



Board Basketball England

79th Annual General Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday 10th December 2020

Location:

via zoom

Present:

Chair- Matt Neville

Vice Chair- Russell Bell

CEO- Stewart Kellett

Company Secretary- Victoria Jones

Board members present:

- Cedi Frederick
- Tim Brown
- Benny Bonsu
- Graham Biggs

Apologies:

Julie Page

Welcome from the Chair

MN welcomed attendees into the meeting and thanked individuals for attending.

MN confirmed the meeting was quorate and highlighted that no questions prior to the meeting had been received.

MN thanked the membership for their flexibility and support during the Covid period and acknowledged the difficulties which clubs were facing.

MN gave thanks to Alan Richardson and Jason Seiken for their time on the board and also gave thanks to his predecessor, Clare Wardle.

MN summarised the AGM agenda and the two resolutions which required voting as follows:

1. **To approve the minutes from the 78th Annual General Meeting held on Saturday 28th September 2019**
2. **To appoint Auditors for the financial year 2020/21**

Divya Gorasia (DG) was appointed as teller.

Agenda

3. To approve the minutes from the 78th Annual General Meeting
Proposed and seconded by Meehra Gorasia and Pete Griffiths

The Minutes were approved

4. To present the Annual Report for 2019/20

SK and the executive team gave an overview of activity outlined in the 2019/20 Annual Report which is available on the Basketball England website.

MN asked if the membership had any questions. Graham Blankley (Nottingham Hoods) queried sponsorship and the potential for this going forward. SK explained BE had engaged with an organisation called The Sports Consultancy and gave an overview of progress to do with brand-marketisation which was realised pre-covid.

Luke Freer (West Midlands Regional Chair) highlighted the importance of leveraging clubs alongside marketing 'tools' in order to mobilise this.

RB (Vice Chair) agreed and summarised the situation with The Sports Consultancy and the marketing strategy in order to mobilise this.

Jeff English (Nottingham Basketball Association) queried what BE were doing to retain membership. SK highlighted there had been a reduction in membership figures due to Covid and the cancellation of the season and explained retention was an upmost priority. SK explained future work was focused around leveraging services offered by basketball England in conjunction with member benefits.

Russell Levenston (Leicester Riders) queried how BE were going to engage the 1.3m basketball participants across the country and encourage them to become BE members. SK and GB gave an overview of the Basketball Reimagined project and plans to engage with and leverage participants through the use of data.

5. To present the Annual Accounts - Year Ending 31 March 2020.

MN asked the membership if they had any questions to do with the annual accounts.

AF queried how staff salary count has reduced but salary costs increased. SK explained this was due to support costs allocated to salaries.

RL queried why SE funding had decreased. SK explained this was a planned income reduction due to Sport England's trajectory.

SK referred the room to the additional notes in accounts for clarification.

6. To appoint Auditors for the financial year 2020/21
Proposed and seconded by Andy Harrison-Beaumont and Kate Lewis
Sedulo Audit Limited appointed as auditors

7. Director Election Results
Russell Levenston Elected as BE Board Director by the membership

MN welcomed Russell to the BE Board

END OF MEETING