



Wessex Volleyball 2020 AGM Minutes

MEETING (Virtual)

17th September 2020

Attendees

Amelia Fumpston, Amy Weemes, Andrea Barnes, Annetta Minard, Anthony Roberts, Chloe Lambert, Colin Angell, Dan Hunter, Daniele Quadarella, Dave Gunter, Ellis Phillips, Hayley Wilson, Helen Rushby, Geoff Allen, Izzy D'Arcy-Wykes, Jared Furbank, Karen Atkins, Karen Lambert, Lee Atkins, Louise Martin, Louise Wengert, Maisie Summers, Matt Hunter, Matt King, Mel Wengert, Michelle Honeybun, Natasha Chedgy, Oskar Lynard, Peter Lambert, Pheobe Martin, Rachel Angell, Rhys Lambert, Tara D'Arcy-Wykes, Tara King, Wayne Tinsley-Veale.

Apologies

Ali Crook, Andy Jones, Carole McCabe, Grace Langen, Iris Gernier, Kieron Yon, Ludwig Ettner, Monja Gerbasi, Monta Rienktina, Nicholas Morris, Pak Ho Yu.

Link to Recording

https://transcripts.gotomeeting.com/?fbclid=IwAR15RzokYWbv1P_EoYGzfbQTGqB9R10xbsBFMEwMqD5K4uqI0sbym5JpaPA#/s/65bdbc1c2ad94de40acb24d40fe5d49d7990104250d320dcc8d2dff69c9616b2

Minutes

- Chair **Dave Gunter (DG)** welcomed everyone to the 2020 (Virtual) AGM and thanked them for giving up their time to attend.
1. **Matters arising from the previous AGM**
 - No matters from the previous AGM
 2. **Chairperson Report – Dave Gunter**
 - **DG** congratulated the members for the results in competitions across the UK. Particularly the Men's Super League for securing their place after being bottom after the first round of matches. **DG** mentioned that it was unfortunate that we were unable to finish.

- **DG** shared the current Club structure and thanked those involved for the big steps forward.
- **DG** highlighted the vacant positions and that it is important for the Club that people take on these roles in some capacity – no matter how big or small.
- The Club now has over 15 coaches lined up to help within the teams this season. **DG** passed his thanks to all of those for giving up their time for the squads.
- **DG** highlighted the progress that the Club has made after receiving feedback from the Club members. He continued with the priorities for the upcoming season and encouraged members to get involved.

3. Treasurer Report – Peter Lambert

- **Peter Lambert (PL)** thanked Lynn Allen for the support and detailed records she provided so he could take over the role of Club Treasurer.
- This season was intended to be the season of consolidation to review the Club's financial standing, where the sources of income would come and where the Club expenditure goes.
- After the season, reflecting on new knowledge **PL** said he was happy he understands the Club finances
- **PL** explained that we manage the Adults and Juniors accounts independently. **Peter** continued to walk through the main categories of income and expenditure for the adult and junior sections of the Club.
- **PL** confirmed the Club made an overall loss of £560 for the previous season and looking forward we need to be able to balance the books. This has been the reason for the increase in membership fees for 2020-21 season.

4. Safeguarding & Welfare Officer Report – Michelle Honeybun

- **Michelle Honeybun (MH)** thanked the coaches for the DBS checks and making it easier for her.
- **MH** shared the new coaches' registration system that is now on our website for coaches. When they sign up, they will provide all the VE registration, DBS numbers and safeguarding courses in a single place for the Club to collect, verify and provide reminders for renewal (where needed!).
- Ahead of the new season, there will be additional signage around training sessions to raise awareness of who the safeguarding officers are within the Club should any members need to talk to them.

5. Secretary Report – Dan Hunter (acting Secretary)

- **Dan Hunter (DH)** informed that Club membership had been consistent year on year and that we hope to increase this over the coming seasons in line with the Club development plan
- **DH** shared with the members that the Board had met over 10 times this year, formally and informally to discuss Club matters and move the Club forward while activities have been paused.
- **DH** highlighted the main focus of the year had been to reduce the workload on the existing volunteers by automating everything that we could and ensure our public presence was up to date (e.g. website as 'one-stop shop' in the Members' zone to give all the information about the Club).
- The Club is registered with Volleyball England for the coming season, which renewed the Club insurance through to July 2021.

- **DH** highlighted to the members that the Club has a reduced training capacity for the coming season because some facilities are unavailable until January 2021. All members should look at the training schedule in the Club website to check for changes.

