | - Matt Blyton |

The President opened the meeting at 10.35 am

- 1) Apologies for absence were received from Stewart Ainley, Helen Jarvis, Jackie Batstone & John Gaughan.
- 2) a) The minutes of the 2008 AGM were approved unanimously.
Proposer Ted Beetham , seconder Peter Jordan.
b) There were no matters arising from the minutes.
- 3) Alan read out his report which was mainly a review of the previous year.
A copy is attached.
- 4) Bill circulated and reviewed the accounts.
Some of the points highlighted were;
 - The balance at 30/9/09 was £2182.98 , an increase of £691.71 on the previous year.
 - Income from the regional precept was £762 , an increase of £150 on the previous year.
 - The main reason for the balance increase was a decrease in expenditure particularly on juniors coaching and travel expenses for international representation.

There were no questions and the accounts were accepted unanimously.

- 5) Regional Fees
The national fees for 2010/11 are not yet known.
Bill proposed that the regional precept should remain at £6. Angie pointed out that other regions particularly the larger ones have a lower precept but without more details we cannot compare like for like fees and costs.
Bill's proposal was passed unanimously.

- 6) 1) The proposal to change the constitutional quorums for meetings was passed unanimously.
A copy of the amended constitution is attached.
- 2) The wording change regarding kit rules was passed unanimously.
- 3) The proposal to increase regional tournament entry fees was defeated by 18 votes to 8 with 1 abstention.
- 4) The proposal to amend the Northern Ranking Points system was passed unanimously.
- 5) The proposal to remove matching kit requirements at regional tournaments was defeated by 18 votes to 9.
- 6) The proposal to increase the emphasis of head to head results to decide the winner where a knockout system is not used for a Regional Titles event was passed by 13 votes to 12 with 1 abstention. However head to head results will not be considered if more than 2 teams end on the same number of wins.

A copy of the playing rules for 2010 is attached.

- 7) The development officer (West) had decided to stand down since he does not live in the North West during the summer. After the agenda had been circulated the Youth Development Officer had decided to stand down. The Coach had indicated that he would stand again but only if there were no other candidates.

The other officers positions were confirmed unanimously with the position of playing officer remaining vacant.

The constitution allows the presiding officer to accept nominations from the floor for vacant positions. Ted and Ruth volunteered to stand for Youth Development Officer and Development Officer (West) respectively so in effect they are switching positions. Their election was approved unanimously.

Richard volunteered to stand as coach and based on Luke's stated position this was allowed and was approved unanimously.

- 8) Bill Vicker had arranged for Madge Jordan to audit the 2009 accounts following Tony Costello's resignation on health grounds.
Bill proposed that Madge should continue as the auditor and this was passed unanimously.
- 9) Other business.
None raised.

The President closed the meeting at 11.52 pm.