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## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2017 MINUTES**



## Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 2017 Harlington Sports Centre

## The meeting commenced at 5:35pm with Ben Murphy (Chair) in the Chair

## 1) Present (in order of signing in)

Ben Murphy	Dave Balmer	Fay Mitchell	Emma Bourne
Anne McNeill	Andrew Freeman	Michael Freeman	Karen McCann
Chris Cason Beeshan Siuauuhanan Salme Naylor	Carol Bailey Monika Vedrichkova	Sinaid Callaghan Galina Clark	John Wotherspoon Alina Sales

## 2) Clubs represented

Kingston	Ladywell GC	Harrow	Anna's
Trampoline		Trampoline Club	Gymnastics
Richmond	A.V. Rhythmic Club		-,

## 3) Officials Present

Regional Chair	Regional	Regional	Welfare Officer
HLVP 1	Treasurer	Administrator	Trampoline Chair
Rhythmic Chair	Acro Chair	Legal Officer	

### 4) Apologies for Absence

Betty	Jackie Lewis	Tanya Swallow	Bernice Negri
Smethurst			
Anita Merrick	Catherine Bates	Simon Moore	Peter Moore
Rachel Ennis	Gina Thompson	Mark Westley	Paul Welch
Joe Dunkley	Lana Jane Martin	Kay Salter	Julie Ewinson

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#### 5) Minutes of 2016 AGM These have been circulated and were agreed as a correct record. Anne McNeil Proposing John Wotherspoon Seconded

#### 6) Financial Reports

These had been circulated as part of the Annual Reports.

These were accepted by the meeting with thanks to Dave Balmer for his work.

Questions/Outcomes:

Further information requested regarding closed accounts. HSBC were worried about US money laundering and closed accounts due to slow responses received. Money has now been redistributed to the correct accounts.

Clarification regarding what the honorariums are for.

The committee confirmed that the following people receive a yearly amount based on work undertaken in the previous year.

Question asked what the sponsorship / world selection amounts showing under income are.

DB stated that the World Selection amount is from an investment fund that generates interest each year and is reinvested into the region. BM further commented that the original £100k in the World Selection account is a legacy amount from the previous licensing fees. DB then stated the Sponsorship money comes from The Zone. It was then asked why we only have one sponsor and it was commented that it is hard to get sponsorship and these relationships also require more admin/time needed than we currently have on the committee. BM commented that it is also not needed for LG to have further money in but clubs are welcome to gain sponsorship if it's required.

Further questions regarding the World Selection Fund to be taken offline.

Christine Brockley	Richmond	Proposed
Michael Freeman	Kingston	Seconded

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## 7) Ratification of Regional and TC Chairs

(i) Ben Murphy Voted unanimously Regional Chairman

(ii)	Monika Vedrichkova	Rhythmic TC Chair	
. ,	Galina Clark	A.V Rhythmic	Proposing
	Christine Brockbank	Richmond	Seconding

(iii) Anita Merrick GFA TC Chair Sinaid Callaghan *Ladywell GC* Andrew Freeman *Kingston* All votes were ratified by the group.

Proposing Seconding

## 8) Overview of upcoming activities 2017/18

1. Plattern Scholarship to be extended to judges. Payment to be given post undertaking of the course. 50% judging course to be paid.

Questions/Outcomes:

Competitions clash across same weekends so it can be difficult to judge due to priorities of taking gymnasts to other competitions as a coach. *Understood, coaching bursary could be better suited.* 

Are all levels of judging included? *Yes* 

Issues with courses not being available within region. *Payment can be claimed on out of region courses.* 

Trampoline courses not being run until the end of the year so could miss out. *To be looked into whether some money can be ring fenced.* 

Receipt of application not being sent for those applying for Plattern Scholarship. *AM to ask BG for this.* 

Judging scholarships vs. revalidation. *This is only for new judges and not for revalidation.* 

John Wotherspoon further raised the point that he has contacted BG asking for venues and been chasing. There is now information on BG website but without answers / follow up to queries being provided directly. Communications need to be addressed with BG.

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#### Venue hire was also discussed.

LG have raised this with BG and will continue to push. If there is push back on venue hire being taken by BG then this should be fed back to Christine.

- AGM, Awards and Club Conferences to be held over the same weekend in July 2018. Award period will be November 2015 – December 2017 and will carry on annually going forwards. Format to be announced in the coming months. Club grants (10 x £1000) will also be included in the award ceremony – criteria to be announced.
- 3. Two club reps to the Management Committee to be appointed. Role to be announced in due course.

Question/Outcome: *The reps need to be representational of the region.* Agreed.

Thanks to all for support of the region

This concluded the matters of the AGM

The meeting finished at 6:32pm