

Welsh Fencing
Annual General Meeting

10:00 on 26th November 2023 at SWNC, Sophia Gardens, Cardiff and via Microsoft Teams.

Minutes

The Chairman opened the AGM

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Caroline Wheeler.

2. Chairmans opening remarks

The Chair explained that this is a formal event required through our Articles, and through Company Law. It's also important from the perspective of Sport Wales to ensure we are adhering to our governance expectations.

3. Minutes of the last AGM

Matt Russell proposed that the 2022 Minutes be accepted as a true & accurate record of the event. This was seconded by Tania Craig, and duly approved.

4. Chairman's Report

The Chairman delivered his report. A copy of the PowerPoint slides is available on the website. It broadly covered:

- Upcoming Events (e.g. Wheelchair World Cup)
- Welsh Closed Events
- Welsh Open

5. Adoption of the Company Accounts

Matt Russell proposed that the 2022/23 accounts be adopted. This was seconded by Mike Evans-Jones, and duly approved.

6. Director Reports

The following Directors provided updates:

- A report on the Accounts was delivered by the Chair on behalf of Caroline; a copy is available on the website.
- A report on the ADP and a year of Welsh achievements was delivered by Mike Evans-Jones.
- A Safeguarding report was delivered by Tania Craig.

7. Election of Directors

The Chairman explained that we have a scheduled tenures for each of our Directors. The Chairman and Treasurer position which adopts a four-year tenure. The remaining Directors positions are two years. Appointed directors are for 1 year.

This year the tenure expired for

- Caroline Wheeler (Treasurer)
- Mike Evans-Jones (Director)

Lyn Robinson resigned from the board of directors, so the role of Deputy Chairman position was also available.

The following nomination were received:

Mike Evans-Jones (Vice Chairman)

Caroline Wheeler (Treasurer)

Both stood unopposed for election and were duly appointed.

In recognition of the skills and knowledge they bring to the board, the board have appointed Tania Craig and Marc Burkhalter as directors.

The Chairman welcomed the new appointees to the board, and thanked Lyn for her hard work and dedication to Welsh fencing .

8. Motions

- The motion was put forward that Rob Phelps be recognised for a lifetime of fencing with a lifetime achievement award. This was vigorously approved.
- A Motion was put forward to have a young person's representative be added to the board. This was not approved but will be discussed further.

9. AOB

- A generous offer was made to include armoury sessions in ADP sessions to support fencers of all ages to better maintain their kit and make simple repairs. This was greeted with enthusiasm and was much appreciated by all present.

10. 24th November 2024 was proposed as the date of the next AGM and the meeting was closed.