
*Minutes of Annual General Meeting of Scottish Athletics Limited held at
Emirates Arena, London Road, Glasgow on 24 September 2016*

The Meeting commenced at 1000 hours.

Present:

Mandated Delegates List

Ian Beattie, Harmeny AC
Ian Beattie, Keith and District AAC
Dawn Allan, Moorfoot Runners
Barry Craighead, Edinburgh AC
Gerry Gaffney, Inverclyde AC
John MacKay, Shettleston Harriers
William Drysdale, Law and District AAC
Joanne Harkins, Lanarkshire AAA
Michael Wright, Central AC
John Rodger, Kilbarchan AAC
Margaret Brown, Scottish Youth Development League
Ken Moncrieff, Scottish Vet Harriers Club
Jill O'Neil, Garscube Harriers,
John Pentecost, Falkirk Victoria Harriers,
Alasdair Murray, Kilmarnock Harriers & AC
Morna Fleming, Carnegie Harriers,
Neil Donachie, Scottish Athletics League
Neil Donachie, Ferranti AAC
Neil Donachie, East District CC League
Alan Smith, Dunfermline T&F Club
Joseph Palmer, Helensburgh AAC
Bryan Clark, Costorphine AAC
Sid Pask, Dunblane Runners

Non-Mandated Delegates List

Leslie Roy, President
Mark Munro
Moira Maguire, Edinburgh AC
Peter Jardine
Francesca Snitjer
William Glasgow, Giffnock North
Robin Thomson, Hunters Bog Trotters
Stephen Wallace, Cumbernauld AAC
Hugh Buchanan, Central AC
Jamie McDonald
Alison Johnstone
Jo Butterfield, Forth Valley Flyers
Leigh Hodgson, Dunfermline T&F Club

1 Welcome, Introduction and Opening Remarks

Ian Beattie (IB), Chairman, welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The Chairman introduced the top table:

Leslie Roy (LR), President, Mark Munro (MM), Interim Chief Executive Officer.

It was confirmed that there were 23 mandated delegates in the room and therefore a quorum and the meeting could commence.

IB asked LR to begin the proceedings.

Votes in the Room

At the commencement of the meeting there was a total of 23 mandated delegates and 7 proxies in the room. There was a total of 130 eligible votes in the room, including 30 proxy votes.

The Chair explained the protocol of the meeting and the voting procedures, confirming Jamie McDonald and Francesca Snitjer would act as tellers, non-mandated delegates, if required.

2 Apologies

Dame Mary Corsar
Bob Stephen
Alan Grosser
Lord Campbell of Pittenweem
Betty Davidson
Scottish Schools Athletics Association - Margaret McInally
Sandra Frame
Duncan McLaren
Alan Potts
Glasgow Athletics Association - Jo Moultrie
Dundee Hawkhill Harriers - Paula Faccenda
Dale S Greig
Edinburgh Running Network – Emily Alston
Eleanor Gunstone
Pat Hockley
Arbroath and District AC – Anne Webber
Grampian Athletics League – Anne Webber
Ron Morrison
Strathearn Harriers – Fiona McDonald
Millburn Harriers – Patrick Burns
Livingston AC – Alistair Dagleish
Campbeltown Running Club
Fife AC
Ayr Seaforth AC – Gus Oakley

Marjory Cook
Molly Wilmoth
Lasswade AC – Stuart Tait

3 Minutes of Annual General Meeting held on 26th September 2015

Proposed: Board
Seconded: Morna Fleming

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2015 were approved as a true and accurate account of the meeting.

4 To Receive and Adopt the Annual Report

MM was invited to speak on the Annual Report. The slides are attached.

MM invited any questions.

Morna Fleming, Carnegie Harriers, asked for an update on online entries for cross country. MM advised that there will be no changes to this for the upcoming Winter season, but it is being considered for next year.

With no further questions received:

Proposed: Board
Seconded: John Rodger

Annual Report adopted.

5 To Receive and Adopt the Annual Accounts and Auditors Report

The Chair invited MM to speak on the Annual Accounts and Auditors Report.

MM invited any questions. With no questions received:

Proposed: Board
Seconded: Michael Wright

Annual Accounts and Auditors Report adopted.

6 To Agree the Honoraria

It was proposed that the honoraria remain as previously:

Track & Field Commission: £800
Road & Cross-Country Commission: £800

Hill Running Commission: £400

Proposed: Board
Seconded: Ken Moncrieff

Honoraria are approved

7 To Appoint the Auditors

It was proposed that Henderson Loggie be re-appointed auditors to **scottishathletics** for the ensuing year.

Proposed: Board
Seconded: Gerry Gaffney

Henderson Loggie re-appointed as Auditors

8 To Adopt the proposed changes to the Articles of Association

The Board proposed that the current Articles of Association be amended. The proposed changes were circulated with the AGM papers.

MM was invited to address the meeting to explain the changes and why the Board think that they are advisable.

It was noted that, in terms of the current Articles and company law generally, a special majority was required if the articles were to be amended. The required majority is three quarters of eligible votes.

Proposed: Board
Seconded: Margaret Brown

The proposed amendments to the Articles were adopted after the resolution was passed with a special majority. The Secretary shall make all the necessary filing of the amended articles.

9 To decide Individual Membership Fees 2017/18

MM addressed the delegates, presenting the rationale for there being no increase to fees.

MM invited questions. The following questions were raised by delegates:

Barry Craighead asked why Coaches pay membership fees and Officials don't.
MM advised that the opportunities and development for Coaches is much more significant than for Officials. There is also a higher financial investment in Coach development (Coaching Conference, CPD Programme etc).

