



# AGM 14th June 2016

## **LEAGUE AGM MEETING**

Chair Julie Thackray welcomed all to the meeting

Apologies: Sharon Grimshaw, Rebecca Murdoch, Vicky Priestley

## **Minutes of the last AGM (2nd June 2015)**

Minutes of meeting are available on the West Yorkshire website for all to read.

Minutes accepted as a true record.

Proposed - Pat Dembickjy.

Seconded – Lee Davis

## **Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising.

## **Acknowledgements**

Chair Julie Thackray, thanked everybody who has been involved in making the league a success. She also thanked Pat Dembickjy, Sharon Grimshaw and Rebecca Murdoch, who are stepping down from their roles on the league committee.

## **Presentation of Trophies**

Winners and runners-up were presented with either trophies, or netballs depending on their preference.

## **To receive League Accounts as of 31st August 2015**

Treasurer's report was posted on the website for all to read

Balance as of 31/8/2015: £23698.56

## **Amendments to the League Rules 2016-2017**

League Secretary, Elaine Busfield advised that all proposed amendments have been emailed to clubs, and posted on the website. There were no proposals received from clubs, all amendments are proposed by the committee.

## Amendments proposed by the League Committee (highlighted in blue)

1. c) If the League finds it necessary to cancel or alter the venue for one or more of the matches at an approved venue, it will ensure that any remaining teams at the original venue are able to obtain an umpire. If a match is cancelled due to circumstances beyond the League's control, the rearranged date will be mutually acceptable to both teams. However, should neither team agree, the committee will stipulate a date, time and venue on which the match **MUST** take place.

Split into 2 – new c) becomes first sentence from above without any change so will read:-

If the League finds it necessary to cancel or alter the venue for one or more of the matches at an approved venue, it will ensure that any remaining teams at the original venue are able to obtain an umpire.

- new d) will read:-

If a match is cancelled due to circumstances beyond the League's control, the fixture will be re-arranged to one of the reserve dates. However, should this not be possible, the re-arranged date will be mutually acceptable to both teams. Should neither team agree, the committee will stipulate a date, time and venue on which the match **MUST** take place.

4. b) Movement of players from a higher positioned team to a lower positioned one is not allowed except in exceptional circumstances (eg return from serious injury) and only by prior agreement with the WYCNA League Committee.

Reword

- b) Movement of players within a club from a higher positioned team to a lower positioned one is not allowed except in exceptional circumstances (eg return from serious injury) and only by prior agreement with the WYCNA League Committee.

7. b) The match fee is payable in advance. The first payment is due at the Pre-Season Meeting. Payment for further matches **must** always be sent with the results card of the previous match.

Reword

- b) The match fee is payable in advance. The first payment is due at the Pre-Season Meeting. Payment for further matches **must** always be received by the Friday following a fixture.

*Note:- This can either be with the results card or on-line.*

- c) Monies returned as 'unpaid' cheques will be deemed as non-payment of fees and therefore this will result in no points, or "goals for" being awarded for the match.

Reword

- c) Monies returned as unpaid cheques, or not received into the correct bank account, will be deemed as non-payment of fees and therefore this will result in no points, or "goals for" being awarded for the match.

- e) All payments are to be sent to the relevant Results Secretary made payable to '**WYCNA League Account**'.

*Note:- The team name in full as listed in the handbook, must be written on the back of the cheque, along with the date of the fixture on the results card posted with the cheque. Cash is not accepted in any circumstances and no cheque should be post-dated.*

## Reword

- e) i. All payments by cheque are to be sent to the relevant Results Secretary made payable to **'WYCNA League Account'**. The team name in full as listed in the handbook must be written on the back of the cheque, along with the date of the fixture on the results card posted with the cheque. Cash is not accepted in any circumstances and no cheque should be post-dated.
- ii. All on-line payments must include the team name in full as listed in the handbook as the Reference. Bank details are:- West Yorkshire County Netball Association League Account  
Sort Code 05-00-58                      Account number 64208921

21. Any team or individual who wishes to submit a complaint against any other team or individual, must do so in writing to any 2 current committee members within fourteen days of the alleged incident, **clearly stating that it is to be treated as an official complaint.**

## Add

If the committee deem the matter to be of a disciplinary nature then the matter will be referred direct to the county disciplinary secretary.

## New Rules

If a club has more than one team in the same division, the team with the lowest allocated team number is deemed to be the highest positioned team irrelevant of the team name.

Example:- Portland Sports A = Team No 39      Portland Sports B = Team No 33  
Portland Sports B will be deemed to be the highest positioned team

Any team or individual who wishes to submit an appeal against an infringement penalty or committee decision, must do so in writing to any 2 current committee members within 14 days of receipt of the committee decision.

*Once amendments have been made, renumbering will automatically take place to ensure correct "running" order.*

Vote taken and all proposals carried

## **Election of Committee Members**

There were no nominations received from clubs.

The committee nominated the following:

Hannah Pattinson - Super Results Secretary

Lisa Dowson – 1st Results Secretary

Kate McGuire – 4th Results Secretary

Katie Stanworth – 5th Results Secretary

Rebecca Murdoch – Ordinary Member

Accepted by all

## Any Other Business

Discussions from the floor included:-

- Could the number of teams in the premier division be increased? (currently there are 9 teams). The committee agreed to discuss the issue at the next meeting (28/6/16). It may not be possible depending on any withdrawals of teams etc, but any changes will be announced at the Pre-Season meeting.
- Some teams were not happy that umpires were letting teams know that they were unavailable at the last minute, ie Friday evening. Elaine explained that it would be ideal if the umpire who couldn't fulfil their commitment, could find a replacement, but accepted that this would be very difficult to enforce. Julie suggested that teams should inform the committee if there is a particular person who is frequently letting them down.
- To make it easier for teams to know which umpires are available, is it possible to publish who is umpiring at each venue? Suggestions made included using the website or Facebook. The committee agreed to discuss the issue at the next committee meeting, although there may be an issue of confidentiality.
- Why is the process of testing umpires, such a lengthy one? Individuals were recommended to contact Pat Hirlam (County Umpiring Secretary) about this issue.
- Why is an umpire limited to 2 matches? Elaine explained that umpiring is a physical and mentally demanding role, and this rule was in place to ensure that a high level of umpiring was maintained throughout.
- Urmila Mistry asked for a round of applause to thank the committee for their hard work.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.45pm

Date of AGM 2017 – 13th June 2017  
Pre-season meeting 23rd August 2016