

Frodsham & District Snooker League

Minutes of the AGM held Thursday 2nd September 2021 at Helsby Community Sports Club

The meeting was opened at 19:55pm by Graham Miller (GM), the agenda having been circulated by email beforehand. Extra copies of the agenda were available at the meeting.

GM welcomed everyone and explained that he had called the meeting due to the resignation of Brian Watkins (BW) through ill health and in an endeavour to restart the league post COVID.

1. Attendees and apologies for absence

The attendance list is attached to these minutes. Apologies for absence were received from Brian Watkins, Gary Warrilow, Pete Best and Tony Gidman.

2. Last AGM held 21st August 2019

GM reported that no minutes were available from BW from this meeting.

3. Resignation of the Secretary / Treasurer Brian Watkins after 40+ years of service.

GM reported that Brian had stood down last Christmas and the meeting congratulated him and expressed their thanks for his long service to the league. Howard Davison proposed that the league have a collection to possibly enable Brian and Gill to go out for a meal or perhaps have a cup engraved in his name.

ACTION: COMMITTEE

4. Finances

GM presented a Statement of Accounts which he had received from BW on 21/8/21. It showed:

- a. A bank balance of £1202.60
- b. Team payments and credits where for the 2019-20 season:
 - i. 4 teams had paid in full
 - ii. 9 cheques were out of date and not presented
 - iii. 5 teams in lockdown and didn't pay the remainder

ACTION: SECRETARY /
TREASURER

5. Election of Officers

GM explained that recent previous AGM minutes didn't always record the holders of official positions and the meeting agreed to confirm/appoint all positions on a majority, one team/one vote basis.

The results were as follows:

President: Graham White

Chairman: Howard Davison and Mark Gilson were nominated and Howard prevailed by a 7:5 majority.

Secretary / Treasurer: Graham Miller was newly appointed to this position.

Committee: Existing Committee members Dave Padley, Tommy Hatton and Mark Gilson were confirmed and new members Pete Best and Mike Ellison were welcomed onto the Committee.

6. League start, teams, divisions & knock outs.

At this point, the meeting agreed to consider the proposal received from Gary Joyce (GJ) and seconded by Mark Gilson (MG) which read as follows:

I propose that the remaining league matches and all competitions from the aborted 2019-20 season are played to completion before a new season starts.

In order to accommodate these matches, I propose that the 2021-22 season consists of one home and one away match only against each other team.

Just prior to voting on this proposal, an amendment was received from Mike Ellison/Ron Thompson to award the league to Run Cons B. Given the additional implications which were discussed, there was no support for this amendment and it was not carried.

The GJ/MG proposal was voted on and carried by a majority of 9:3.

With regard to teams, GM reported that Manley B would be withdrawing from the league with immediate effect.

It was therefore agreed that:

- a. In line with current rules, the results of Manley B will be expunged from the records and the 1st Division table recalculated accordingly.
- b. A fixed period would be set for the outstanding matches from the 2019-20 season to be played within by mutual agreement of both team captains.
- c. Dates would be fixed for the two team cup finals.
- d. It was agreed that in order to cater for b. above, the new season should consist of one home and one away match per team.
- e. Note: The league now consists of 17 teams therefore in line with the current rules, the 1st division shall have 8 teams (even number) and the 2nd division shall have 9 teams.

ACTION: SECRETARY

7. Fixtures & results reporting

GM proposed, and the meeting agreed, to continue using the 'UK League Snooker' website for recording of fixtures and results. Results sheets can be sent by email or Whats App to the secretary for uploading to the web.

ACTION: ALL CAPTAINS

8. League rules

GM reported that the latest rules that he had were dated September 2019 and needed to be reviewed and brought up to date. It was agreed that GM would re-write and where possible simplify the rules for review by the Committee.

ACTION: SECRETARY /
COMMITTEE

9. Any other business

GM was asked to pass on best wishes to Ian Hobson who was retiring as captain of Helsby Sports E and being replaced by Alan Lee.

ACTION: SECRETARY

The meeting closed at 21:05.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G Miller', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Graham Miller

Secretary / Treasurer

