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LONDON GYMNASTICS STANDING ORDERS FOR AN A.G.M./S.G.M.

- 1.0** The Chairman shall have the power to rule on any matter set out in these standing orders, or on other points of order or procedure, this ruling may not be questioned, except as provided for in the standing orders.
- 1.1** The Chairman may not propose or second a resolution, or nomination. If he/she wishes to do so he/she must vacate the chair for the duration of the relevant debate. Before vacating the chair he/she should ensure that the meeting nominates a replacement to take the chair during the debate. In most circumstances this would normally be a neutral member of the Management Committee

BUSINESS

- 2.0** Business shall follow the order of the agenda and no business, which is not on the agenda, shall be considered except for procedural motions.

SPEECHES

- 3.0** Speakers shall always address themselves to the chair.
- 3.1** The person he/she first observed.
- 3.2** A member shall remain quiet if instructed to do so by the Chairman. If the person disregards this ruling, the Chairman may instruct him/her to leave the meeting.
- 4.0** Information.
- 4.1** as set out in these standing orders.

PROCEDURE

- 5.0** The Chairman shall open discussion on tabled resolutions by calling upon the proposer.
- 5.1** If any member has indicated before the meeting that he/she wishes to oppose the resolution, that member may be called upon to make the initial opposing speech.
- 5.2** After the opening speeches, the resolution is open for general debate.
- 5.3** The Mover of the resolution shall be expected to speak first, and then the seconder shall be invited to speak. After this opening the resolution is open for general debate.
- 5.4** The Management Committee & Joint Technical Committee shall have the right to nominate a speaker either for or against any resolution being proposed.
- 5.5** At the conclusion of the general debate of a resolution, the proposer or, his/her nominee shall have the right to sum up, without introducing new matter to the debate.

ORDER AND INFORMATION

- 6.0** Points of information may be raised at any time if the speaker holding the floor will accept them.
- 6.1** Points of Order may be raised at any time, except that the Chairman shall not be interrupted.
- 6.2** Points of Order may be raised only to question the procedure of the meeting.

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ELECTION AND APPOINTMENT PROCESS.

- 6.3** Points of Order shall be attended to immediately by the Chairman, whose ruling may not be questioned, except as provided for in these standing orders.
- 6.4** If in the opinion of the Chairman, points of Order or of Information are being raised to prevent a speaker from stating his/her arguments, or to obstruct the course of the meeting, the Chairman may refuse to permit any further requests for information or points of order during the remainder of that speaker's remarks.

MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING RIGHTS

- 7.0** Each club affiliated to London Gymnastics during the current membership year shall have the right of one vote at the AGM.
- 7.1** Clubs may only vote on matters "Technical" within the discipline(s) in which they are registered.
- 7.2** Clubs may nominate one of their members to carry their vote.
- 7.3** A person carrying a club vote may not represent more than one regional club.
- 7.4** Clubs nominating or seconding a committee member or proposing or seconding a resolution are expected to be present at the meeting.
- 7.5** The Chairman has the right to vote on any item, and in addition has a second "casting" vote if the first vote is tied.

PROCEDURAL MOTIONS

- 8.0** Procedural motions may be put at any time except that they will not normally be permitted during the main speeches to a resolution or during a vote.
- 8.1** Once a procedural motion has been proposed and seconded, discussion on the resolution under consideration is suspended until the procedural motion has been determined.
- 8.2** Only the following procedural motions may be put:
- i)** That the meeting suspends standing order no.....
 - ii)** That the meeting sets aside the ruling of the Chairman as to (in this instance, the Chairman shall vacate the chair until the outcome is determined.)
 - iii)** That the question be not put.
 - iv)** That the question be now put.
 - v)** That the meeting proceeds to the next business.
 - vi)** That the meeting adjourns until....

PROPOSALS AND AMENDMENTS

- 9.0** Any club or TC chairman shall be entitled to propose or second any resolution or amendment.
- 9.1** Amendments to resolutions may be proposed by any speaker during debate on that resolution, and require a seconder.
- 9.2** Amendments must be such as to modify, and not wholly negate, the original resolution.

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ELECTION AND APPOINTMENT PROCESS.

- 9.3** An amendment to a resolution, once proposed and seconded, must be discussed and voted upon before discussion of the original resolution can continue. No further amendment to the original resolution may be proposed until the first amendment has been resolved.
- 9.4** If an amendment is carried, the amended resolution displaces the original resolution, and becomes the main resolution. It can, in its turn, then be amended or voted upon.
- 9.5** A resolution must have a proposer and seconder before the meeting can move on the matter.

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE

- 10.0** The members of the Management Committee & Joint Technical Committee that arranged the AGM / EGM shall constitute a Standing Orders Committee.

Amended Standing Orders adopted at AGM on 28 September 2014



Signed by Ben Murphy [Chairman of London Gymnastics]