# Minutes of Annual General Meeting of Scottish Athletics Limited held at Emirates Arena, London Road, Glasgow on 20 September 2014

The Meeting commenced at 1030 hours.

#### **Present:**

## **Mandated Delegates List**

Bill Simpson, Ayrshire Harriers Clubs' Association Morna Fleming, Carnegie Harriers Hugh Buchanan, Central Athletic Club Bryan Clark, Corstorphine Athletic Club Mark Lamb, Dundee Hawkhill Harriers Marjory Cook, East District CC League Barry Craighead, Edinburgh Athletic Club Alex Jackson, Ferranti AAC Lesley Thirkell, Fife Athletic Club Raghbir Singh, Garscube Harriers Frances Wood, Linlithgow Athletic Club John Rodger, Kilbarchan Amateur Athletic Club Alasdair Murray, Kilmarnock Harrier AC William Drysdale, Law & District AAC Ewen Cameron, Motherwell AC David Cairns, Penicuik Harriers Ian Beattie, Portobello Running Club Dr David Low, Scottish Athletics League Ada Stewart, Scottish Veteran Harriers Club John Mackay, Shettleston Harriers Peter Jardine, Victoria Park AC

### Non Mandated Delegates List

Moira Maguire
Ruth Watson
Stephen Wallace
Eleanor Gunstone
Doug Gunstone
Leslie Roy
Ian Clifton
Margaret Craighead
Stewart McCallum
David Phee
Margaret Brown
David Hart
Alison Johnstone
Sandra Frame

Nigel Holl Dawn Allan

## 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, Nigel Holl (NH), Chief Executive Officer.

It was confirmed that there was 21 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 21 mandated delegates and 2 proxies in the room. There are a total of 105 eligible votes in the room, in addition to 4 proxy votes in the room.

The President explained the protocol of the meeting and the voting procedures, confirming Dawn Allan (DA) and Joanne Dennis would act as tellers, non-mandated delegates, if required.

## 2 Apologies

Graham Laing
Betty Steedman
Alan Grosset
Campbelltown Running Club
Sir Menzies Campbell
Dame Mary Corsar
Billy Mitchell
Alan Potts
Scottish Schools' Athletics Association
Dale S Greig
Molly Wilmoth
Graham Sword
Ron Morrison
James Stewart

Graham Ravenscroft, Whitemoss AAC

### 3 Minutes of Annual General Meeting held on 14 September 2013

Proposed: Board

Seconded: Bill Simpson

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2013 were approved as a true and accurate account of the meeting.

### 4 To receive and adopt the Annual Report

Nigel Holl (NH) was invited to speak to the Annual Report. The slides are attached at Appendix 1.

NH invited any questions.

John Rodger asked if **scottish**athletics publish the Key Performance Indicators.

NH confirmed Sports Scotland do and that **scottish**athletics integrate it in our annual plan.

Alex Jackson asked if the full accounts were available.

NH confirmed they are published on the **scottish**athletics website. DA would check this was the case.

Barry Craighead expressed concern regarding the number of Officials in relation to the number of Coaches and requested clarification on how **scottish**athletics retain Coaches and Officials and what the incentive is. He pointed out in particular that the number of Starter Marksman were at a dangerous low.

NH acknowledged the aforementioned and recognised the importance of working alongside the Officials Commission. NH also highlighted that opportunities are available for both Coaches and Officials and welcomes any ideas from Barry Craighead.

With no further questions, the Annual Report was

Proposed: Board

Seconded: Barry Craighead

Annual Report adopted.

### 5 To Receive and Adopt the Annual Accounts and Auditors Report

The Chair invited Nigel Holl to speak to the Annual Accounts and Auditors Report.

Questions were invited.

John McKay asked whether ParkRun contributes financially to athletics.

NH confirmed no income was received, however, recognised that clubs should maximise the opportunity locally by getting them interested in the clubs.

Barry Craighead asked whether there was any proposed change to the Affiliation fees given that Clubs fees were on the increase.

NH confirmed that Affiliation fees had been fixed for another year.

No further questions received:

Proposed: Board Seconded: John Rodger

Annual Accounts and Auditors Report adopted.

## 6 To appoint the Auditors

It was proposed that Henderson Loggie be appointed auditors of the Company for the ensuing year.

Proposed: Board

Seconded: Hugh Buchanan

Henderson Loggie appointed as Auditors.

### 7 To decide individual membership fees for 2015/16

The Board propose fees for 2015/16 to be unaltered, and as follows:

Senior Club Member £18.00

Proposed: Board

Seconded: Ewen Cameron

Senior Club Membership fee was adopted.

Junior Club Member (U21) £5.00

Proposed: Board

Seconded: Ewen Cameron

Junior Club Membership fee was adopted.

