

**Minutes of the General Committee held on Monday 10th October 2022 at 7pm at the Club and via Zoom**

**Present:** Andrew Jackson, Maureen Bush, Steve Gray, David Figgis, Mike Oliver,

Dickie Ledger, Philippa Bloice, & Jo Wyles**.**

**Via Zoom:** Robert Govier, Terry Davis & Kelvin Tolson**.**

**1 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Fef Griffin.

**2 Minutes of previous meeting 8th August 2022**

The minutes were unanimously approved.

**3 Matters Arising from Previous meeting:**

**a. Recruitment of new Treasurer**

AJ advised the GC that the club would like to see a new treasurer in place for the 2023 AGM. MB confirmed that she would be able to manage the club bookkeeping and accounts until a new treasurer was appointed. Ongoing

**b. Installation of Movement sensors in Upper Rigdens shed**

MO confirmed that this was in progress, and quotes were being obtained.

Complete.

**c. Changing room upgrades**

AJ confirmed that this would be rolled into the Club Development Plan that was being written. Complete

**d. Club Development Plan**

The first meeting of the Club Development planning group was scheduled to take place on the 22/10/22. Action: AJ

**e. MB meeting with AJ, SG and Sally Gostelow to review any difficulties,**

**lessons learnt, etc over the 2022 season**

MB to schedule meeting Action: MB

**f. Review of membership categories**

It was agreed that a proposal for the new categories would be put forward for consideration at the next GC. Action: AJ

**g. Acquisition of two new dinghies**

Complete.

**h. Wednesday evening sailing to include course for improvers Item**

To be integrated into next seasons sailing programme. Action: Sailing Committee.

**i. Social media policy upload to website**

Complete.

**4 WOFC Update –** TD reported that negotiations are continuing.

**5 Court Case ex-member final statement –** AJ reported that he had received a lengthy email from the ex-member who had unsuccessfully brought a County Court Claim against the Club earlier in the year. It repeated the serious allegations he had previously made against another member. As these allegations had never been substantiated and in view of the trouble and damage to the Club they had caused, it was resolved that the ex- member should be advised that the Club will not ever consider reinstating him as a member and he would not be admitted to the Club as a visitor. Maureen to advise the ex-member accordingly and to confirm that the Club was not prepared to enter into any further correspondence.

**6 Office and membership report –** MB reported membership renewals were coming in and the stats looked healthy, these to be reviewed at the next meeting. Action: MB

It was agreed unanimously to pay back the bank loan of £120,000 taken out for legal costs. If required, loans pledged by members could be used for any future legal expenses. Action MB

MB coping with club finances with the help of Chris Jarratt a club member.

2021-22 account information to be with accountants later this month.

The RYA have advised the Trustees of new legislation.

**7 Sailing Report** – received from SG.

a) The club racing analysis showed a similar turn out to last year.

b) GC gave thanks to DF for the invaluable loan of his tractor.

c) 2023 Sailing programme first draft completed.

d) Prize giving moved to November 20th after racing.

**8 House Report –** received from MO.

No major expenses.

Long term the outside canopy to be assessed.

**9 Bar, Catering & Social Report –** presented by DL

Bar systems changed and completed.

Kelly to organise Friday night suppers starting in November. Action Kelly

Venue to be researched for dinner dance and prizegiving next autumn. Action PB

**10 Training report** – received from JW

JW reported successful instructor development within the club.

KSA training day 29th October.

Topper Traveller weekend was very successful with the Topper nationals next year.

**Date of Next Meeting**

Monday 14th November 7pm at the Club via Teams or Zoom

The Meeting closed at 7.45pm

**Chairman……………………………………………….**