

Birmingham Swifts LGBT Runners
AGM Minutes – 06th February 2022
The Fox – 16:00-17:00

Committee present:

Holly – Chair – (HMM)
Alexander – Secretary – (AB)
Ian – Treasurer – (IB)
David – Race Secretary (DW)
Luke – Inclusion and Welfare Secretary (LTD)
Daniel – Media Secretary (DB)

AGENDA

- Welcome. (Chair)
- Apologies and Proxies. (Secretary)
- Committee Reports.
- Motion 1: Setting the membership fee – confirmation that it will remain free for 2022/2023. This is required to be reviewed each year. (Proposed by the committee, led by Chair)
- Motion 2: Reviewing the number of members needed to call an EGM – confirmation that it will remain unchanged for 2022/2023 (currently this is by the request of the committee or on the receipt of request from at least five members). This is required to be reviewed each year. (Proposed by the committee, led by the Chair)
- Committee resigns. Election of new committee begins.
 - Candidates for non-contested roles are accepted unless a formal objection is lodged.
- Non-member led election of committee Chair.
 - (Led by Lee, Club Secretary of Kings Heath Running Club)
Standing for election as Chair: Ian Bush
- Chair led election of additional committee members.
 - *Standing for re-election as Club Secretary: Alexander Brown*
 - *Standing for election as Treasurer: Dean West*
 - *Standing for election as Treasurer: Richard Wilkes*
 - *Standing for election as Race Secretary: Kristian Gath*
 - *Standing for election as Inclusion and Welfare Officer: TP*
 - *Standing for election as Media Secretary: Darren Turner*
- New committee formed.
- Close of meeting.

MINUTES

- **Welcome.** (Chair)
 - Meeting was opened as planned.

- **Apologies and Proxies.** (Secretary)
 - 91 active members at open of meeting.
 - 42 members present (including proxy votes).
 - Quorum declared.
- **Committee Reports.**

Secretary:

At the time of writing this report, the membership was at 86. [This became 91 by the meeting start.] This is an increase over last year (82), however it is important to remember that the previous AGM happened in the middle of a lockdown so it's difficult to make a direct comparison of numbers.

There are currently 28 EA affiliated members and a further 9 paid club members (without EA affiliation), making a total of 37 paid members. At the previous AGM there were 32 EA affiliated members, and the other membership type was not in place. This is also an increase over last year, and gives evidence that the option of contributing to the club without having to include EA membership has been a good thing for the club.

Treasurer:

Birmingham Swifts Treasurer's Report AGM Feb 2022
Income and Expenditure (cash basis)

| | 2021/22 | 2020/21 | 2021/22 Expenditure Notes |
|--|-------------------|-----------------|---|
| Opening cash balance: (as per 2021 AGM at 01/02/21) | 2593.69 | 1851.51 | (consisting of £2593.69 HSBC+£0 Paypal) |
| | £ | £ | |
| Donations | 180.49 | 92.40 | [£152.99 easyfundraising; £27.5 direct] |
| Bank errors | 0.00 | 55.81 | |
| Grants | 841.32 | 0.00 | [£300 Lottery][£541.32 IFR Brooks] |
| Merchandise Sales: | | | |
| - commission | 16.66 | 62.08 | [£16.66 merch sales commission] |
| - snoods | 3.00 | 127.00 | [1 snood] |
| - vests | 120.00 | 85.00 | [6 vests] |
| | 139.66 | 274.08 | |
| Social events: | | | |
| -touchmybrum | (20.59) | 0.00 | [touchmybrum] |
| -xmas party & raffle | 357.72 | 0.00 | [59.18 gifts][£416.90 raffle takings] |
| | 337.13 | 0.00 | |
| Accreditation: | | | |
| - Social Member Fees | 112.50 | - | [9 Social members] |
| - EA Member Fees | 770.00 | 880.00 | [28 affiliated members] |
| - EA Registration Costs | (570.00) | (630.00) | [EA £150+28*£15] |
| | 312.50 | 250.00 | |
| Virtual Run | | | |
| - Income | 0.00 | 1,502.98 | |
| - Costs | 0.00 | (549.80) | |
| - Charity donation | 0.00 | (474.62) | |
| | 0.00 | 478.56 | |
| TOTAL INCOME | 1,811.10 | 1,150.85 | |
| Marketing & Website | (107.77) | (153.38) | [£25.07 emails][£45.48 website][£18.22 IFR Reg][£19 surveymonkey] [£63.71 10 x run leader tee shirts][£27.18 pa&mic][£14.39 agm other][£45.47 starting out medias x 30][£20.40 sumup card reader] [£15 halloween & parkrun takeover][£141.27 swiftember medals] [£26.89 xmas party trophies] |
| Stocks & supplies | (354.31) | (243.01) | |
| Training | (832.00) | (10.00) | [2xLJRF@£140pp][2xCOACH@£255pp][£42 run leader meetings] |
| Banking Fees | (21.10) | (2.28) | [£3.85 paypal][£17.25 hsbc] |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURE | (1,315.18) | (408.67) | |
| INCOME LESS EXPENDITURE | 495.92 | 742.18 | |
| Closing position: (as per 29 Sep 2021) | 3,089.61 | 2,593.69 | |
| Consisting of: | | | |
| HSBC: | 3,102.93 | 2,593.69 | As at 04/02/2022 |
| Paypal | 6.66 | 0.00 | As at 04/02/2022 |
| Sumup | 26.50 | 0.00 | As at 04/02/2022 |
| Creditors | (46.48) | 0.00 | [£1 sumup test + £45.48 website?] |
| | 3,089.61 | 2,593.69 | |

Plus we still have stock of 21 official running vests + snoods + numerous flags + training supplies

- Motion 1: Setting the membership fee – confirmation that it will remain free for 2022/2023.** (Proposed by the committee, led by Chair)

AB: Previous discussions have voiced support for this remaining free on the grounds that it is a community running club and being free supports the ideals of being inclusive and accessible. Based on the treasurer report the club is not in immediate need to generate income.

Comments from the floor: Cost of living is going up this year and anything that can remain free is good for the community. It was always a founding intention that at least a base level of membership would be free as part of ongoing inclusivity.

Motion carried overwhelmingly.

Membership remains free.

- Motion 2: Reviewing the number of members needed to call an EGM – confirmation that it will remain unchanged for 2022/2023.** (Proposed by the committee, led by the Chair)

No discussion

Motion carried overwhelmingly.

Numbers needed to call an EGM remains unchanged.

- Discussion of whether there was a need/desire to see development of the Inclusion and Welfare role within the Swifts.** This was not a formal motion, just a chance for the membership to voice their thoughts and feelings ahead of a new year.

Comments from the floor: (1) If there is another committee role it should be a maximum of one more. (2) If there are multiple W&I on committee this could cause an imbalance, there are other roles that could support this without being on committee. (3) Note from outgoing W&I that this isn't a counsellor or therapist role, it should remain a signpost and supportive position. (4) Multiple suggestions of having a sub-committee, e.g., headed by the elected W&I who they report to.

- Committee resigns. Election of new committee began.**

No formal objections were lodged.

Elected as Chair: Ian Bush

Re-elected as Club Secretary: Alexander Brown

Elected as Race Secretary: Kristian Gath

Elected as Inclusion and Welfare Officer: TP

Elected as Media Secretary: Darren Turner

- Chair opened anonymous paper ballot for election of Treasurer.** Facilitated and counted by non-member Lee, Club Secretary of Kings Heath Running Club.

Each candidate was given the option to speak prior to voting.

Elected as Treasurer: Dean West

- New committee formed.**
- Close of meeting**