

The Nottinghamshire, Lincolnshire & Derbyshire RFU Society of Referees



Minutes of the 13th Annual General Meeting held at Mansfield Rugby Club on April 26th 2016

1. The meeting was quorate there being 25 members present.

Paul Carroll, Nick Mudd, Dave Miller, Steve Bradford, Andrew Ashwell, John Bradwell, Nigel Baxter, Richard Foulds, Rob Jackson, Richard Roper, Steve Whiteside, Russ Boyack, Bill Burton, Curtis Coe, Alan Hawkes, Steve Williams, Richard Harding, Chris Johnson, Alan Hawkes, Brian Wilkins, Gary Platts, Chris Mulroy, Mike Mulroy, Craig Lord, John Schofield

Apologies received from:

Trevor Sharpe, David Robertson, Fred Pell, Rex Walker, Dave Beaumont, William Gagie, Simon Riley, Rupert Ruperelia, Dave Trubee, Rob Linthwaite, Pat Costello, James Franco, John Edwards, Dennis Mahoney, Ben Scott, Glenn Longden, Paul Teager, Mat Coultas, Howard Bunting, Graeme Gunn, Brian Inglis

Minutes:

The minutes of the 12th A.G.M. were accepted as a true reflection of the meeting

Proposed: Chris Johnson **Seconded:** Steve Whiteside - unanimous

2. Reports from the Committee:

Written reports were distributed to the membership electronically in advance of the meeting. The meeting accepted the reports. The relevant Committee Member was prepared to answer questions.

3. To receive a financial report:

The financial statement for 2014/2015 was accepted as a true record.

Proposed: Steve Whiteside **Seconded:** Curtis Coe - unanimous

4. The election of the officers of the Society:

President: D. Miller

Secretary: T. Sharpe

Treasurer: N. Mudd

5. The election of the Committee members of the Society:

Training Officer: W. Burton

Appointments Secretary: S. Whiteside

Information Officer: P. Carroll

Active Referee Representative: A. Ashwell

Recruitment and Retention Officer: C. Coe

6. A motion tabled to the AGM as follows

In order to satisfy the requirements of the Financial Services Authority the membership were asked to endorse the following;

In order to prevent the Society from incurring the costs of a full professional audit an accountants report will be produced for the financial year ending 31st August 2016 and 31st August 2017.

Unanimously agreed

7. Auditors as recommended by the Treasurer:

Peter Zealand, AAM Advisory, Leeds

Unanimously agreed

8. Presentations

A presentation was made to John Bradwell following his 10-year tenure as Chair of Appointments

A presentation was made to Steve Bradford for his 24-year tenure as Society Training Officer.

There then was a very informative presentation to the membership by Michael Patz, RFU National Match Official Development Manager on progress with the Refereeing Blueprint.

This was very well received, bringing those present up to date with current initiatives in officiating. There followed a short question and answer session on the presentation and the Blueprint.

Following this presentation, the Membership was asked to vote on NLDRFURS becoming a voting member of the RFU, as recommended in the Refereeing Blueprint (Recommendation 9 thereof).

Following further questions from members, a vote was taken.

It was unanimously agreed that NLDRFURS should seek to become a voting member of the RFU.

9. There being no other relevant issues to the AGM the meeting closed at 8.45pm