6. Junior Development Officer Report – Annetta Minard

- **Annetta Minard (AM)** explained how the junior development and the Club development plan have merged into one since they are closely linked.
- **AM** shared the current report and feedback that has been tracked through the reviews and Club survey results. **AM** offered the Club members the opportunity to get involved and provide feedback to shape the report.
- **AM** summarised the report, shared the current action points that the Board are working on and encouraged members to view the full report on the website.

7. Co-opted Board Members Report – Anthony Roberts

- **Anthony Roberts (AR)** summarised the work the co-opted members had been involved in over the season and how they have assisted the Board over the past year.
- **AR** thanked **Colin Angell (CA)** for the work on the Club survey and shared how it had shaped the development report and focus for the Board members.
- **AR** highlighted the next focus will be reviewing the policies and making sure that they are up to date and suitable for the Club.
- **AR** thanked **Wayne Tinsley-Veale (WTV)** for helping facilitate the local league organisation and emphasised that it is important that the Club continues to support the local league.

8. Election of Officers to the Board

8.1. Chairperson

- **DH** nominated **Dave Gunter (DG)** for another term
- No further nominations were received, **DG remains as Chairperson for a further 2 years (until 2022 AGM)**

8.2. Treasurer

- **DH** nominated **Peter Lambert (PL)** for another term
- No further nominations were received, **PL remains as Treasurer for a further 2 years (until 2022 AGM)**

8.3. Vice Chairperson

- Elected at the 2019 AGM, no election

8.4. Safeguarding and Welfare Officer

- Elected at the 2019 AGM, no election

8.5. Junior Development Officer

- Elected at the 2019 AGM, no election

8.6. Secretary

- No nominations received, **DH** to continue in role but requested assistant from team managers and members of the volleyball club to step forward to reduce part of the responsibilities.

8.7. Co-opted Board Members

- Appointed at the 2019 AGM, no election

- Voting concluded for the 2020 AGM.

9. Election for Club Management Positions

9.1. Social & Events Secretary

- No nominations received; position remains vacant.
- Natasha Chedgy, Jared Furbank, Karen Atkins, Lee Atkins and Andrea Barnes agreed to form a Social and Events Team to take on the responsibilities and share the workload for socials and events.

9.2. Fundraising Officer

- **DH** nominated **Amy Weemes (AW)**, praising her efforts as part of the rebrand and encouraging her to shape this role into something positive for the Club.
- **DG** thanked **AW** on behalf of the Club for taking on the role.

9.3. Marketing Officer

- No nominations received; position remains vacant.

- Elections concluded for the 2020 AGM.
- **DG** reminded all Club members no matter how big or small a job, it's better to have more people doing something in line with the Club ambitions than not doing anything at all or leaving it to just a few people.

10. AOB

- None

Post AGM Club Meeting

1. Club Information for return to play

- The Club have full COVID guidelines and a risk assessment which are in line with VE's return to play plan for indoor volleyball. These are available for members on our website and incorporated into this year's membership sign up.
- All members were made aware they must sign up as a club member 2 days before attending any session.

2. Review of the 2020 Club Survey Results

- **Colin Angell (CA)** explained the survey and talked through the results. **CA** advised the Club that actions resulting from the survey results will be incorporated into the Club development plan. **DG** highlighted that a number of actions are already in progress, so it was great to get confirmation that focus was already in the right areas.
- **CA** thanked all the members who responded this year and encouraged those who didn't to participate in the next one to help set the direction of the club for the future.

3. Club Rebrand Review

- **DH** introduced the rebrand to the members ahead of the new season and the Dragon background taken from the Wessex Wyvern as part of the region's history
- New logo was introduced in the navy and white version. **DH** thanked **Matt Hunter (MH)** on behalf of the Club for all his efforts in designing this.
- **DH** shared the new website design. Designed to be a place to give the Club a modern and professional look, so that it will attract new members, coaches, volunteers and partners.
- The website also acts as a "one-stop" shop for members (in the Members' Zone) to get all the information they need about Club activity. **DH** suggested to members to have a look and let him know if any information is missing that they would find useful.
- **DH** shared the updated Facebook and Twitter page designs. With the help of someone taking on the social media direction within the Club, we want to increase our presence with local people and attract more to the Club pages.
- **New kit launch!**
 - **DH** thanked the group that had volunteered their time in helping review / accept proposals from the 4 companies that responded to our design brief.
 - **DH** shared the (almost) finalised designs for the new match kit, match shorts, training t-shirts, unbranded hoody and team/coach's polo that will be launched online soon.
 - **DH** also mentioned further kit will be added to the shop in Jan 2021 when the new Nike range is released that would be available for a 3 to 4-year period. The decision was taken not to introduce certain kit items currently, as the style of the clothing would be changing in a few months' time.

4. AOB

- No other business was raised for discussion