

Minutes of AGM held on Tue 25th June 2024

This meeting took place in the hall at Bancroft's Prep school.

Attendees: Jon Williams, Matthew Balchin, John Hasselgren, Paul Still, Beryl Sharma, Ajay Pamneja, Stephen Young, Mel Knight, Duncan Abbot, Colin Wreyford, Deepa Menger, Jacinta Balchin. A late arrival was the mother of a Cub, whose name was not recorded.

Apologies for Absence: None

It was noted that Yvonne Farquharson has left the school and the email of the new head assistant was noted, Amanda Crowley.

John began by checking that everyone had read the minutes of the last AGM and that they were a true and accurate account of the events, to which Paul responded by noting that the minutes for the last AGM did not mention the appointment of the Independent Examiner for the Annual Accounts was Steve Fox, who has examined the accounts for the last three years and indicated that he would be happy to inspect them again. Furthermore, all the Trustees were in agreement with his appointment. This was noted and the minutes for the last AGM have been updated.

John then raised the matter of the constitution and the re-election of the trustees. John proposed to adopt in the constitution that all trustees should be elected and put this to a vote, to which it was approved by all.

John then gave his annual report and congratulated all the leaders on giving up their time, their hard work and another successful year.

Paul Still gave the Treasurer's report and noted that the bank account was still in the process of being moved to Barclay's. All present approved the Treasurer's report and approved the appointment of Steve Fox as the independent examiner.

Stephen Young presented the Group Scout Leader report and also expressed his thanks to the leaders and wider team for all their efforts. The main point to note is that there is a shortage of helpers and leaders in the cubs, and especially need the help of more parents. However, the conclusion is that the group is meeting its charitable commitments and delivering quality scouting.

Matthew's report noted that the numbers were lower on the recent summer camp because of the removal of the older year group.

Beryl's report yielded no questions.

The trustees were then re-elected: John Hasselgren as the Chairman, Jonathan Williams as the Secretary, Paul Still as the Treasurer. These were elected for the next three year period.

Stephen Young continues, *ex Officio*, as the Group Scout Leader.

Trustees are John Hasselgren, Jon Williams, Paul Still, Mel Knight, Stephen Young, Duncan Abbot, Beryl Sharma, Matthew Balchin, Ajay Pamneja.

Duncan continues as the Bancroft's School representative.

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The only matter raised was a question of concern by Jacinta Balchin over an apparent trend of low numbers. Colin mentioned that the numbers are not as high as pre-Covid but that we shouldn't be worried.

Jonathan Williams,
Group Secretary.

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