

MINUTES OF TEACHERS BADMINTON CLUB AGM
HELD AT BOB CARTER CENTRE
ON 3 JUNE 2009

Present: Bob Tooby Chairman
 Louise Copley Secretary
 Iain Bayes Treasurer
 Robin Cole Match Secretary
 Robin Cooper
 Jo Gray
 Sally Piff
 Andrew Piff
 Joy Brown
 Carol Lowe
 Sue Banks
 Martin Turrell
 Steven Hart
 Jonathan Secker
 Linda Ross
 Ricky Dally
 Sara Gaston

Apologies: Joe Webb
 Steve Sharp
 Lynn Tyler
 Ian Wolstenholme

Open Meeting

The meeting was opened at 7.55pm.

Approval of 2008 AGM minutes

The minutes of the previous AGM were read and approved by all present.

Matters arising from 2008 AGM

There were no matters arising from the last AGM.

Treasurers Report and Statement of Accounts

Due to a printer problem the Treasurer was unable to provide a print out of the statement of accounts for the meeting but went through the figures as they stood. The Treasurer stated that our expenditure had increased this year even though the usage of shuttles had decreased. It was decided that this was probably because of the increase in the cost of the courts this season. In previous years we have only paid for 3 courts and a 4th when used but because of staff changes at the school we have had to pay for all 4 courts throughout the season which greatly increased our court costs.

Robin Cooper confirmed that the cost of the courts for the junior club had been more than covered by the fees that the juniors had paid and was therefore not a contributing factor in the increase.

It was agreed to provisionally adopt the accounts. Proposed by Ricky Dally, seconded by Robin Cooper.

The statement of accounts is still to be finalised and will follow in due course.

Membership and Match Fees

In view of the deficit this season and an increase in the cost of the courts by the school from September 2009 it was decided that an increase in the membership and match fees would be justified especially as there has been no increase for a long time. It was proposed by Robin Cooper, seconded by Carol Lowe that the match fees are increased to £4.00 per match and the senior club member fees are increased to £100.00 for the season. Sally Piff proposed, Carol Lowe seconded that the junior fees are increased to £70.00.

Officers Reports

Treasurer

The Treasurer had already made his report.

Secretary

The Secretary stated that it had been another successful year with 44 members registered through the club.

The Secretary further stated that the Norwich & District Badminton League (NDBL) AGM will take place on Monday 6th July at the Oasis at 7.30pm.

The Secretary thanked the membership for their help and support for the club.

The Chairman thanked the Secretary, Treasurer and Match Secretary for their efforts on behalf of the club.

Match Secretary

The Match Secretary stated the positions of the teams at the end of the season as follows:

Mens 1 - Retained their position in Division 1.

Mens 2 - Retained their position in Division 2.

Mens 3 - Unfortunately relegated to Division 4.

Ladies 1 - Retained their position in Division 1.

Ladies 2 - Promoted to Division 2.

Mixed 1 - Promoted to Division 1.

Mixed 2 - Relegated to Division 3.

Mixed 3 - Promoted to Division 3.

Election of Officers and Committee Members

As there were no proposals for the post of **Chairman** Bob Tooby agreed to continue in the role for another season. This was proposed by Sally Piff, seconded by Carol Lowe.

As there were no proposals for the post of **Secretary** Louise Copley agreed to continue in the role for another season. This was proposed by Sally Piff, seconded by Carol Lowe.

As Iain Bayes is unable to continue as a member of the club next season Steven Hart volunteered to fill the post of **Treasurer**. This was proposed by Andrew Piff, seconded by Carol Lowe.

Robin Cole had already stated his wishes to stand down as **Match Secretary** at the end of the 2008/2009 season. Sue Mace who was not present at the meeting had already voiced an interest in taking over this post but it had not been possible to confirm if she had agreed or not. Sally Piff offered to take on this role if Sue Mace was unable to.

Two new roles have been created of **Shuttle Monitors** in order to help keep control of the amount of shuttles being used and to ensure that a supply is kept in the match box and is available at club nights. Carol Lowe and Sue Banks both agreed to fill these posts which were proposed by Ricky Dally and Bob Tooby, seconded by Linda Ross and Louise Copley.

Election of Team Captains

The Team Captains were agreed as follows:

Ladies 1 - Sara Gaston

Ladies 2 - Louise Copley (if needed for the first team then Carol Lowe will take her place)

Mens 1 - Andrew Piff

Mens 2 - Steve Sharp

Mens 3 - Steven Hart

Mixed 1 - Jo Gray

Mixed 2 - Bob Tooby

Mixed 3 - Sue Banks

Any other business

Shuttles

Even though our shuttle usage has decreased this season the quality of the shuttles was questioned again. It was agreed to try out some of the more expensive shuttles over the summer and at the start of the season for durability as in the long run they may prove to be more cost effective.

Payment of membership fees

Once again the Treasurer has had to chase for outstanding membership fees even after the season has finished. It was agreed that all senior club members must pay £60.00 by 16th September 2009, junior club members £40.00 with the remaining balance of £40.00 and £30.00 respectively by the end of January 2010. If you have not paid 60% of the membership fees by the end of September then we will be unable to pay your affiliation fees through the club and register you with Badminton England. For those who have not paid their full membership fees by the end of January 2010 then an additional late payment charge of £10.00 will apply.

Officials Costs

It was confirmed that the Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Match Secretary should claim any expenses incurred i.e. telephone calls etc.

Members Details

The Secretary reported that there had been some problems contacting members by telephone or email. Please can everyone ensure that the Secretary is informed of any changes so that you can be contacted about matches and any future events/useful information?

Match Box

It was noted throughout the season that not everyone was providing food for their matches and that the shuttles were just put into the match box unsorted.

It is the Team Captain's responsibility to ensure that their team provide food for the home matches with each team member bringing something. At the end of the match each team must sort their shuttles so that the box does not have to be sorted by somebody else!

We will start the season with two bottles of squash which can be replaced once used.

Club Nights

There was a lot of discussion about the numbers turning up with the attendance being poor again during the latter half of the season. It was also noted about the lack of first team players. Please can everyone try to attend as many club nights as possible? Obviously this is not always possible with other commitments but without a strong turnout each Wednesday it is difficult to attract new and retain existing club members. It is your club so let's try and ALL continue to make it stronger and be the club that everyone wants to join.

Dates

The season will restart on 2nd September 2009 with the last club night before Christmas being 16th December 2009. Then from 4th January 2009 to the last club night being on 31st March 2009.

Louise Copley

Secretary

Teachers Badminton Club