

Eastern Area AGM 24th March 2019

Minutes

Clubs Attending

Burwell, Colchester, Cambridge University, Dominic King, Felixstowe, Goshindo, Happidojo Marham, Icen, Ipswich, Kumo, Littleport, Melbourn, Norwich Premier, Saffron Walden, Saxmundham, Sleeping tigers, Thomas Deacon and Wymondham

Apologies from

Graham Thacker Emma Turner

Also Attending

Jo Tippett , Zoe Camp, Vicky Moss, Stuart Appleby, Dylan Anderson, Colin McCullum, Benjamin Crompton, Jeffrey Burke, Christopher Meeks, Jemma Dearden, Peter Esposito, Howard Oates, Angie Bowles, John Marsh, Ian Caldwell, Adam Bostanci, Hamish Cameron, Ian Castro, Rhian Harris, Greg Viney and Ray Taylor

Minutes Accepted

Circulated earlier

Proposed by John Marsh, seconded by Michelle Camp.

Matters arising

Grant obtained got for new mats Thank you given to Ros Edwards for doing this

Chairs Report

Sent out earlier Chair apologised for omitting Ryan King from her report

Secretary's report

Sent out earlier

Treasurer's report

Balance Sheet agreed

Proposed by John Marsh Seconded by Ian Caldwell

Treasurer's report for year ended 31st December 2018

The annual turnover this year, compared to the previous year, was much higher. This was because the Area engaged in more activities for its players.

The Area invested in judo mats, to the value of £11 130 to enable it to put on competitions with four mat areas. The cost of these was partially met by a lottery grant of £7420 which was negotiated by the committee. Ros Edwards took the lead in securing the funding.

The remainder of the expenditure on equipment represents further investment in the IT equipment for running events.

The Area organised a trip to France and to Holland for the up-and-coming players. The cost of the latter was partially met by a grant from the BJA trust of £2000. Note that the heading 'player support' has been subsumed into the activities and expenses of the squad.

The membership rebates for the year were slightly inflated because there was a backlog of payments due to us from the BJA from the previous financial year, not due to a massive increase in membership!

The miscellaneous expenses figure includes £510 paid in Dan grade levies to the BJA and the remainder is the cost of the website.

The expenses figure is high due to the trips to France and Holland, and the large area events that were staged during the year. We are indebted to the officials who enable our events to take place. Not only do they perform their roles with dedication, but many of them make substantial donations to the area by waiving some of their expenses. In the accounting year ended December 2018 these donations amounted to £682.

Jane Blunt

Area Treasurer.

Director of Examiners report

Sent out earlier

Refereeing rep report

Sent out earlier

Election of Chair

Denise Oates returned unopposed

Election of committee members

Only 3 nomination forms were received by the secretary

So therefore Michelle Camp Jo Tippet and Ray Taylor were re elected

Committee to talk to Mark Waterhouse regarding the last position

Andrew Gadsby has agreed to be co-opted on to the committee

Open Forum

Question asked about Dan gradings held in clubs. Dave Horton-Jones explained that clubs needed the permission of the Director of Examiners together with the area committee approval. Currently, Littleport hold one every year in November

Area Secretary asked if anybody had any thoughts for future revalidation events.

Area Secretary informed the meeting that BJA circulated information with recommendation that all Areas become Limited Liability Partnerships but the Area Committee rejected the proposals. The Area committee thought it better to adjust the area constitution if required

Meeting closed at 1.25

Secretary will send notification of date of 2020 AGM in due course

Signed

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