Gerry Gaffney enquired about the affiliation fee for U11's. MM advised that this is a fee for the club and the £7 is for all competing athletes across all age categories. U11 is now a

category, and the money provides support for the club. IB advised that the money also goes back into the development of the sport.

With no further questions, the Board proposed the following changes to membership fees for 2017/18:

Item 9(a)

Senior Club Membership to remain £19

Proposed: Board
Seconded: Jill O'Neil

Senior Club Membership fees adopted

Item 9(b)

Junior Club Membership (U21) to remain £6

Proposed: Board
Seconded: Joseph Palmer

Junior Club Membership fees adopted

Item 9(c)

Coach Membership to remain £25 (for three years)

Proposed: Board
Seconded: John Pentecost

Coach Membership fees adopted

Item 9(d)

Official Membership to remain free

Proposed: Board
Seconded: Alan Smith

Official Membership fees adopted

Item 9(e)

Family Membership to remain £40

Proposed: Board
Seconded: Joseph Palmer

Family Membership fees adopted

Item 9(f)

Friend and Supporter Membership to remain £19

Proposed: Board
Seconded: Gerry Gaffney

Friend and Supporter Membership fees adopted

Item 9(g)

Senior Member Unattached to remain £33.00

Proposed: Board
Seconded: Jill O'Neil

Senior Member Unattached fees adopted

Item 9(h)

Over 65 Membership to remain £11.00

Proposed: Board
Seconded: Morna Fleming

Over-65 Membership fees adopted

10 To decide Club Affiliation Fees 2017/18

The Board proposed NO CHANGE and that the level of the club affiliation fees and method of collection for 2017/18 remains as follows:

For all first claim athletes	£7.00
For second claim athletes	£3.00
For all other club members	£0.00

Proposed: Board
Seconded: John McKay

Club Affiliation fees proposals adopted.

11 To decide non-members race levies 2017/18

The Board proposed no change and that for 2017/18 remains at £2.00.

Proposed: Board
Seconded: Ken Moncrieff

Non-members' race levies proposal adopted

Barry Craighead asked why the £2 goes to **scottishathletics** and not the clubs. IB advised that **scottishathletics** use this money to train officials in order for events to go ahead. MM advised that levies are a core part of **scottishathletics'** income and the money goes towards things that will ultimately help the Clubs, like the new CRM system.

12 Proposal for nomination for Honorary Life Membership

Margaret Brown spoke to the nomination of Vic Hockley for Honorary Life Membership.

Proposed: Board
Seconded: Neil Donachie

Barry Craighead spoke to the nomination of Bill Walker for Honorary Life Membership.

Proposed: Board
Seconded: Gerry Gaffney

Honorary Life Memberships approved.

13 To Elect Office Bearers

13(a) Honorary President Rt Hon Sir Menzies Campbell CBE QC MP (now Lord Campbell of Pittenweem)

Proposed: Fife AC
Seconded: Morna Fleming

Track and Field Commission

13(b) Convenor Moira Maguire

Proposed: Edinburgh AC
Seconded: Michael Wright

13(c) Secretary Moira Nisbet

Proposed: Edinburgh AC
Seconded: Michael Wright

13(d) Finance Officer Vacant

Taken back to Board – LR advised that the finance of the T&F and RR&CC is now led by Dawn Allan in communication with the Commission.

Road and Cross-Country Commission

13(e) Convenor John Rodger

Proposed: Shettleston Harriers AC

Seconded: Jill O'Neil

13(f) Secretary Julia Henderson

Proposed: Kilbarchan AAC

Seconded: Joseph Palmer

13(g) Finance Officer Vacant

Taken back to Board

Hill running Commission

13(h) Convenor Hugh Buchanan

Proposed: Central AC

Seconded: Morna Fleming

13(i) Secretary Mark Johnston

Proposed: Carnethy Hill Running Club

Seconded: Neil Donachie

13(j) Finance Officer Vacant

Taken back to Board

Hugh Buchanan commented that having a Finance Officer within the Commission, working with Dawn Allan, is a valuable role.

Officials Commission

13(k) Convenor Margaret Brown

Proposed: VP Glasgow AC

Seconded: Gerry Gaffney

13(l) Secretary Brenda Stephen

Proposed: Cumbernauld AC

Seconded: Michael Wright

13(m) Finance Officer Brenda Stephen

Proposed: Cumbernauld AC

Seconded: Neil Donachie

Office Bearers elected.

14 Election of Board members appointed by the Board

Joanna Butterfield

Proposed: Board

Seconded: Alan Smith

Election of Joanna Butterfield approved

15 AOCB

MM invited any other questions. The following questions were asked by the delegates:

Morna Fleming asked why there are no medals for over 40, 50 etc. at championship events.
MM advised that this would be followed up.

Hugh Buchanan asked if there was any update on the CEO vacancy at Scottish Athletics.
IB advised that applications have been received and that interviews would be taking place in mid-October with himself, Leslie Roy and Stewart Harris on the panel. The new CEO will be in place by the end of 2016.

Barry Craighead asked if there were plans for incentives to encourage new officials
MM advised that the focus is on starter teams and Shona Malcolm now works two days a week as Officials Recruitment and Development Officer and that incentives are being considered. It is something that **scottishathletics** are continuing to address and work on.
Margaret Brown advised that a draft incentive programme for all officials has already been drawn up.

IB thanked everyone for attending the meeting and with no further business the meeting closed at 11:30 hours.

