



DRAFT MINUTES

Ruislip Turtles Swimming Club – AGM

Saturday 25th June 2022 at 7.30pm

1st Ickenham Scout HQ, Community Close, UB10 8RE

Present :

Dave Lee (Honorary President)
Peter Horne
Rosemary Noyes
Don Lamb
Bijan Ghorbanian
Heather Johnston
Linda Clarke
Cheryl Lee
Terry Cheshire

Apologies

None

In Attendance :

Fiona MacIntyre (standing as Secretary)
There were 25 attendees at the meeting

1) Chair

In the absence of a Chair, Dave Lee was duly elected to chair the AGM.

Proposed : Linda Clarke
Seconded : Cheryl Lee

2) 2021 AGM Minutes

The AGM minutes have been made available to members and have been public on the website for approximately the last eleven months.

Proposed : Peter Horne
Seconded : Bijan Ghorbanian

3) Any Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.



4) President's Report

It was noted that the President submitted a circulated report in the absence of a Chair and Vice Chair.

Key Points:

We managed to not only stay open throughout the last year, but the club has progressed and developed. Controls on pool attendances means that we are likely to have to continue with the booking system in the future. But at least we have managed a return to competitive swimming, with one invitation gala, and with both the 2021 and 2022 club championships completed.

The President thanked the many volunteers who keep the club running and drew special attention to Don Lamb who is stepping down as a committee member. The President thanked Don for his tremendous contribution to the Ruislip Turtles and hoped that he would continue with his swim teaching and gala participation.

The President also emphasised how reliant we are on the trainee pool helper scheme and was delighted that six of the seven 2021 have progressed so well and have indicated that they will be staying on for another year. He commended the Chief Instructor (Cheryl) for her management of the scheme and commended all the trainees for their selfless dedication and application.

The President said that he would be happy to continue on as Honorary President for another year but hoped to be stepping back following Heather Johnston coming forward to stand as Chair. He said that her nomination received his full support.

Proposed : Terry Cheshire
Seconded : Linda Clarke

5) Annual Accounts

The accounts were distributed to all present and copies are available, on request, for any absent members.

Key Points:

The Treasurer (Rosemary Noyes) explained that financially it had been a difficult year with a drop in subscriptions and pool entry fees.

Subscription fees were increased in April 22, the first time for many years.

We continue to be very dependent on a grant from Hillingdon Council to cover the cost of most of our pool time. We are aware that many other similar clubs are now struggling to exist having lost their local government support and are having to increase their membership charges as a consequence.

We continue to invest in pool equipment and training of our volunteers, and we also invested this year in our reception area.

We are, as ever, very grateful for the donations that we receive.

Proposed : Peter Horne
Seconded : Don Lamb



6) Secretary's Report

The Club Secretary (Heather Johnston) distributed a detailed report of all the progress that has been made to streamline the administrative operation.

Key Points:

The club's membership records & database has been updated.

Several of the Club Policies have been updated

Club forms and documentation have been updated

All our DBS records are up to date.

All committee members attended a Safeguarding on-line course.

Terry Cheshire maintains the data regarding the club trophies and prepares them all for the annual awards.

Proposed : Bijan Ghorbanian

Seconded : Peter Horne

7) Chief Instructors Report

The Chief Instructor (Cheryl Lee) circulated a detailed report.

Key Points:

We have organised several pool events ranging from a Christmas Fun Session, water Polo session and the Drowning Prevention event (last week).

We have conducted three successful pool evacuation drills, however, our assembly point has now been switched to the rear entrance door at the top of the ramp.

The Chief Instructor thanked all the pool helpers, young and not so young, for their support. We will be looking to recruit more helpers in the Autumn.

Proposed : Don Lamb

Seconded : Bijan Ghorbanian



8) Election of Officers

Post	Name	Proposed	Seconded
Chair	Heather Johnston	Dave Lee	Cheryl Lee
Vice Chair			
Treasurer	Rosemary Noyes	Dave Lee	Terry Cheshire
Chief Instructor	Cheryl Lee	Linda Clarke	Don Lamb
Health and Safety Officer	Peter Horne	Bijan Ghorbanian	Cheryl Lee
Secretary	Fiona Macintyre	Heather Johnston	Linda Clarke
Child Protection Officer	Heather Johnston	Dave Lee	Linda Clarke
Assistant Secretary	Bijan Ghorbanian	Heather Johnston	Cheryl Lee
Competition Secretary	Dave Lee	Bijan Ghorbanian	Terry Cheshire

9) Additional Committee Members

Terry Cheshire	Linda Clarke	Andy Wallis
Proposed :	Heather Johnston	
Seconded :	Rosemary Noyes	

10) Appointment of Auditors

It was proposed that Preet Dhanjal independently examines the accounts for the current financial year. As the Club has so little income, we don't require an audit just an independent examiner to verify them.

Proposed : Dave Lee
Seconded : Heather Johnston

11) Any Other Business

Role of Club President – Dave Lee confirmed he was happy to continue for 2022/23

The Annual Awards Presentation followed the AGM.

Meeting closed at 8.05pm