**Coach Membership** £25.00 (for three years)

Proposed: Board

Seconded: Ewen Cameron

Coach Membership fee was adopted.

Official Membership

Free

Proposed:

Board

Seconded:

**Ewen Cameron** 

Official Membership fee was adopted.

**Family Membership** 

£36.00

Proposed:

Board

Seconded:

**Ewen Cameron** 

Family Membership fee was adopted.

**Friend and Supporter** 

£18.00

Proposed:

Board

Seconded:

**Ewen Cameron** 

Friend and Supported Membership fee was adopted.

**Senior Member Unattached** 

£32.00

Proposed:

Board

Seconded:

**Ewen Cameron** 

Senior Unattached Membership fee was adopted.

Over 65 Membership

£10.00

Proposed:

Board

Seconded:

**Ewan Cameron** 

Over-65 Membership fee was adopted

8 To decide Club Affiliation Fees 2015/16

The Board proposed that the level of club affiliation fees for 2015/16 be:

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

Proposed:

Board

Seconded:

Morna Fleming

Club Affiliation fees were adopted.

## 9 To consider nomination for Honorary Life Membership

Alex Jackson spoke to the nomination of Joe Bruce for Honorary Life Membership.

Proposed: Alex Jackson, on behalf of the Board

Seconded: Marjory Cook

Honorary Life Membership adopted.

### 10 To consider Honoraria for Commissions

Track and Field Commission£800Road and Cross Country Commission£800Hill Running Commission£400

Proposed: Board

Seconded: Morna Fleming

**Commission Honoraria adopted** 

### 11 To Elect Office Bearers

## Honorary President Rt Hon Sir Menzies Campbell CBE QC MP

Proposed: Fife AC

Seconded: Moira Maguire

## **Track and Field Commission**

Convenor Moira Maguire

Proposed: Edinburgh AC Seconded: Lesley Thirkell

Secretary Moira Nisbet

Proposed: Edinburgh AC Seconded: Hugh Buchanan

Finance Officer Graham Sword

Proposed: Central AC Seconded: Ewen Cameron

## **Road and Cross Country Commission**

**Convenor Vacant** 

Proposed: Alex Jackson, Ferranti AAC proposed John Rodger

Seconded: Lesley Thirkell

Secretary Vacant

Proposed: John Rodger, Kilbarchan AAC proposed Alex Jackson

Seconded: Morna Fleming

#### Finance Officer Graham Sword

Proposed: Central AC Seconded: Marjory Cook

## **Hill running Commission**

Convenor Hugh Buchanan

Proposed: Cosmic Hillbashers Seconded: Morna Fleming

Secretary Mark Johnston

Proposer: Bellahouston Road Runners

Seconded: Hugh Buchanan

Finance Officer Linda MacEwan

Proposed: Moorfoot Runners Seconded: Moira Maguire

Office Bearers elected.

### 12 Re-election of Board members appointed by the Board

Company Secretary

Non Executive Director

Non Executive Director

Non Executive Director

Stewart McCallum

Non Executive Director

Ex Officio Director - sportscotland

Ex Officio Director - UK Athletics

David Lindgren

Alison Johnstone

Stewart McCallum

Sandra Frame

Megan Griffiths

Ex Officio Director - UK Athletics

Proposed: Board Seconded: John Rodger

Board member appointment adopted.

#### 13 Re-election of Board Members appointed by the AGM

Non Executive Director Ron Morrison

Proposed: Alex Jackson Seconded: John Rodger

Non Executive Director James Stewart

Proposed: Moira Maguire Seconded: Marjory Cook

Board member appointment adopted.

#### 14 AOCB

Awards in recognition of services to Officiating were presented by Leslie Roy to Eleanor Gunstone and Barry Craighead and they gratefully accepted their awards.

Morna Fleming requested clarification regarding the procedure for permits and indicated disappointment over clash of dates. NH advised that events are now been added to website as they are received.

Barry Craighead brought up the new charges in place by Police Scotland, for the placing cones on course, which resulted in EAC being forced to cancel their fundraising Road Race. John Rodger advised it can be coned for £85.

John Mackay asked whether the District Commissions were disbanding. NH confirmed that, at this stage, this is only in discussion about the possibility. Moira Maguire confirmed that for the time being it is the status quo and that it is an agenda item at the next Track and Field Commission meeting.

Brian Clark suggested that the Senior Championships could have been used as a qualification event and that Hampden could have been used. It was confirmed that it was a Track and Field decision to go to Kilmarnock and that the bulk of our senior athletes are not of Commonwealth Games standard. Hampden was ripped up shortly after the Commonwealth Games, so was not a venue option.

John Rodger requested assistance in setting up a Membership Scheme for Kilbarchan AAC as they are now a charity. NH welcomes a conversation regarding this.

IB thanked everyone for attending the meeting and with no further business the meeting closed at 11:50 hours.

