

Welsh Fencing Ltd
Annual General meeting
19th March 2016
Welsh Institute of Sport, Cardiff

Those Present:

David Rees (Chairman), Peter Stewart, Mark Ridsdale, Caroline Wheeler, Allan Banks, Lyn Robinson, Michael Clemitson, Beatrice Fannon, Lyndon Martin, Carol Ridsdale, Hilary Rees, Anne Stewart, Peter Russell, Jayne Ware, Harry Toland, Margaret Myers, Ethan Ridsdale, Colin Hyndman (left after director voting), Mike Tucker, Neil Powell.

Agenda Items:

1. The Chairman welcomed the members and was pleased to note that the meeting was quorate.

2. The minutes of the last AGM held on 10th December 2014 were approved:-

Proposed by: Mark Ridsdale

Seconded by: Allan Banks

3. The Directors gave their reports: copies are attached.

Beatrice Fannon requested clarification on behalf of Lynne Melia on the post of Regional Development manager: Where is the job description? What is the remit? What is Peter Stewart's role?

The chairman explained that there is no formal post of Regional Development Manager. There is a twice yearly report to SportWales detailing the activities for the development of fencing in Wales to justify the grant. Peter Stewart

has carried out the role of National Coach since 2011 and there is no job description.

As Lynne Melia was not present the Chairman undertook to write to her personally on these issues.

4. The Company accounts were presented as attached. The following points were raised.

- Michael Clemitson asked for details of the administration costs for 2014/2015 and the Treasurer promised to email him with details.
- Margaret Myers asked why the grant income for 2015 had increased by £12 000 over the previous year. The Treasurer explained that due to the illness of the previous Chairman the grant application for 2014 financial year had been overlooked.
- Michael Clemitson acknowledged that the accounts had been adopted and filed in accordance with statutory requirements, but thanked the Treasurer for the comprehensive breakdown in her oral report.
- Harry Toland queried how much of the grant of £22 000 for development was issued to the clubs.

The Chairman and Treasurer pointed out that this grant is to develop fencing across Wales and is not issued to individual clubs. Coach educational courses were held in Cardiff and Gresford to cater for the whole principality.

- Harry Toland commented that the interest of the Veterans were not represented nor mentioned and asked if some development funding for the Veterans could be incorporated into the overall plan.

The Chairman and Treasurer responded that Welsh Fencing is responsible for representing all members and that, in addition to their individual membership of Welsh Fencing, the Veterans have their own organisation and administration of their own affairs, including arranging and selecting for separate competitions in addition to taking part in Welsh Fencing Senior events. The priority of Welsh Fencing is to develop Cadets, Juniors and Seniors.

5. The election of the Director was conducted by a poll in accordance with the Notice of the meeting and the results were:-

Peter Stewart 70 votes

Harry Toland 58 votes

Abstentions 3

Spoilt ballot papers 1

Peter Stewart was therefore elected

6. The motions were then considered by the meeting.

The Chairman explained the procedure laid down by Section 284 of the Companies Act 2006 for voting by a show of hands. The Chairman also explained that all motions required Special Resolutions, as stated in the Notice of the meeting, in accordance with the Articles and Sections 21 and 283 of the Companies Act 2006. Each motion was debated in turn and the views of the Board were given with responses from the floor before voting took place.

Copies of the motions and the views of the Board with responses from the floor are attached.

Voting was as follows:-

Motion	For	Against
1	13	12
2	13	13
3	11	13
4	13	12
5	12	13
6	11	12
7	12	12
8	13	12
9	13	12
10	13	10
11	12	12
12	12	13

All motions, therefore, failed to receive the majority required.

Next *AGM*

27th November in Cardiff

The Chairman officially closed the meeting.